

PROJECT BRIEF

Project name INTERACT
Embedding research in John Radcliffe Neurology Department

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Executive Summary

This sub-project is one of a series taking place across the country under the wider INTERACT Project. Together they will test approaches for embedding research into clinical practice.

Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust is one of the largest teaching hospitals in the UK. The CEO Sir Jonathan Michael is a member of the national Clinical Research Collaboration board, Chair of the Board of NHS Innovations and has shown support for research. Research is identified as one of the Trust's three key strategic objectives, and this culture is reinforced through the Trust's Biomedical Research Centre. The Trust was recently awarded a further £107m in new funding to carry out their programme of research, and this includes the 'get involved with research' project aimed at increasing patient access to research.

The Neurology Department at Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust employs 21 Consultants, and over 100 further staff involved in direct care of people with neurological disorders. These clinicians work across 3 sites and provide tertiary services for patients across the whole region via wide referral pathways and in the community.

This project will provide structure to a broad range of engagement activities, aimed at influencing all clinical and support staff in the Neurology Department to support Neurodegenerative diseases research (dementia, PD, MND, HD), and signpost / engage with patients to support current studies and recruitment to the region's 'consent list'.

The project will target individuals to bring about a change in practice to embed research in the patient care pathway. Phase one will take place between January and April 2012 and will focus on stakeholder analysis / agreeing plans for engagement, phase two will be from April to deliver the identified activities.

Revision History

Revision date	Author	Summary of Changes	New Version
21/10/11	Adam Smith	Produce first draft	1
15/11/11	Helen Collins	Revised	1.1
16/11/11	Adam Smith	Review HC edits, update	2

21/11/11	Adam Smith	Revised delivery dates and added success measures relating to studies	3
14/02/12	Adam Smith	Minor corrections request by HC	4

Project Definition

Objectives

The objective of this project is to encourage and influence all staff in Neurology Services at Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust, to routinely inform / signpost their patients who suffer from Dementia or a Neurodegenerative disease to current NIHR portfolio research, DeNDRoN and a local consent lists.

Phase one will focus on planning, and Phase two on delivery. Overall this project will devise and test an engagement strategy that can be applied to this setting, and measure the impact and benefit of investing time in placing such significant focus on one place and part of the care pathway.

Scope / Exclusions

- The scope will initially extend to Consultants, Managers, Senior Nurses, Nurse Specialists & community nurses, and other allied healthcare professionals, and social care, however this will be subject to on-going review.
- The project will cover the Neurology Department of Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals and any sites that the department works from.
- The primary focus is Neurodegenerative diseases; however Dementia will also be supported, particularly in terms of current studies and any planned for regional delivery.
- Phase One of the project will take place between January 2012 and April 2012 – planning.
- Phase Two of the project will be subject to a revised project brief and will focus on delivery.
- The cost of delivery will be found from existing LRN budget.

Project Deliverables

DELIVERABLES		TIMESCALE
TV3.1	Identify all internal and external OUH Neurology stakeholders	Jan - Feb 12
TV3.2	Complete detailed stakeholder analysis, with individuals and groups (current position / future position)	Feb - Apr 12
TV3.3	Produce stakeholder engagement / Phase 2 plan (activities to get from current position to future position)	Mar - Apr 12
TV3.4	Undertake and complete engagement plans (will require on-going review and refinement of approach).	Phase 2 (to Nov 12)
TV3.5	Produce and submit final report / case study	Dec 12
TV3.6	Support wider network delivery	Dec 12 onwards

Governance / reporting requirements:

1. Establish local governance and project management arrangements.
2. Provide monthly highlight report to national project board (1st of each month)
3. Maintain a project risk register using <https://portal.nihr.ac.uk/sites/dendron/dp>
4. Participate in INTERACT Delivery Team meetings (alternate monthly TC / F2F)
5. Provide ah-hoc reports and updates as required.

Interfaces

- Trust Medical Director
- Trust PPI
- Trust Board
- Board members (DON, CEO)
- Other INTERACT D3 Projects TBC
- Neurology Clinical Director

Success Measures

PHASE 1

1. Improvement activities for each stakeholder identified and agreed.
2. Meetings held with 30% of NHS staff to inform stakeholder analysis.
3. Complete production of stage two plan, with agreed improvement actions approved by Neurology Clinical Director or Medical Director.

PHASE 2

4. 100% of all identified activities complete.
5. 25% of all NHS staff aware in one form or another confirmed via survey.
6. Increase total number of patients entering a study / RAFT directly from this activity (to be measured upon registration).
7. Per patient recruitment cost from project vs. non-project.
8. In addition to normal activity recruit 5 patients to the MUSTARD-PD study as a direct result of this project.
9. In addition to normal activity recruit 15 patients to the PD Exercise study as a direct result of this project.
10. In addition to normal activity recruit 15 patients to the PD Discovery study as a direct result of this project.