

Sites Update

10 sites are now open to recruitment– welcome on board Homerton Hospital & Liverpool Women’s Hospital!

The last sites who are awaiting trial supplies are St Mary’s Hospital, Leeds General Hospital & Newham University Hospital. Chloe will be in touch with these remaining sites to arrange a suitable delivery date before the end of November.

Next sites planned to open:

- Queen’s Hospital, Romford
- Royal Bolton Hospital

Star Site: Bradford Royal Infirmary!



Neonatal Research Team members Trudy Booth, Kelly Young, Rachel Wane, Sam Oddie, Anil Shenoy, Louise Akeroyd, Liz Ingram & Pauline Athwal

Bradford recruited more patients in October than any other site and have the joint top weekly recruitment rate. Congratulations!

Top Questions

Some of the boxes of Premicaths/ Premistars have a warning from Vygon that says “**CAUTION– do not use alcohol based solutions on this catheter**”. Does this mean we shouldn’t be using alcohol cleaning solution on the skin prior to line insertion?

- No– we have double checked this with Vygon and they have confirmed that using alcohol cleaning solution on the skin is fine. It is liquid alcohol contact with the line that should be avoided as it can weaken the material.

When completing Section 2 on the Baby Characteristics form (CRF 3) about antenatal corticosteroids, do we tick yes or no if the course was not completed?

- Please tick yes if **any** antenatal corticosteroids were administered. There is no need to specify if it was a full or incomplete course.

Any questions? Feel free to contact us with any concerns!

Christmas Competition!

Since a little friendly competition doesn't hurt anyone we will be running a Christmas recruitment competition! The site that recruits the most babies in the first 2 weeks of December will receive a special surprise!

More information will circulate nearer the time. Best of luck to all!

Recruitment Progress

Site	Opening Date	Recruitment to 31/10/2015	Recruitment rate per week
Bradford Royal Infirmary	10/08/2015	17	1.58
Leicester Royal Infirmary	11/08/2015	17	1.58
The Jessop Wing	01/09/2015	10	1.22
Birmingham Women's Hospital	07/09/2015	10	1.25
Nottingham City Hospital	07/09/2015	7	0.88
Queen's Medical Centre	08/09/2015	6	0.75
The Royal London Hospital	18/09/2015	5	0.71
Royal Oldham Hospital	23/09/2015	6	1.00
Homerton Hospital	02/10/2015	5	1.20
Liverpool Women's Hospital	12/10/2015	3	1.00
Totals	Sites: 10	Recruitment: 86	



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Amendments & Updates

Flushing lines prior to insertion: The PREVAIL team would like to remind clinical teams that when catheters are inserted a generous flush prior to use is believed to minimise the chances of difficulty in withdrawing the stylet (or “wire”). The manufacturers recommend that this is carried out with a 10 ml syringe – this is to avoid the high pressures that can be generated with a 2 ml syringe. It is believed that a generous flush maximises the lubrication between stylet and catheter material.

Continuing Care Sites: As per the previous newsletter the majority of CCS are not yet set up. North Manchester Hospital has opened as a CCS under the same trust as Royal Oldham. All other potential CCS are going to be submitted on a single SSI form and we are liaising with the lead CRN to ensure this is completed as soon as possible. For the time being please continue to collect follow-up data from the receiving sites where you can, and not send transfer packs with the babies.

Amendments: An amendment to the protocol and the PISC has been submitted to the Ethics Committee and is currently awaiting approvals.

Materials: The poster, stickers, cot cards & certificates have begun to be sent to sites.