



# NASH

National Audit of Seizure management in Hospitals

January 2011

### New NASH Timetable:

#### **Jan - Feb 2011**

Pilot study data collection and analysis

#### **Mar - May 2011**

Data collection

#### **May 2011**

Initial data analysis, including individual Trust reports.

#### **June 2011**

Further data analysis at national and regional level exploring the relationships between organisational and clinical variables.

### **Interested Sites**



### **NASH Website**

[www.nashstudy.org.uk](http://www.nashstudy.org.uk)

The NASH website is now live. Here you can find the latest news on the audit, see which sites are participating, download the NASH newsletters and access the audit tool.

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### **Latest news**

Welcome to this newsletter giving the latest update on NASH. Our pilot study is well underway - with almost 20 hospitals taking part. So that we have enough time to analyse the pilot data fully and address any issues to ensure that the study proper runs as smoothly as possible, the data entry period has now changed.

Data entry will now commence on 1st March, instead of 1st February. We are, however, still keeping the data entry period open for 3 months, meaning the data entry period closes at the end of May. An amended NASH timetable is shown in the column to the left.

### **Web-based data collection tool**

NASH will be collecting data via a web-based tool. You can get a preview of this tool by visiting our web site and clicking on the audit tab. Having the data collected via the web has a number of benefits, both to you and to the study office. There is no delay in collecting the data - or in chasing up queries.

Help notes are available for each question to allow you to understand what data we are looking for. It also allows us

to have real-time updates of the numbers of patients recruited.

In cases where you are away from the internet, or unable to connect, we are hoping to develop an app which will allow you to enter data on to a spreadsheet for later upload.

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**Patient Data** Logout

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Click on the image by the question numbers to show/hide the help notes.

| Auditor   | Demographics | Care pre-seizure | Management at the time of admission | Acute seizure management |
|---|--------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <p>2.1 Patient audit number<br/>The patient audit number is automatically assigned by the system</p> <p>2.2 Age<br/>[ ] Years</p> <p>2.3 Gender<br/>Male Female Inquire</p> |              |                  |                                     |                          |

Once data collection is complete we will be producing individual Trust reports that can be downloaded from the website.

If you want to find out more about NASH or have any queries about the study, please email [info@nashstudy.org.uk](mailto:info@nashstudy.org.uk)

### **Who should take part?**

NASH is concerned with patients presenting to Emergency Departments as a result of having a seizure. As such, it covers both ED and neurology specialities. We have no preference as to which specialty the person entering the data belongs to.

Indeed, the work could be split between two people.

No detailed medical knowledge is needed, so audit staff can also enter the data.

Furthermore, NASH would be an ideal project

for a junior doctor to take on. Taking part in, and understanding, audits forms part of their training. As a national audit, NASH is well placed to fulfil this, as well as making them aware of any future guidelines for acute seizure management.