

REACH-HF News

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REACH-HFpEF (WP2) The big reveal!

The Programme Management Group (PMG) met in Exeter on the 28th April to find out if the results of the WP2 pilot trial of the REACH-HF manual in patients with heart failure and preserved ejection fraction (HFpEF) conducted in Dundee.

The results were promising and we now intend to disseminate these at various conferences. Rod Taylor will present this at the British Association of Cardiovascular prevention and Rehabilitation (BACPR) annual meeting in London 06.10.2017. We also agreed to show an expression of interest for an NIHR HTA grant to support a full trial. This will be led by Chim Lang and Rod Taylor.

Patient and Public Involvement

In May the PPI group (chaired by Kevin Paul) met to discuss the results presented at the PMG meeting and help develop a dissemination plan to inform the wider public about the research findings.

It was agreed that the group should have a strong presence at the 'Let's Talk' research event (RCHT March 2018) for recruitment and dissemination.

Not so new Faces

Although it was sad to say goodbye to Vicky Eyre our trial manager from PenCTU we are delighted to welcome back Chris Hayward as our new trial manager. Chris was involved with REACH HF at the very beginning in 2012 and it is great that he will be there to see the full results.

Dates for your diary:

Next PMG meeting 22nd September

PPI meeting 17th December

April 6th 2018 REACH-HF Closing Conference

REACH-HF dissemination plans

Members of the PMG also discussed draft plans for dissemination of results prepared by Rod and Hayes. A number of key conferences were identified in addition to academic and medical journals.

A REACH HF Closing Conference is planned for April 2018. The conference will be held at Pendennis Castle, Falmouth, Cornwall and is already attracting interest from leading specialists in the field. The conference will be videoed and available to download as a podcast from our website.



REACH-HFrEF (WP3) Update

Fiona Warren our statistician is in the process of analysing the quantitative data and Jenny and Julia are working on the qualitative aspects of REACH-HF.

We are expecting to present results of WP3 at the PMG in September 2017. The presentation of the results will follow the 'Big Reveal' format used for WP2, where the results are discussed before the group that received the intervention is revealed by opening a sealed 'golden' envelope.

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