

A Universal Form for Treatment Options as an alternative to DNAR: Development and Evaluation

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Scientific

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7932

Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

A Universal Form for Treatment Options: Development and evaluation

Study objectives

Our main hypothesis is that introduction of universal form for treatment options (UFTO) will remove inequities in care resulting from current approaches to do not attempt resuscitation (DNAR) (patients with DNAR forms receive substandard treatment, while other patients have resuscitation inappropriately attempted on them), and improve experience of discussions surrounding resuscitation for patient, carer, family and clinical groups (hereafter referred to as "all groups").

Our project can be divided into the following aims:

1. Finalisation of the UFTO:

This form will be filled in on every patient (the DNAR is only completed on those NOT for resuscitation), stating which specific escalations (e.g., intensive care) are appropriate (the DNAR states that one treatment, resuscitation, should be withheld). We will then assess whether the UFTO alters qualitative and quantitative outcomes in comparison to the standard DNAR form.

2. Quantitative aims:

We hypothesise the UFTO will standardise the doctors' approach to DNAR, while allowing patients' individual choices to be respected.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

MREC approved (ref: 09/ho310/89)

Study design

Multicentre observational process of care and treatment cohort study

Primary study design

Observational

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Topic: Generic Health Relevance and Cross Cutting Themes; Subtopic: Generic Health Relevance (all Subtopics); Disease: Health Services Research

Interventions

The intervention is the use of the Universal Form of Treatment Options instead of the Current DNAR form.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

Outreach services

Key secondary outcome(s))

UFTO

Completion date

31/05/2012

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Patients:

1. All patients admitted on weekdays
2. Assessed following the post take round, until which time usual care will have been administered

Nurses and doctors:

3. All nurses and doctors on the participating wards will be eligible for inclusion for being interviewed for the qualitative aspects of the study

Both:

4. Male and female, lower age limit of 18 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

1. Those under 18 years
2. Those for palliative care only

Date of first enrolment

01/11/2009

Date of final enrolment

31/05/2012

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre

Hinchingbrooke Park

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (UK)

ROR

<https://ror.org/04v54gj93>

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) (UK)

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?
Results article	results	04/09/2013		Yes	No