

Pleural Procedures (chest drains) Study

This hospital is taking part in a piece of work to help to see where future care can be improved for patients who have undergone a pleural procedure (had a chest drain inserted).

The organisation collecting the data is called **NCEPOD**.

NCEPOD is a national organisation that uses data to help **improve the quality of care for future patients** in the UK. We do this by collecting data on patients from hospitals and other places where they may be cared for.

For over 35 years **NCEPOD** has run studies across the UK and these have led to lots of changes in how healthcare is provided.

THE DATA WE ARE COLLECTING WILL INVOLVE THE USE OF PERSONAL, IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

We will be collecting data from clinicians who performed pleural procedures (chest drains) and collecting copies of the case notes of patients who had a chest drain inserted. We are collecting data on **adults aged over 18**.

To see what could have been done better, we are looking at the healthcare provided to people who have undergone a pleural procedure (had a chest drain inserted) who were admitted to hospital between **1st January 2024 and 31st December 2024**.

To do this, we will look at past healthcare records of included patients. This means that we will have access to confidential, personal information of included patients until the study is finished in 2026. ALL the data will be handled with care, kept very secure, have names and other identifiable information removed and everything will be securely destroyed at the end of the study.



Please contact us if you would like more information on how we handle personal data.

If you would like to take part in an **anonymous survey** to share your experiences, please email pleural@ncepod.org.uk or call 0207 251 9060.

If you are aged **over 18 years old**, and **have had a pleural procedure (chest drain)**, your healthcare data might be included in our work. We will keep your data very safe until the end of the work, when it will all be safely deleted.

If you do not want your data used please tell:

Marisa Mason, Chief Executive, by post, phone or email: mmason@ncepod.org.uk

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MIGHT BE USED,
AND HOW YOU
CAN SAY NO!**

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