A randomised controlled trial investigating the clinical and cost-effectiveness of a patient self-management programme (SMP) for basic footcare in the elderly

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

To design and implement a new patient self-management programme for elderly patients seeking podiatry for basic foot problems. Access to NHS chiropody is often gained on "entitlement" rather than clinical need and in the elderly routine follow up is becoming a costly problem. The Department of Health has called on the profession to tackle this issue within the constraints of current funding levels. We have identified successful use of patient self-management programmes (SMP) for chronic low-grade conditions in other clinical fields and our key objective in this study is to develop a relevant programme for basic footcare in the elderly. We aim to test this, in terms of its clinical and cost-effectiveness, against conventional care in a (as yet unfunded) randomised controlled trial. The SMP will contain elements of information, giving training and education and telephone helpline support involving patients, relatives, carers, voluntary sector workers and podiatry services. We are currently validating a foot health disability measure as the primary outcome measure alongside measures of foot morbidity, patient satisfaction, quality of life and foot health knowledge.

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

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Basic foot care

Interventions

Patient self-management programme versus standard care.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

EuroQol, foot disability index - to be validated, foot morbidity Index, foot health knowledge questionnaire - based on SMP, patient satisfaction questionnaire.

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

04/01/2001

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Feasibility study - sample of 50 subjects, mostly new referrals to the NHS podiatry service in Calderdale.

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Not Specified

Sex

Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria

Diabetes mellitis, circulatory disorders.

Date of first enrolment

02/01/1999

Date of final enrolment

04/01/2001

Locations

Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre University of Leeds

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Sponsor information

Organisation

NHS R&D Regional Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

NHS Executive Northern and Yorkshire (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		01/11/2003		Yes	No