Self-Management of Asthma Supported by Hospitals, Information and communication technology, Nurses and General practitioners (SMASHING in adults)

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09/01/2006		☐ Protocol		
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan		
09/01/2006	Completed	[X] Results		
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

SMASHING in adults

Study objectives

A self-management programme guided by doctors and a specialist asthma nurse through information and communication technology will improve asthma related quality of life in a cost-effective way.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Other

Study type(s)

Quality of life

Participant information sheet

Not available in web format, please use the contact details below to request a patient information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Asthma

Interventions

A 12-month intervention period where the patients receive either usual care or ICT-supported care guided by a specialised asthma nurse and doctor.

Care strategies:

1. Usual care

According to the Dutch GP guidelines, patients are invited to visit their general practitioner every 3 months in order to titrate medication to the lowest level that is needed to maintain control. This frequency can be lowered to 1-2 visits per year once control of asthma has been achieved.

Thirty percent of general practices have nurse practitioners providing self-management education. Patients are referred to a chest physician if sufficient control is not achieved within 3 months. Exacerbations of asthma are treated by either chest physician and general practitioner.

- 1. Advise to visit to general practitioner or specialist to assess present situation
- 2. Review medication devices technique and adherence
- 3. Issue and explain paper asthma action plan, monitoring of lung function with Piko-1 spirometer
- 4. Plan next doctor visits as needed
- 2. ICT-supported care
- 1. Weekly monitoring of asthma control questionnaire (ACQ) and lung function through webpages and/or SMS with feedback
- 2. At least 6 weeks daily monitoring of lung function and symptoms with electronic feedback through webpages and/or SMS
- 3. Asthma self-management education in small groups (2x) by trained asthma specialist nurse (see below):
- i. Discussion of ACQ data in order to assess present situation and electronic asthma action plan
- ii. Review medication devices technique and adherence
- iii. Plan next doctor visits as needed
- 4. Virtual consulting room with asthma nurse via private messaging
- 5. Social support within a private chatbox and/or internet support group
- 6. Automated sending of reminders via email and/or SMS
- 7. Monitoring asthma control by lung function and ACQ with electronic data processing and feedback through computer via webpages with graphical presentation of data for patient and nurse

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome measure

- 1. Asthma related quality of life
- 2. Measurement instrument: asthma quality of life questionnaire (AQLQ)
- 3. Evaluation at baseline, after 3 months and after 12 months

Secondary outcome measures

- 1. Asthma control
- 2. Symptom free days
- 3. Exacerbations
- 4. Health care utilisation
- 5. Absence of work/school
- 6. Lung function
- 7. Exhaled nitric oxide

- 8. Medication use
- 9. Side effects

Overall study start date

01/01/2006

Completion date

01/03/2008

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. 250 patients with mild persistent to moderate asthma (prevalent cases)
- 2. Age 18-50 years
- 3. Doctor's diagnosis of asthma
- 4. Asthma severity step 2-3, patients who need inhaled corticosteroids as controller medication (at least 3 months in the past year)
- 5. PC with internet connection available
- 6. Able to communicate in the Dutch language

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 Years

Upper age limit

50 Years

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

250

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Patients with intermittent asthma
- 2. Patients with severe asthma
- 3. Use of oral glucocorticosteroids as controller medication
- 4. Serious co-morbidity interfering with asthma or treatment of asthma
- 5. No PC or no internet connection
- 6. Not able to communicate in the Dutch language

Date of first enrolment

01/01/2006

Date of final enrolment

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

Study participating centre
Leiden University Medical Center
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Sponsor information

Organisation

Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC) (Netherlands)

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Sponsor type

Not defined

ROR

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Funder(s)

Funder type

Research council

Funder Name

Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw)

Alternative Name(s)

Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development

Funding Body Type

Private sector organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Other non-profit organizations

Location

Netherlands

Funder Name

Netherlands Asthma Foundation

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

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?
Results article	results	21/07/2009		Yes	No
Results article	results	10/06/2010		Yes	No
Results article	results	01/06/2011		Yes	No
Results article	results	12/09/2013		Yes	No