Motivation after eXercise in Chronic Kidney Disease

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Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Kidney disease is a long-term condition where the kidneys are no longer able to work properly. It is increasingly common, affecting around 8% of the population. Symptoms include muscle weakness and extreme tiredness and sufferers can be more at risk of developing heart disease. Research has shown that exercise can benefit many of these complications linked to chronic kidney disease but kidney patients tend to lead very inactive lifestyles. People with other chronic conditions have found supervised exercise class programmes beneficial; however without further support after completing these programmes, many return to a more inactive lifestyle. A motivational session with support telephone calls may help patients to feel more confident and to develop the skills they need to continue exercising at home or in the community.

Who can participate?

Adults aged 18 and over with a chronic kidney disease and living in the Leicestershire area who have recently completed the Exercise Training in Chronic Kidney Disease Study (ExTra CKD).

What does the study involve?

Participants are randomly allocated to one of two groups, a motivational group or a normal care group. All patients from both groups undergo tests to measure their fitness and current health including walking tests, sit to stand tests, a heart function test, ultra sound scans of the leg muscle, a blood test and some questionnaires. Participants will also be asked to wear a small wrist device for one week at a time to measure their level of physical activity. In addition, the motivational group have a face to face session to help them set exercise goals and feel more confident and motivated to exercise away from the hospital. These patients will also receive telephone counselling calls in the weeks after completing the exercise programme to see how they are getting on. The results will tell us if a motivational intervention can help patients to maintain their health and fitness levels that they developed in the exercise classes even when this programme comes to an end. This type of study has not been done with CKD patients who are not receiving dialysis in the UK, so we are keen to understand in more depth their thoughts and attitudes towards the exercise classes and the motivational session therefore we will be conducting interviews with some of the patient.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

There are no direct benefits of taking part in this study, although we hope that the participants will become more confident and develop the skills required to continue exercising after taking part in the exercise classes. Ultimately, taking part in the study will help to provide better care for kidney patients in the future by making sure that patients get the correct support after taking part in any exercise rehabilitation programme. Any clinically important results will be passed on to the patients own GP (doctor). As with all physical activity, there is a very small risk of accident or injury but all exercise assessments will be supervised by specialist research staff and will take place on hospital premises with resuscitation equipment available and trained staff on hand. Taking blood samples from the arm may cause slight pain or bruising afterwards.

Where is the study run from?

The study will be run at Leicester General Hospital, UK. Ultrasound scans will be done at the Glenfield Hospital in Leicester, UK.

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? June 2014 to May 2019

Who is funding the study? Leicester Kidney Care Appeal (UK)

Who is the main contact for the study? Dr Alice Smith Aa50@le.ac.uk

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Protocol serial number

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Study information

Scientific Title

Motivation after Exercise in Chronic Kidney Disease: randomised feasibility study

Acronym

MaX CKD

Study objectives

This study is designed to follow on directly from a 12 week course of thrice-weekly supervised exercise classes based largely on cardiac rehabilitation. The sustainability of healthier lifestyle behaviours after the rehabilitation period ends is often poor and patients may not develop the required confidence and skills needed to continue exercising either at home or in the community.

We hypothesise that continued support via a motivational intervention after the rehabilitation programme will enhance self-confidence and self-management skills, helping patients to sustain their exercise behaviours more so than in control group who will receive no intervention.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

NRES Committee East Midlands Leicester, 24/04/201, ref. 14/EM/0135

Study design

Randomised feasibility study

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Quality of life

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Chronic Kidney Disease

Interventions

Participants will be randomised to normal clinical care or a motivational intervention. The motivational intervention will be a face to face session lasting approximately 45 minutes. The session will utilise a number of behavioural change techniques such as motivational interviewing, goal setting and self-monitoring. These patients will be followed up with supportive telephone calls at 2, 4 and 9 weeks and will have an approximately 10 minute face to face trouble shoot meeting at 6 weeks.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

Endurance Shuttle Walk Test (ESWT) a measure of physical capacity or endurance fitness. This will be measured at 6 and 12 weeks.

Key secondary outcome(s))

- 1. Quadriceps muscle size: 3D Ultrasonography. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 2. Physical function: Incremental shuttle walk test; sit to stand tests. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks.
- 3. Daily physical activity: 7 day accelerometry. Measured at 5 weeks and 11 weeks
- 4. Body composition: Weight, height, waist circumference. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 5. Arterial stiffness: Pulse wave velocity. Measured at baseline, 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 6. Clinical parameters: Extracted from medical records. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 7. Plasma markers of inflammation and oxidative stress, venous blood sample. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 8. Quality of Life: SF36 and EQ5D questionnaires. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 9. Symptom perception: Chronic Kidney Disease Symptom Score. Measured at 6 weeks and 12 weeks
- 10. Physical Activity habits and attitudes: Leicester Kidney Patient Physical Activity Questionnaire (comprising Duke Activity Status Index; GP Physical Activity Questionnaire; Leisure Time Exercise Questionnaire; Stage of Change Questionnaire; Self Efficacy Questionnaire). Measured at 6 weeks, and 12 weeks
- 11. Fatigue: FACIT-Fatigue Questionnaire & Visual Analogue Scale. Measured at baseline, 6 weeks, and 12 weeks
- 12. Appetite: Visual Analogue Scale. Measured at baseline, 6 weeks, 12 weeks, 18 weeks
- 13. Health care usage: measured weekly
- 14. Self-reported physical activity and intensity: measured daily
- 15: Patient satisfaction of intervention: measured at 12 weeks.
- 16: Patient experiences of exercise intervention: explored during first 6 weeks
- 17: Patient experiences of motivational intervention: explored at 12 weeks.

Completion date

31/05/2019

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Established chronic kidney disease (Stages 3b-5)
- 2. Completed the ExTra CKD study protocol

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Age < 18 years
- 2. Unfit for exercise due to physical impairment or significant co-morbidity (unstable hypertension, potentially lethal arrhythmia, myocardial infarction within previous 6 months, unstable angina, active liver disease, uncontrolled diabetes mellitus (HbA1c >9%), advanced cerebral or peripheral vascular disease)
- 3. Insufficient command of English to give informed consent or comply with the testing and training protocol. If the results indicate that the intervention is useful, future larger studies will include provision for those whose first language is not English.

Date of first enrolment 25/06/2014

Date of final enrolment 16/08/2017

Locations

Countries of recruitment United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre
UoL Academic Unit
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Sponsor information

Organisation

University Hospitals Leicester (UK)

ROR

https://ror.org/02fha3693

Funder(s)

Funder type Charity

Funder Name

Leicester Kidney Care Appeal (UK) - partially funded

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
HRA research summary			28/06/2023	No	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes