



FiCTION Autumn Newsletter

FiCTION (Filling Children's Teeth: Indicated Or Not)

FIRST FEW PAST THE POST

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Hello FiCTIONeers!

This newsletter finds everyone at FiCTION HQ very excited! This is because we have had our first participants complete their full follow-up periods. It's hard to believe that the first FiCTION boys and girls joined the trial three years ago. Well done to those teams who are already getting their patients in for their final visits.

Most FiCTION teams will have received their final visit paperwork for FiCTION patients but don't panic if you don't have it yet. Your local Clinical Lead Secretary will be passing on the packs in due course. Each participant pack consists of an envelope that contains all of the documentation required for the crucial final visit (Case Report Form, parent and child questionnaires and an ICDAS charting). Don't forget there is also a thank you card for the child in the envelope.

The front of the envelope also details when the final visit can take place for that participant. You can carry out the last visit any time the patient is in the surgery between the three months before and the three months after their "FiCTION final visit date". This gives everyone a 6-month window in which to see each individual patient for that all-important final visit.

To try and help FiCTION teams out as much as possible the local Clinical Lead Secretaries will try to let you know when participants are in their final visit windows. The FiCTION research team would like to thank everyone for their efforts in this final push. Remember, this is what all the work over the last few years has been towards!



Update on IMPACT

by Heather Coventry



Pictured: Heather Coventry

A little while ago, practices in the North East and Scotland were visited by Heather Coventry. Heather is a Clinical Fellow in Paediatric Dentistry at Newcastle Dental School and had asked practices to assist her. Ready made research packs went out to patients who had been agreed to be screened for FiCTION.

As so many of you were considerate enough to assist Heather with this, we thought you may like an update on how the data collection is going. We caught up with Heather and asked her to explain where she was up to with the project.

For those practices not involved, could you give some brief background on IMPACT?

IMPACT is investigating the parental effects of participating in a randomised controlled trial (FiCTION) in primary care in terms of the parents dental anxiety, oral health related-quality of life and attitude towards dental care and that of their children. IMPACT has recruited parents whose children are participating in the FiCTION Trial as well as some parents whose children were screened for FiCTION but are not participating in the FiCTION trial due to ineligibility or, in some cases, unwillingness to take part in FiCTION. Recruitment for IMPACT has been from 13 FiCTION practices in Scotland and 14 in North-East England.

The parents are asked to stay in IMPACT for 18 months. They are all asked to complete two questionnaires at home; one at baseline and then again 18 months later. I am also in the middle of a qualitative study which is investigating whether there is any difference in parents knowledge, understanding, views and perceptions relating to their dental care & that of their children, between those parents whose children are participating in FiCTION and those parents whose children are not participating in FiCTION.

The PhD study is being funded by Newcastle University and NHS Education for Scotland (through SDPBRN—Scottish Dental Practice Based Research Network). My supervisors are Professor Anne Maguire (Newcastle University), Dr Katie Houghton (Newcastle University) and Professor Jan Clarkson (University of Dundee).

How did you select the practices that you would include in IMPACT?

We approached all the dental practices participating in FiCTION in Scotland and North-East England and explained the study to them. We were delighted that many of these dental practices agreed to take part in IMPACT by allowing us to invite families who had been screened for FiCTION to take part in IMPACT.

From the packs that were given out by the practices, has the return rate been good?

The response rate has been very good. We have now collected all the baseline questionnaire data and are in the midst of sending out and collecting the 18 month follow up questionnaires.

When do you expect to have results from the study?

The last 18 month follow up questionnaire will be sent out in January 2017. The data will then be analysed and we hope to have the results in July 2017.

Is there anything else that you would like / need practices to do to assist you moving forward?

We are extremely grateful to the practices for the help they have provided so far in allowing us to invite their families to take part in IMPACT. Passing on any queries to me and encouraging parents to return the 18 month follow up questionnaires over the next 16 months would be really helpful.

Is there anything else you'd like to add?

The study team would like to sincerely thank all the practices that have also agreed to take part in IMPACT. I have been fortunate enough to visit many of the practices who are taking part in the FiCTION Trial in Scotland and North-East England. They are all doing a great job for FiCTION and I'm really grateful that they have extended such a welcoming and co-operative approach to IMPACT – its really appreciated!

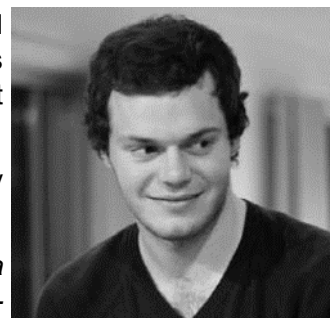


Au Revoir to Matthew Stewart, FiCTION's Clinical Researcher

In this issue of the newsletter we bring the news that Matthew Stewart, the trial Clinical Researcher will be leaving the team at the end of this month. During his time with the trial, Matthew has been able to be out on the road and will have met the majority of the dental team that are involved in the trial in each of the centres.

