

Preoperative intravenous iron to treat anaemia in major surgery

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PREVENTT Recruitment- 147 patients to go!

During March, you will have seen that the team at Broomfield recruited the 350th PREVENTT patient which has officially marked the start of the countdown to the end of recruitment. Just over 70% of the patients needed have been recruited, which is fantastic!

The PREVENTT team are also travelling to sites again to catch up with PREVENTT staff. It has been great to meet with the teams at Hillingdon, Oxford and Southampton and to meet new members of staff working on the trial. More visits are being arranged with sites who have requested them. If you would like a member of the Project Management Group to come and meet with the research team or present at a surgical or anaesthetic meeting, please get in touch with Becky Swinson (Rebecca.swinson@lshtm.ac.uk).

A site visit has been arranged with the team at the Countess of Chester Hospital in April and Liverpool Womens Hospital are also due to open to recruitment soon. We look forward to welcoming both sites to PREVENTT!



The team at Broomfield with their celebratory cupcakes. (L- R Lauren Shillito, Fiona McNeela, Lizzie Dawson, Jo Wootton and Lucy Willsher)

New pens and posters will be on their way to sites to start using from the start of April. These resources are to help promotion of the trial with surgeons and other members of the clinical teams. Please get in touch with Becky if there are other resources you would find helpful that the team can help to develop.

Recruitment Spotlight

Thank you to all sites who recruited patients during March. In total, 5 sites recruited at least one patient. Alongside the special mention for Broomfield, another site also reached a recruitment milestone this month. Alexander Hardy, Deborah Butcher and the team at Peterborough recruited two patients which now gives them a total of five PREVENTT patients. This also means that the team were one of the top recruiting sites during March. Finally, thank you also to the teams at the Royal Marsden, Aintree and Sheffield who also recruited patients this month.

Several other sites are also close to recruiting either their 5th, 10th, 20th or 30th patients so we look forward to congratulating more sites soon as these key milestones are reached.

Consenting Patients

One of the common questions we get asked is who can consent PREVENTT patients? The answer is anyone who is GCP trained and delegated this responsibility which includes research nurses. This is provided your own local R&D department are happy. Several sites have found that this has helped with recruitment as more staff are available.

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