



Participant Information Sheet

Prevalence of medical emergency events in primary dental care

You are invited to take part in a research study aiming to look at the prevalence of medical emergency events within primary care and clinician's confidence in their management within the UK. Before you decide whether or not you want to take part it is important for you to understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take time to read the following information carefully before deciding.

About the research

What is the purpose of this study?

The purpose of this study is to investigate the prevalence of medical emergency events in primary dental care and to explore the confidence of dental professionals when managing these events. This study will involve dentists, dental specialists, dental hygienists and/or therapists working within a primary care setting. This includes those working in general dental practice, specialist practice based within primary care and community dental services.

Who is doing the study?

This study is being conducted by a research team from Newcastle University as a part of a research programme with Health Education England North East.

Why have I been asked to participate?

You have been asked to take part as you are either a dentist, dental specialist, dental hygienist and/or therapist working within primary care in the UK. This includes those working in general dental practice, specialist practice based within primary care and community dental services. We are interested in hearing your experiences of managing medical emergency events before the COVID-19 pandemic. Respondents who worked the entirety of 2019 within primary care will be asked questions on their experience of managing medical emergencies to calculate prevalence rate prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Who has reviewed this study?

Ethical approval has been sought and obtained for this study by the Newcastle University Research Ethics Committee.

What will be involved if I take part in this study?

By consenting to take part, you will be asked to complete an online survey comprising of 25 questions. This will take approximately 5-10 minutes.

If you wish to take part, please click on the provided link to complete the survey. You will be asked if you have read this information sheet and you must tick a box confirming this and that you consent to take part.

Will I be compensated for taking part?

There is no financial compensation for taking part in this research. However, you will have the option to provide your e-mail address to enter a prize draw for a £50 Amazon voucher as a token of appreciation for your participation.

Can I withdraw from the study at any time?

Yes. You have the right to withdraw at any point during the survey. Any responses given prior to withdrawal will be included in analysis.

Data Protection and Confidentiality

Will the information I give be kept confidential?

Yes. Online responses will be collected via Jisc Online Surveys. All data will be anonymous and stored on a password protected server in Newcastle University. If you have opted to provide your e-mail address to enter the prize draw, your e-mail address will be stored on a password protected server within Newcastle University which will be kept separate to the questionnaire. E-mail addresses will be deleted once the prize draw winner is contacted.

What will happen to the results of the study?

In line with the Newcastle Joint Research Office SOP 012 study data will be archived securely in electronic format for a period of 5 years following completion and write-up of the study. No personal identifiable data will be published. The outcome of this research project will be presented at a national conference and published in a peer reviewed journal.

Contact Details

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