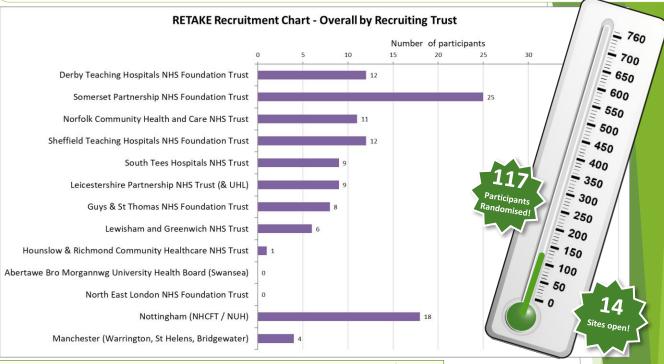
# **RETAKE Newsletter Issue 4 – January 2019**

## **Site and Recruitment Update**

We now have 14 sites open and 117 participants recruited. Well done to Somerset Partnership who are currently our top recruiters with 25 participants followed closely by Nottingham!



#### How to describe the study to those patients who may have very specific or specialist job roles

Although the RETAKE OTs will not have experience of all job roles they know a lot about the effects of stroke, the hidden longer term aspects of stroke and can help patients understand how their stroke may affect them, and their specialist work - They may also be able to advise the patient and their employer about a plan for, and optimum timing for, returning to work. The OTs can also help to identify which aspects of the job role have been most impacted by the stroke to assist with any changes or additional support which may be required.

If a patient is unsure please ask the RETAKE OT to speak to them as this may provide them with some assurances about what to expect as part of the study.

## Recruitment of patients with aphasia

We are currently in the process of developing aphasia friendly recruitment materials - As soon as we have approved versions of the documents they will be circulated for use at all sites

Please remember to use your 'Top tips for recruitment' and 'Describing the Intervention' materials to assist with recruitment – If you have any suggestions for updates to these materials based on experience or anything you'd like including please let us know!



# **Site Teleconference Feedback**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the January site teleconference, your feedback is much appreciated!

High proportion of screened patients do not have the intention to return to work at the time they are approached for the study and are therefore being excluded:

Having a stroke is a major event and may cause people to make premature decisions about their work situation. Encourage potential participants to consent to a follow up telephone call or home visit at a later date to allow them more time to think about it. When scheduling follow-up telephone calls/home visits please be mindful of the 8 week post-stroke time window for randomisation.













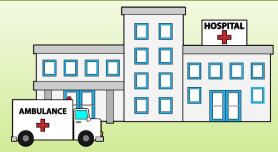




## **Sites - Coming Soon!**

- East Kent Hospitals University Foundation Trust
- Kent Community Health Trust
- Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals
- Sussex Community NHS Trust

...will all be coming on board soon!



We are still looking for new sites to take part in RETAKE! If you know of any sites who might be interested in talking part or would like to receive more information, please contact us!

# Data Management

### **Substantial Amendment 1**

The first substantial amendment for RETAKE has now been approved – If you have been given the green light to implement this amendment please ensure you are using the correct version numbers for the following documents:

Protocol – v3.0 dated 07/09/2018

Postal Approach Cover Letter (Stroke Survivor) – v2.0 dated 07/09/2018

Postal Approach Cover Letter (Carer) – v2.0 dated 07/09/2018

Patient Information Sheet – v4.0 dated 07/09/2018

Carer Information Sheet – v4.0 dated 07/09/2018

If you are unsure if your site has been given the green light to implement this amendment or require any additional documentation please contact us.

## **Follow-up data Collection**

Thank you for your continued assistance with collection of follow-up data for RETAKE.

Please remember if participants are unwilling to provide all required follow-up data over the phone that the **primary outcome data is collected as a minimum**. For stroke survivors: in **all** instances please collect a yes/no response to question 1 on p1:

'Are you currently in work (paid or unpaid) for at least 2 hours per week?

If the participant/carer states they have not received their follow-up questionnaire please still collect the minimum data (and ask the CTRU to re-post/re-email the follow-up questionnaire.)

From 31/01/2019 all participants (and carers) who provided a mobile number at recruitment will begin to receive text messages to prompt completion of follow-up questionnaires (participants (and carers) can withdraw from this service at any time should they wish).

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