The development and feasibility of an intervention to reassure patients about test results in rapid access chest pain clinic

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Study objectives

The study has two parts:

- 1. In the first part (the development phase), an intervention will be developed with input from experts, patients and clinic staff. The intervention will be a brief (10 15 mins) face-to-face discussion delivered by a nurse to patients attending rapid access chest pain clinic (RACPC) that will explain to the patients the tests they are going to undergo in RACPC, the possible test results they may get, and what the possible treatments may be for the different test results. This discussion will take place before the patients undergo their test in RACPC and the aim of the intervention is to increase patients reassurance with their test results and ensuing treatment. A focus group of ten previous RACPC patients will be setup to gain their views on the draft intervention. The final draft intervention will be tested in ten patients in RACPC before being finalised.
- 2. (The pilot trial phase) we will undertake a pilot randomised controlled trial (RCT) with 120 patients in RACPC. The two-arm study will compare the intervention (face-to-face discussion developed in the first part of the study) PLUS usual care (a written leaflet giving the same information tests that may be undertaken in RACPC, results and potential ensuing treatments) VERSUS usual care alone. The pilot RCT will inform the design of a future multicentre trial.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

First MREC approval date 15/12/2010, ref: 10/H1014/82

Study design

Randomised, interventional, observational qualitative trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Cardiovascular disease

Interventions

- 1. Nurse-facilitated intervention: a brief (10 15 mins) face-to-face discussion delivered by a nurse to patients attending rapid access chest pain clinic (RACPC) that will explain to the patients the tests they are going to undergo in RACPC, the possible test results they may get, and what the possible treatments may be.
- 2. Follow up length: 6 month(s)
- 3. Study entry: single randomisation only

In the first stage of the study, ten participants will be recruited for the focus group and ten participants will be recruited for testing each draft of the intervention. For the pilot RCT, we propose to recruit 120 participants (60 per group).

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

- 1. Patient reported reassurance
- 2. Timepoint(s): 1 month and six months

Key secondary outcome(s))

No secondary outcome measures

Completion date

30/06/2012

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Applies to the developmental phase and the pilot study:

- 1. All patients attending RACPC for assessment of new-onset, non-urgent chest pain
- 2. Able to read written English
- 3. Able to comprehend spoken English
- 4. Aged 18 years and over
- 5. Able and willing to give informed consent
- 6. Target gender: male & female
- 7. Lower age limit 18 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

Pilot study only:

- 1. Previously diagnosed cardiac pathology
- 2. No symptoms of chest pain
- 3. Undertaking the stress test as part of a pre-surgical medical examination
- 4. Pregnant
- 5. Currently involved in a research study
- 6. Severe documented psychiatric disorder (psychosis/bipolar disorder)
- 7. Life threatening co-morbidities

Date of first enrolment

30/03/2011

Date of final enrolment

30/06/2012

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre Coventry University

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Sponsor information

Organisation

University of York (UK)

ROR

https://ror.org/04m01e293

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

NIHR Research for Patient Benefit Programme (UK)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summaryNot provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created Date a	ndded Peer reviewed	? Patient-facing?
Results article	results	04/10/2014	Yes	No
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025 11/11,	/2025 No	Yes