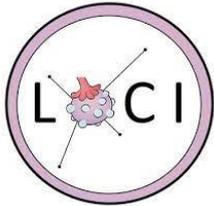


Update from NRS Reproductive Health and Childbirth Specialty Group

December 2021



THE LOCI TRIAL - UPDATE FOLLOWING FUNDER REVIEW

With tremendous help from the trial sites, LOCI was able to recruit 63 recruits in October and 75 in November. The NIHR HTA assessors were impressed with these efforts and have given a stay of execution.

They have, however, set a new recruitment target of an additional 400 patients by March 2022. This means recruiting 80 patients per month until March. With a concerted effort, the trial achieved 75 in November, so this target is very possible with help from existing and new sites.

Sites are encouraged to try to recruit every eligible patient.

LOCI (Letrozole or Clomifene, with or without metformin, for ovulation induction in women with polycystic ovary syndrome: a 2x2 factorial design randomised trial. CPMS ID 42795, IRAS 257918) is an NIHR Portfolio 'Confirmed Managed Recovery' trial and remains open to new sites.

We welcome sites already in setup or with an expression of interest to urgently proceed and ideally open before mid-February (in order to support the trial and be included in the progress report to NIHR HTA in April).

Please let Abha/Txaro know if you are interested in participating and would like any information.

NHS SHARE, The Scottish Health Research Register and Biobank

Invitation to their inaugural symposium, 19th January 2022, 1 - 3pm.

The theme of this event is **Tomorrow's Medical World**.

See programme [here](#). Link to join the event, please share with your colleagues: [Click here to join the meeting](#)



The Scottish Research Nurse, Midwife and Coordinators' Network (SRNCN)

Registration is now open for their 2022 conference: Friday 25 March 2022.

Celebrating Clinical Research Nursing in Scotland #SRNCN22

Keynote speaker: Professor Jason Leitch, National Clinical Director. Please book [here](#)

This event will be held in-person at The Studio, 67 Hope Street, Glasgow, G2 6AE, however if the situation does not allow, the event will be instead hosted live virtually. For more details visit <https://www.srncn.org/>

CSO Early Postdoctoral Scheme – Panel Members Needed



CSO are looking for new Panel Members to assess applications for their [New Fellowship Scheme](#).

For full details please visit the CSO website, [click here](#).

It would be helpful if anyone interested could make contact by **Friday 18th February**.

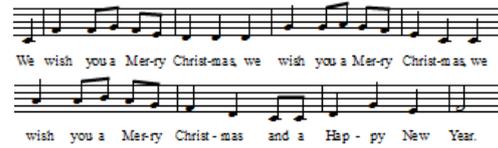
IRAS Amendment Tool updated to new version

From 6th Dec 2021, the amendment tool will indicate that substantial changes to the Investigator Brochure (IB) do **not** need to be submitted to a NHS Research Ethics Committee (REC) for review.

This aligns with existing guidance. See details [here](#).



In this 30th issue of the NRS RH&C Update we wish you all



Happy Christmas and
All the best for 2022!
From Abha & Txaro



GOOD NEWS STORIES: NIHR Confirmed Managed Recovery Studies Opening in Scotland WILL Trial

When to Induce Labour to Limit risk in pregnancy hypertension– a multicentre, randomised controlled trial.
CPMS 39805, IRAS 252294. Chief Investigator: Professor Laura Magee, King's College London. Funder: NIHR HTA.

NHS Lanarkshire will be the first site to open in Scotland!

NHS Highland and Greater Glasgow & Clyde are also on board!

Please see [Protocol](#) and if interested in participating complete the [WILL Feasibility Survey](#) and [WILL Survey of Practice](#). For further details please contact Katie Kirkham, K.L.Kirkham@bham.ac.uk.



The CERM Trial - Update

Chronic Endometriosis and Recurrent Miscarriage.

CPMS 42757, IRAS 251756. Chief Investigator: Professor Siobhan Quenby, University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire NHS Trust. Funder: NIHR EME. For more information please visit this [link](#)



**NHS Grampian, the first site in Scotland,
is now open to recruitment!**

Grampian team, from left: Dr Andrea Woolner (PI), research nurses Danielle Pirie and Laura Naylor and recurrent miscarriage specialist nurse Nataleigh McGonagle

NHS Ayrshire & Arran is also on board!

Please let us know if you are interested in participating or would like any information.

HYPATIA



A prospective randomised controlled trial of **HY**droxychloroquine to improve **P**regnancy outcome in women with **AN**Ti phospholipid **AN**tibodies.

CPMS 37234, IRAS 170254. Chief Investigator: Professor Beverley Hunt, Guys and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust. Funder: NIHR Central Commissioning Facility. For more details, please follow this [link](#)

This interventional study led by England, is a Confirmed Managed Recovery study and it is open to new sites in Scotland.

Please let us know if you or your colleagues are interested in participating and would like to receive the Protocol.

NEW NRS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND CHILDBIRTH WEBPAGE

We have revamped the NRS webpage for the Specialty, please visit:
[Reproductive Health and Childbirth | NHS Research Scotland | NHS Research Scotland.](#)



In addition to the study information on the webpage, please find Eligible Studies Active in Scotland per Health Board [here](#), data cut 14/12/2021. Eligible studies are supported by a funder which appears on the [CSO Eligible Funders list](#).

The monthly Newsletter can be accessed via the webpage: [Newsletters and Resources Section](#)

Please send us your Good News stories, queries and feedback:

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