

Children's Research Summer Newsletter



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Our team has welcomed 3 new nurses over the past month and we hope that you will see them around the wards and other departments soon. Last month we were pleased to hear that we have been nominated for a Nursing Times Award! This is an exciting achievement for us so please wish us luck for the presentation.

With CQC planning to look at research on their next visit, we would welcome any staff that are interested to know more about research. If you ever had a patient that asked about clinical trials in this hospital, you could always give us a call.

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Or come and visit us in clinic 4, level 7 (RLH) next to lung function.



We had a lovely time meeting the director of children's nursing, Kath Evans, at our team away day.



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In haematology we have opened a new study for sickle cell patients titled "A prospective open label, pharmacokinetic study of an oral hydroxyurea solution in children with sickle cell anemia". In June we were the first UK hospital to consent a patient to this study.



In diabetes we have an exciting new project called USTEKID. This is a study to trial Ustekinumab, which is a human immunosuppressive in teenagers newly diagnosed with Type One Diabetes. This drug is already used in this age group for adolescents suffering with Crohns or Psoriasis. The research team are hoping that by having these 8 weekly injections it will help to preserve what beta-cells in the pancreas a newly diagnosed still has of their own, leading to better long term outcomes for the patient as it has been shown that by even retaining 5% of your own beta-cells can have significant long term benefits.

Please check out <https://www.type1diabetesresearch.org.uk/current-trials/ustekid/> for more information and a video clip about the study.

Useful Links

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/> - This website offers information and updates regarding clinical research in the UK as well as e-learning for GCP including the refresher course.

<http://www.invo.org.uk/> - this website has information about research and how to get involved.

BYPRAG

The Barts Young People's Research Advisory Group (BYPRAG) is open to patients 8-18years old. We learn about research and organise fun activities. The group is always ready to welcome children who have not participated in research before but are interested to learn more. Please pass this information to any patients that may be interested.

