

Welcome Phase 2 Services!

After months of hard work we are very pleased to announce that recruitment started in Phase 2 of the LoTS care trial at the end of February. We would like to give a warm welcome to the 18 phase 2 services.

Thank you to the community stroke services, researchers, Stroke Research Network and everyone who has helped us to get phase 2 up and running.

We have already had a number of patients recruited from phase 2 services. We would like to congratulate Nikki Wyatt in Norwich for recruiting the first phase 2 patient.

As part of the set up of phase 2, we held a central researcher training day in London at the beginning of January. We would like to thank all of you who were able to brave the heavy snow to attend!

We now have a total of 32 services participating in the trial, encompassing 68 hospitals and 27 PCTs across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Thank you for all your help and support.

Recruitment update

Each service was given an initial recruitment target of 25 patients. We are pleased to see that some Phase 1 services are already approaching this figure. We have asked these services to continue recruiting to help us reach our overall trial target of 800 patients.

With the welcome of additional services we have already seen a boost in recruitment. It would be brilliant to reach 250 patients by the end of April. Please continue to recruit as many patients as you can!

- ★ There will be a prize for whoever recruits patient number 200!
- ★ There will be a prize for **everyone** who recruits 6 or more patients in the next six weeks.

New Staff

We are pleased to welcome Alison Fergusson as the new LoTS care trial co-ordinator in the CTRU.



The LoTS care trial team would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter!



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Recruitment Total = 187

Congratulations to **Maggie Ball** in **Chesterfield Royal Hospital** who recruited the 150th patient to LoTS care.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us reach nearly 200 patients.

We would like to reach 250 patients by the end of April — please keep up the good work!