

# The influence of patient information on primary care management and referral patterns: The use of low back pain as a model

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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### Protocol serial number

PSI C-17 (N0466011634)

## Study information

Scientific Title

**Study objectives**

This study will develop a model of patient information for patients with low back pain, and its impact on the management of low back pain, including self-management:

1. To investigate the effect of giving targeted information to patients on the management of low back pain in primary care, including referral patterns and to describe what information patients currently have, including its source, appropriateness and use
2. To determine what patients perceive they need in terms of information, and how that fits into their existing information framework
3. To establish what information clinicians provide, the reasons for their choice and clinicians perceptions of patients information needs
4. To evaluate the impact of patient information on referral patterns (including self referral) and on patient perceptions of their back pain

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study design**

Interviews, randomised controlled trial

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Musculoskeletal diseases: Spinal conditions

**Interventions**

Patients are given targeted information on the management of low back pain

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

Aberdeen back pain questionnaire

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Not provided at time of registration

**Completion date**

01/07/2001

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

1. Focus groups - practice record of low back pain consultation in the preceding 12 months selected from General Practitioner (GP) records; a random selection invited to participate
2. Clinician interviews - six GPs from each of three areas
3. Intervention study - patients consulting one of the 96 participating GPs for back pain during a specified 12-week period. Eligibility for the study decided by GP using uniform recognised criteria
4. Age range 25 - 64 years

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Adult

## Sex

All

## Key exclusion criteria

Not provided at time of registration

## Date of first enrolment

01/01/1999

## Date of final enrolment

01/07/2001

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

United Kingdom

England

## Study participating centre

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# Sponsor information

**Organisation**

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**Funder(s)****Funder type**

Government

**Funder Name**

NHS Primary and Secondary Care Interface National Research and Development Programme (UK)

**Results and Publications****Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan****IPD sharing plan summary**

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