



## NEW REPORT - RELEASED 14th APRIL 2022

All NCEPOD reports over the last 15 years, and data collections currently in progress, were reviewed to extract examples of where healthcare inequalities could be seen from review of clinical questionnaires and case notes, organisational data and patient/parent/carer data. This 'living' report has highlighted a number of themes in both the clinical care and the organisation of healthcare services.



## NEW REPORT - RELEASED 12th MAY 2022

### A Picture of Health?

A review of the quality of physical healthcare provided to adult patients admitted to a mental health inpatient setting



This study reviewed the quality of physical healthcare provided to adult patients admitted to a mental health inpatient setting.

### KEY MESSAGES:

- 1** Assess patients for acute physical health conditions on arrival at a mental health inpatient setting and then undertake a detailed physical health assessment once the patient is admitted.
- 2** Develop a physical healthcare plan for patients admitted to a mental health inpatient setting.
- 3** Formalise clinical networks/pathways between mental healthcare and physical healthcare.
- 4** Involve patients and their carers/friends/family in their physical healthcare and use the admission as an opportunity to assess, and involve patients in their general health.

## ALCOHOL-RELATED LIVER DISEASE ORGANISATIONAL SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who completed a survey for this follow-up piece of work to 'Measuring the Units' published back in 2013! Ten years on we were interested to see what had changed. We have held a discussion on the findings with leaders in the field and will provide a summary back to you within the next few months.

# STUDY UPDATES

[WWW.NCEPOD.ORG.UK/STUDIES.HTML](http://WWW.NCEPOD.ORG.UK/STUDIES.HTML)

## EPILEPSY

[epilepsy@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:epilepsy@ncepod.org.uk)

**Data collection for clinician and organisational questionnaires remains open until the 30<sup>th</sup> June.**

Please access the [NCEPOD Questionnaire](#) system to see what is outstanding for the study. Drafting of the report will soon commence and we are working towards a publication date in December 2022.

## TRANSITION FROM CHILD TO ADULT HEALTHCARE

[transition@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:transition@ncepod.org.uk)

**Data collection is open.**

**Deadline for the return of organisational questionnaires is 25<sup>th</sup> May.**

If patient 'spreadsheet A' is currently outstanding for your Trust/Health Board, please return this as soon as possible. Clinician questionnaires for completion can be found on the [NCEPOD Questionnaire](#) system. Additional questionnaires will now be sent based on the responses given in the first clinician questionnaire; these may be for additional teams in the same Trust/Health Board, or to others where it has been identified that care had been provided by another provider. Reviewer meetings are currently taking place so we would be grateful if you are able to return any requested case notes.

## CROHN'S DISEASE

[crohns@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:crohns@ncepod.org.uk)

**Data collection is open.**

Please contact us as soon as possible if you have not yet returned a spreadsheet for your hospital as the deadline has passed but we may still be able to accept it.

Clinician questionnaires have been uploaded onto the [NCEPOD Questionnaire](#) system.

Case note extracts have been requested for each selected case and case reviewer meetings are now underway.

Organisational questionnaires and patient surveys are being finalised and will also be disseminated very soon.

## COMMUNITY ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA

[cap@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:cap@ncepod.org.uk)

**Data collection is open.**

The deadline for the return of patient identifier spreadsheets is 17<sup>th</sup> June. We are also [recruiting case reviewers](#).

## ENDOMETRIOSIS

[endo@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:endo@ncepod.org.uk)

**Data collection for this study will begin in Autumn 2022.**

We have held several patient focus groups and two Study Advisory Group meetings to identify the major areas to review and a method of identifying the patient population. We are now starting to develop the study questionnaires.

## TESTICULAR TORSION

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This study is currently under development. The study will include patients between 2-24 years who present to hospital with testicular torsion. The study protocol is currently being finalised and data collection will open in early summer.

## END OF LIFE CARE

This study is being developed and more information will become available on the website as soon as we have it.

## NEW STUDIES

**REHABILITATION FOLLOWING CRITICAL CARE, BLOOD SODIUM, and JUVENILE IDIOPATHIC ARTHRITIS** have been chosen as new topics to develop throughout 2022/2023

## PRISON HEALTHCARE

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We have been developing a [Health Foundation](#) commissioned review of people who died from natural causes while in prison. The study will focus on the organisation of healthcare within prisons but will also look at the interactions between prisons and acute hospitals. A short hospital organisational questionnaire is being developed for dissemination in the summer. We are also [recruiting case reviewers](#).

