



Newsletter

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A VERY BIG THANK YOU

to everyone who has collaborated with us on the **ColoRectal Early Diagnosis: Information Based Local Evaluation (CREDIBLE)** study.



We are funded by the National Awareness and Early Diagnosis Initiative (NAEDI) which in turn is a collaboration of Cancer Research UK, National Cancer Action Team and DH.

Clinical support for reviewing records is funded by the Primary Care Research Network.

This is a quick update of progress so far.

Participating Practices:

Regis Medical Centre, Rowley Regis
Drs Leadbeater and Bhimji, Tipton
Black Country Family Practice, Tipton
Drs Gudi, Hill Top, West Bromwich
Drs Pal&Jemahl, Great Barr
Whiteheath Medical Centre, Oldbury
Oakwood, Izons Rd, West Bromwich
Glebefields Medical Centre, Tipton
Dr MS Mashicharan, Oldbury
Dr S Kaur, Oldbury
HillTop Medical Centre, Oldbury

The software was piloted at:

Oakham surgery, Tividale.

Practices about to start:

Stonecross Medical Centre, West Bromwich
Great Barr Practice
Sundial Lane Surgery, Great Barr
Hill Top, New Street, West Bromwich
Dartmouth Medical Centre, West Bromwich
Linkway Medical Practice, West Bromwich
St Paul's Medical Centre, Smethwick
Clifton Lane surgery, Stone Cross
Lodge Road Surgery, Smethwick
The Spires Health Centre, West Bromwich
Eve Hill (Dudley)
Sai surgery, Great Bridge

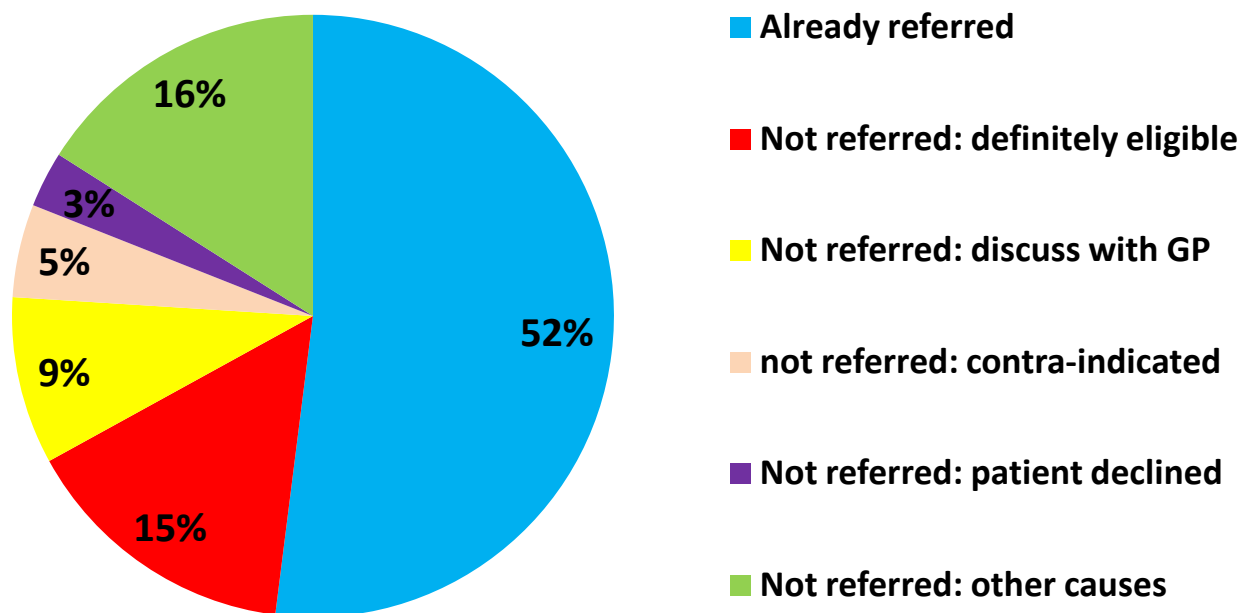
We have been hampered by a technical hitch in SystmOne practices, but we are hopeful of an imminent start date.

23 GP Practices have been recruited – one to pilot initial programme, and 22 to run the programme. We have preliminary data from initial programme sweeps in 11 practices, with a combined population of 82,318 patients:

Initial electronic sweeps	number
Number of practices	11
Total patients' records checked electronically	82,318
Total patients flagged up	486
Patients in study age (60-79) flagged up	299

Of 299 patients identified as eligible on the initial sweep, around half (52%) had already been referred for further investigation. Around a quarter (24%) of patients identified by the programme may benefit from a check-up for bowel disease, with 15% definitely eligible.

Patients identified as eligible for referral on initial sweep



Our next challenge is to see how quickly we can get eligible patients seen and then referred as appropriate.

Your continued co-operation in prompt review/approval of patients to be invited is much appreciated.

- Just a reminder: we are selecting patients for an appointment if they meet NICE referral criteria.
- If you refer a CREDIBLE patient on for further investigation, please write "CREDIBLE study" on the 2 week referral form, to help us track patients more easily.

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