# An evaluation of a model system for active prevention in the general dental service.

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#### Plain English summary of protocol

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# Study information

Scientific Title

#### **Study objectives**

A randomised, controlled trial will evaluate the benefit to child patients aged 2-5 years of a structured, practice-based dental health education package given to parents by dental health educators over a two year period.

The null hypotheses tested will be:

- 1. The secondment of dental health educators to general dental practices will not influence the caries incidence of 'at risk' regularly attending pre-school child patients over a two year period.
- 2. There will be no cost-effective health gain from the use of dental health educators in the general practice setting.
- 3. The parents in the test group will not increase their knowledge on the prevention of caries more than those in the control group.

#### 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)

Prevention

#### Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Oral health/stomatognathic diseases

#### **Interventions**

- 1. Control group children given a toothbrush and toothpaste and the parents will be interviewed and given instruction in the child's oral hygiene; they will be recalled at the end of two years, reexamined and the parents interviewed again.
- 2. Test group children will be given three dental health education visits at the beginning and one recall visit every 4 months for the two year study period. Children also given toothbrush and toothpaste and parents interviewed. The dental health education package will consist of detailed counselling on sugar control and the use of fluoride toothpaste for young children.

#### Intervention Type

Other

#### **Phase**

Not Applicable

#### Primary outcome(s)

Incidence of caries

#### Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

#### Completion date

31/10/2002

# **Eligibility**

#### Key inclusion criteria

Children 2-5 years

#### Participant type(s)

**Patient** 

#### Healthy volunteers allowed

No

#### Age group

Child

#### Lower age limit

2 years

#### Upper age limit

5 years

#### Sex

All

#### Key exclusion criteria

Does not match inclusion criteria

#### Date of first enrolment

01/01/1999

#### Date of final enrolment

31/10/2002

#### Locations

#### Countries of recruitment

**United Kingdom** 

England

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# Sponsor information

#### Organisation

Record Provided by the NHS R&D 'Time-Limited' National Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

# Funder(s)

#### Funder type

Government

#### **Funder Name**

NHS National Programme for Primary Dental Care (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	11/10/2003		Yes	No