Matthew is leaving the trial to return to Community Dental Service in the lovely town of Dunoon, over on the West Coast of Scotland.

Speaking of his time working on the FiCTION Trial, Matthew said, *"I have had a fantastic time working with the FiCTION research team and all the FiCTION practice teams involved with the trial across the UK. I am really looking forward to reading the final results from the trial in 2018 and wish everyone the best during the follow up of their participants."*



Pictured: Matthew Stewart



Pictured: Dunoon

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Matthew for all his work on the trial, and I am sure you will join us in wishing him the best of luck in his new post.

Welcome to Mark Robertson, FiCTION's new FiCTION Clinical Researcher



Pictured: Mark Robertson

Taking the baton from Matthew we have Mark Robertson. Mark will be joining the team based in Dundee as FiCTION's new Clinical Researcher.

Mark completed his undergraduate dental training at the University of Dundee in 2012. Subsequently, he successfully completed his Vocational Training in Newport-On-Tay before assuming the role of Core Trainee 1 in Dumfries & Galloway. This was split between Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and Public Dental Services; the latter aspect centred mainly on the provision of care for Paediatric patients and those with significant physical and / or learning disabilities.

In late 2014, Mark obtained the Membership of the Faculty of Dental Surgeons from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh before beginning a one year post as Core Trainee 2 in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at Ninewells Hospital. Throughout these postgraduate years, he developed an interest in research and it's great importance in continually improving healthcare.

With an obvious affinity for the sunny shores of Scotland's East Coast, Mark joins the FiCTION team as Clinical Research fellow, based in Dundee, and works on the core management of the trial, helping to support FiCTION dentists in the trial's delivery at a clinical level.

Speaking about taking on his role on the FiCTION Trial, Mark said, *" Having started work on the FiCTION trial earlier this month, I'm working hard to get up to speed and soak in all of the information and advice that will help make me an integral member of the team. Everyone here in Dundee has been incredibly supportive and they really have gone above and beyond to make my transition here as smooth and as welcoming as possible – for that I'm very grateful, so a big thank you to all of you."*

In the coming months I'm very much looking forward to meeting more of the team based around the UK and continuing to develop my knowledge and understanding of all that's involved in a trial as impressive and exciting as FiCTION."

BABY CONGRATULATIONS!!

We want to take this opportunity to congratulate Lorraine Arnot from Montrose Dental practice on the birth of her beautiful son Sam (pictured).

Sam made his entrance on 27th August, weighing in at a healthy 6lbs and 8oz! Both mom and baby are doing well, along with Sam's very proud big brother Ethan! From all of the FiCTION Team we would like to pass on our huge congratulations to the whole family!



Pictured: Baby Sam



PRACTICES CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN THE FICTION TRIAL

Scotland - Clinical Centre Dundee

Alderman Road Dental Practice
Barnhill Dental Practice
Bridge Street Dental Care
Forth Valley Smile Design
Kingsmeadows Dental Practice
Lomond Dental Care
Montrose Dental Care
Parkhead Dental Care
Possilpark Dental Care
Springfield PDS

Anita Belbin Dental Practice
BG Easton
Broxden Dental Centre
Jedburgh Family Dental Practice
Kingsway Dental Practice
Montgomery Street Dental Care
Mount Florida Dental
Pollock Dental Care
Springburn PDS

North East England - Clinical Centre—Newcastle

Amble Dental Practice
Brundholme Dental Practice
Burnett Dental Group
Dean Road Dental Practice
Eston Dental Practice
Framwellgate Dental Surgery
Horizon Dental Clinic
Louise Hunter & Associates
Mr A I Robson & Associates
Queensway Dental Clinic
Roseberry Dental Practice
Shiremoor Dental Practice
Shotley Bridge Dental Care
Stanley Dental Practice
Sunderland Road Dental Practice
The Square Dental Practice
The Whitley Bay Dental Clinic
Whickham Dental Practice

North West England Clinical Centre—Yorkshire

Ash Dental
DCO Dental
Devonshire Quarter Dental Practice
Hafren House
High Green Dental Practice
JEM Dental Practice
Leeds CDS
Orgreave Dental Surgery
Pearl Dental Clinic
Perfect Smile Clinic
Windsor Dental

Wales Clinical Centre—Cardiff

Colchester Dental Surgery
Hillcrest Dental Practice
Llantarnam Dental Practice
Port Talbot Resource Centre

South West England Clinical Centre—London

B Davidoff Dental Surgery
E2 Dental Practice
Eastside Dental Practice
Family Dental Care
Family Dental Practice
Salmon Lane Dental Care
Stoke Newington Dental Practice
Triangle Dental Practice
Wanstead Village Dental & Health Centre