# WHAT'S COMING UP...STUDIES AT A GLANCE

MAY 2022	JUNE 2022	JULY 2022	AUGUST 2022
<b>EPILEPSY</b>			
• Data collection for spreadsheets closed. Questionnaires and case notes being accepted.	• Data collection for spreadsheets and case notes closed. Clinician and organisational questionnaires being accepted, patient survey open.	• Data collection closed.	• Data collection closed.
<b>TRANSITION</b>			
• Clinician questionnaire dissemination and case note requests to continue. Organisational questionnaires being accepted.	• Clinician questionnaire dissemination and case note requests to continue. Organisational questionnaires being accepted.	• Clinician questionnaire dissemination and case note requests to continue. Organisational questionnaires being accepted.	• Clinician questionnaire dissemination and case note requests to continue. Organisational questionnaires being accepted.
<b>CROHN'S DISEASE</b>			
• Data collection spreadsheets being accepted. Questionnaires and case note requests start to be disseminated.	• Data collection spreadsheets being accepted. Questionnaires and case notes being accepted. Patient survey open.	• Data collection spreadsheets being accepted. Questionnaires and case notes being accepted. Patient survey open.	• Questionnaires and case notes being accepted. Patient survey open.
<b>COMMUNITY ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA</b>			
• Data collection spreadsheets disseminated, and case reviewers being recruited.	• Initial deadline for patient identifier spreadsheets, 17 <sup>th</sup> June.	• Data collection for spreadsheets open.	• Clinician and organisational questionnaires disseminated.
<b>TESTICULAR TORSION</b>			
• Currently under development.	• Data collection spreadsheets disseminated.	• Data collection for spreadsheets open.	• Data collection for spreadsheets open.
<b>ENDOMETRIOSIS</b>			
• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.
<b>END OF LIFE CARE</b>			
• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.	• Currently under development.
<b>PRISON HEALTHCARE</b>			
• Currently under development. Recruiting case reviewers. Online surveys open.	• Currently under development. Recruiting case reviewers. Online surveys open.	• Online surveys open. Case reviews commence.	• Prison organisational questionnaires disseminated, and case reviews continue.

## QUALITY IMPROVEMENT SURVEY - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are keen to develop studies with QI in mind and help local QI by providing tools to support this - but we need to hear what would be useful to you and what already exists - please would you take a few minutes to complete [this very short survey](#) to kick start us into action!

## CALLING ALL EMERGENCY SURGERY COORDINATORS!

Would you like/be willing to discuss how you organise emergency surgery at your hospital with others doing a similar role? *Justin Codd, Emergency Surgery Team Leader at the University Hospitals Sussex NHS FT* is keen to get in touch with others around the country to share experiences and strategies to help provide the best care. Please contact Justin at [justin.codd@nhs.net](mailto:justin.codd@nhs.net) or Marisa at [mmason@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:mmason@ncepod.org.uk) to put you in touch.

## NATIONAL DATA OPT OUT

For those of you based in England, you need to be aware that from 31st July 22 you will need to check patient NHS numbers against the SPINE to see if they have opted out of national studies covered by S251 before submitting data. This will apply to many of the national audits and enquiries. All the details can be found [here](#).

## CALL FOR TOPICS

The call for new topics is open for both the 'medical and surgical' and 'child health' programmes. The deadline is 17th September 2022 - see our [website](#) for more information. If you would like an informal chat about an idea, please email Marisa at [mmason@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:mmason@ncepod.org.uk).

## LOCAL REPORTER AND AMBASSADOR DAYS 2022

23rd June - online | 15th July - online  
14th September - Manchester | 30th September - London

Please send your interest to: Anisa Warsame at [awarsame@ncepod.org.uk](mailto:awarsame@ncepod.org.uk)

## RETURNING CASE NOTES TO NCEPOD

### PASSWORD PROTECTED VIA EMAIL—PREFERRED METHOD

- Scan the notes as a PDF or save PDFs from your electronic patient record
- Always password-protect the files (do not use easy-to-guess passwords, such as the hospital or study name, and don't put the password in the email with the attached files)
- Email them to us (in a logical order) at [ncepod@nhs.net](mailto:ncepod@nhs.net), not one of the study or personal email addresses
- Phone us to inform us when they have been sent and to let us know the password - you can speak to any staff member who answers the phone.

### BY POST

If you really are unable to email the notes to us they should be packaged securely and sent via our freepost address. Plastic envelopes can be obtained from us.

The freepost licence number is **RTBS - XCXG - RGLA**. Use this licence number, along with our full address below to send any correspondence to us. We recommend that all case notes are sent via recorded delivery.

On receipt of case notes you should receive an email notifying you that they have been logged on our database. Clinicians completing questionnaires who provide an email will also receive a similar email when they submit a questionnaire so that they can record the activity for their CPD.

## INFORMATION GOVERNANCE

### INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC AND PATIENTS

Public and patients - you can opt out of your data being used by us - please click [here](#) or contact:

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You can also opt out nationally - [information on the national data opt-out process](#)

### INFORMATION GOVERNANCE APPROVALS

All of our CAG - Section 251 approvals, data security and confidentiality information can be found on our [website](#)

[Information Commissioner's Office](#) registration number: **Z5442652**

We have an up to date [Data Security and Protection Toolkit](#) and [Cyber Essentials](#) certification.



We have access to a MESH mailbox to allow us to check files before sharing NHS numbers to remove anyone who has opted out nationally.