The effect of cost information on patient outcomes

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
16/06/2010	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
30/07/2010	Completed	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
18/04/2017	Musculoskeletal Diseases	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Additional identifiers

EudraCT/CTIS number

IRAS number

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Secondary identifying numbers

Study information

Scientific Title

The effect of cost information on patient outcomes: a randomised controlled trial

Acronym

COST

Study objectives

- 1. When patients are made aware of the financial cost of a given healthcare intervention they will be more satisfied with their care, and the treatment will have a greater positive impact on their well-being
- 2. The higher that the patient believes the cost of the treatment is, the greater the satisfaction and well-being derived from the intervention will be
- 3. The provision of cost information will also have an effect on clinical outcome (price/placebo effect)

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Ealing and West London Research Ethics Service, 29/12/2009, ref: 09/H0710/52

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Hospital

Study type(s)

Other

Participant information sheet

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

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Shoulder pain, behavioural economics

Interventions

The trial will involve randomisation of patients to three groups. Initially all participants complete the measures, as well as providing information regarding how much they think the treatment will cost. Information will then be given to participants depending on their randomisation.

- 1. Group one will have no information regarding the cost of treatment, simply information regarding the procedure
- 2. Group two will receive the information regarding the cost of the surgery according to the standardised NHS national tariff, as well as the procedure information
- 3. Group three will receive the cost of the information specific to the study site, which is a considerably higher cost, as well as the procedure information

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome measure

- 1. Health state (EQ5D)
- 2. Subjective wellbeing
- 3. Oxford shoulder score

Measures will be taken at enrolment, on the morning of surgery (typically 2-4 weeks after enrolment) and then again at 6 weeks following surgery.

Secondary outcome measures

Patient satisfaction measures at 6 weeks post-surgery

Overall study start date

01/07/2010

Completion date

01/07/2011

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Individuals undergoing primary arthroscopic shoulder decompression at the home institution
- 2. Informed consent in English

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

180

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Previous shoulder surgery on operative side
- 2. Unable to consent in English

Date of first enrolment

01/07/2010

Date of final enrolment

01/07/2011

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre Imperial College London

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Organisation

Imperial College London (UK)

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Sponsor type

University/education

ROR

https://ror.org/041kmwe10

Funder(s)

Funder type

Hospital/treatment centre

Funder Name

Imperial College London

Alternative Name(s)

Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, Imperial College London, UK, Imperial College London, London, England, Imperial College London in United Kingdom, imperialcollege, ICL

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Universities (academic only)

Location

United Kingdom

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