

Non-Portfolio Research projects 2019/20

Title	Description	Progress to date
<p>A Dose of Nature: An Interdisciplinary Study of Green Prescriptions</p> <p>(All CCGs)</p>	<p>This project focuses on green prescriptions (nature-based health interventions). The research will involve distributing an online questionnaire to general practitioners across the country.</p> <p>The aim is to help determine the current status of green prescribing in the UK.</p>	<p>This is a PhD from the University of Sheffield and we have provided support and advice to the researchers. This study has recently been granted HRA approval. Dissemination of results is due 2021.</p>
<p>Prescribing Error Reporting: Facilitating learning and patient safety across primary care</p> <p>(Prepare)</p> <p>(All CCGs)</p>	<p>This study will employ interviews with primary care prescribers, community pharmacy health professionals and other key stakeholders to identify facilitators and barriers to identifying and reporting prescribing errors in primary care. We will also assess the wider influence of the healthcare context on beliefs about which types of errors should be reported and where.</p>	<p>This study has recently been granted HRA approval. The dissemination plans include to feed key recommendations back to the NHS improvement team responsible for the development of the patient safety incident management system (DPSIMS); the pharmaceutical services negotiating committee (PSNC); and various local and national groups that deal with medication safety. This project is due to end November 2019 and results will be shared.</p>
<p>A Qualitative Exploration of the Barriers and Facilitators to Implementing Shared Medical Appointments in Primary Care</p> <p>(All CCGs)</p>	<p>This project aims to explore why the implementation of SMAs has been slow, which in turn can inform what needs to be addressed in order for there to be wider adoption of this approach (also appears in RCF projects list).</p>	<p>HRA approval is currently in progress, Interim results should be available to share by November 2019 with project completion expected April 2020.</p>
<p>GPs and Spiritual Health</p> <p>(DDES and South Tees CCGs)</p>	<p>Led by a GP working in DDES and is completing a Masters at Newcastle University.</p>	<p>HRA approval is being sought for this project. NECS team will provide an update when available.</p>

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<p>Acute home visits in primary care: ambulance staff</p> <p>(Northumberland CCG)</p>	<p>Patients requiring home visits in primary care are predominantly older adults experiencing frailty, living with multiple medical conditions and taking multiple medications . This places a significant demand on GP time, especially in rural areas where the time taken to travel between patients is significant. In response to this, three neighbouring practices in Northumberland, and the North East Ambulance Service (NEAS), piloted an ambulance service practitioner home visiting service from November 2018 to March 2019. Now that the pilot has ended, the study team would like to explore patient experiences of home visits conducted by ambulance service practitioners by conducting individual interviews with 10-20 patients who received a visit.</p>	<p>The results will be available in September 2019 and will be shared.</p>
<p>Women with a learning disability and their attitudes and opinions of the cervical and breast national cancer screening programmes</p> <p>(South Tees CCG).</p>	<p>The current study will involve speaking to women with a learning disability, family carers, and paid care workers about their attitudes towards cervical and breast cancer screening.</p>	<p>This is a PHD from the Teesside University and we have provided support and advice to the researchers. This study has recently been granted HRA approval. Dissemination due February 2022.</p>