



NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

- Big changes over the last few weeks at Rotherham Respiratory. We have moved to a new office in Manvers, Rotherham. A much bigger space so our team can work together again, safely in the new Covid19 world. We have a new office address and contact number listed on the last page.
- NICE have also released a new single guideline on managing Covid19 [NG191] which will be regularly updated as new evidence emerges. Click [here](#) to view.
- Wednesday 5th May 2021 is World Asthma Day, with this years' focus on Uncovering Asthma Misconceptions, read on to find out more...

Topic of the month:

5th May 2021 - World Asthma Day

The theme for the year is Uncovering Asthma Misconceptions. Rotherham Respiratory is delighted to be involved with and support [#RightInhalerImage](#) campaign to raise awareness with healthcare professionals, the public and the media the importance of using inhalers appropriately. This includes proper use of images in the media because images are powerful tools that should be used to role model important health messages and help encourage improvement in care generally across the population. Watch out for our tweets [@RotherhamResp](#) over the next few weeks; there will be lots of interesting snippets and topics of conversation.

Do you want to take part in an exciting research program supporting people to self-manage their asthma effectively?

IMPlimenting IMProved Asthma self-management as RouTine (IMP²ART)

What is IMP²ART? A programme of work developing and testing a practical strategy to help practice staff deliver supported self-management for asthma as part of routine care.

Why is IMP²ART important? Because supporting people with asthma to self-manage improves control and reduces acute attacks (and thus the need for unscheduled care) - but is challenging to fit into the busy routines of general practice.

How can practices get involved? We are looking for practices to participate in a UK-wide randomised controlled trial that will evaluate the clinical and cost effectiveness of the IMP²ART strategy in routine clinical care.

What is the commitment? This depends which group the practice is allocated to: IMP²ART practices, will meet (virtually, if necessary) with a facilitator, and undertake some team-based learning (CME certificate provided), but the delivery of supported self-management is designed to fit into existing asthma reviews (including remote reviews) so it should not be a significant burden on staff time - and may even reduce unscheduled asthma appointments. Control practices will continue with usual care (though will be able to access the training and resources at the end of the 2-year trial).

The primary outcome is taken from routine data which will be extracted by (fully GDPR-compliant) Optimum Patient Care (OPC), a not-for-profit social enterprise which provides quality improvement and supports research in general practices. To participate, practices will have to sign up to OPC. No patient identifiable information is ever accessed by anyone other than practice staff. Some practices will be asked to help with a questionnaire mailing to about 50 people with asthma. A few practice staff will be invited to participate in interviews or allow observation of activities (but no obligation to take part).

Do you have some questions? Please contact us on IMP2ART@ed.ac.uk. We would be pleased to answer them.

Viv Marsh, IMP²ART Facilitation Co-ordinator: Specialist Nurse says:

IMP²ART is an exciting research programme working with practices to help them improve how they deliver self-managed support. Supporting people to self-manage their asthma effectively is fundamental to high quality asthma care but it's not always easy to do. Taking part in IMP²ART offers practices an excellent opportunity to use some brilliant resources that will help them to improve asthma care for their patients with asthma.

OUR NEW OFFICE ADDRESS AND CONTACT NUMBER:

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A word on Heart Failure...



Our Heart Failure Foundation course is now endorsed by the Primary Care Cardiovascular Society. Here is a word from our course tutor Hannah Waterhouse ...

"I have been working in the field of heart failure for the last 20 years and have had the

opportunity to learn so much about the things that are important to people living with this long-term condition. I have used this experience to inform the courses that have been developed for Rotherham Respiratory and was delighted to hear that the Heart Failure Foundation Course has been reviewed and endorsed by the Primary Care Cardiovascular Society. I'm greatly looking forward to welcoming new students onto the course and to support their learning about how to deliver care to this patient group.'

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- [Reflective Practice](#)
- [Heart Failure Update](#)