

Dear CPinBOSS Team,

I hope you are all keeping well!

With the easing of the pandemic restrictions, recruitment for CPinBOSS is returning to the expected levels and surgeries are ramping up.

CURRENT RECRUITMENT

117 patients registered on REDCap

- ➢ 69 consented
- 20 service evaluation (not consented)
- 28 identified but not approached for consent please keep an eye on the clinic lists for when these patients are next due so we can recruit!
- **53 patients** have had surgery with 12 sites performing operations

Here is how recruitment is progressing over time:



RECRUITMENT BY SITE

19/23 sites currently recruiting

> 3 sites have not re-opened from when the study went on pause due to no capacity.



1 site have stopped



<u>If multi-level surgery has been performed during the pandemic</u>, where there were no research staff to recruit, we should add these patients as part of the service evaluation. Please follow the CRF Flowchart to identify which forms need to be completed when.

As you will know the recruitment period has been extended to the end of <u>March 2022</u>. Hopefully this will give us enough time to reach the magic number of 200! This will make CPinBOSS by far the largest study on SEMLS.

Please keep recruiting so that we can answer some of the burning questions in this field of practice!

The return of PROMS from patients at 1year follow-up has not been as high as expected, possibly as a result of the pandemic:

- 34 patients have reached 1 year follow-up
- Returned PROMS 16 (47%)

We will continue chasing missing data and may ask clinicians and local teams to remind families when they attend clinics to complete the follow-up questionnaires when they receive them from the trial team.

Amendments – we are submitting an amendment to capture additional gait analysis if patients are seen more than once prior to surgery. This data will be the same as the baseline clinical data form. We will be in touch with you and the R&D teams when we hear back from Ethics.

Last but not least: sadly, <u>Jamie will be leaving the CPinBOSS team</u> at the end of the month to move to a new job. Congratulations Jamie and thank you very much for all the great work you have done for CPinBOSS – we wouldn't be here without you!

The CPinBOSS email (<u>cpboss@ndorms.ox.ac.uk</u>) will continue functioning whilst we appoint Jamie's successor.

Please let us know if you have any questions or queries. Many thanks for all your good work in recruiting for CPinBOSS!

With best wishes,

Tim Theologis and Jamie van Santen