

# What's on the HORIZON?

## One Thousand Baseline Questionnaires Returned



Thank you all for your continued hard work with approaching and consenting patients to the study – we are continuing to see a high proportion of eligible patients approached (87%) across all cohorts. We are also very grateful for the high level of Case Report Forms returned (90%), please keep this up!

Our return rate for our baseline questionnaires remains high at 78%, showing a high level of

engagement from our participants. We also celebrated the return of our 1,000<sup>th</sup> baseline questionnaire and 500<sup>th</sup> three month follow-up questionnaire! It is vital we maintain these great levels of engagement to capture a wide range of views and experiences so, if possible, please remind participants to complete and return their questionnaires when they can.

### #WearingWhite for World Cancer Day

In the run up to World Cancer Day 2018, the team dressed in white to show support for the research and work carried out by doctors, nurses, scientists and researchers to help beat cancer sooner.

Follow us on Twitter @HORIZONS\_MSRG for more updates from the team.



### Recruitment So Far:

1,400 patients are taking part in HORIZONS

Breast cancer	85% approached	Gynaecological cancers	90% approached	Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	80% approached
	536 consented		588 consented		276 consented
	82% Baseline Qs returned		78% Baseline Qs returned		80% Baseline Qs returned

### Congratulations to...

East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust who recruited our 900<sup>th</sup> participant!

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust who recruited our 1,000<sup>th</sup> participant!

Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust who recruited our 1,100<sup>th</sup> participant!

Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust who recruited our 1,200<sup>th</sup> participant!

Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust who recruited our first Vulval Cancer patient!

Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre who recruited our 1,300<sup>th</sup> participant!

Barts Health NHS Trust who recruited our 1,400<sup>th</sup> participant!

## What's New Since Issue 4?

### Substantial Amendment 6 (SA6)

SA6, approved earlier this year, introduced recruitment of Vulval Cancer patients as part of our Gynaecological Cancers cohort. We appreciate this may be a challenging group to recruit to, but the data generated will be invaluable as these patients are often underrepresented in research.



### Recruiting sites

2018 continues to be a very busy time for the team as we enter the final stages of opening recruiting sites. **We have our final site list** which brings our total to 78 sites across the UK. We hope to open everyone by Easter 2018.



We currently have **64 sites open** to recruitment which covers **91 hospitals** across the UK.

## Introducing: Shyama Persaud



We are very pleased to welcome Shyama Persaud, our new London Trial Coordinator for the HORIZONS programme!

*"I am very excited to have joined the HORIZONS team. Having worked within clinical research teams in the*

*NHS, I feel extremely lucky to now be working on a study that has the potential to contribute significantly to understanding the real life impact of living with and beyond cancer. Certainly, the commitment and focus of the participating teams is inspiring."*

## Upcoming Events

### British Psychosocial Oncology Society (BPOS) Conference 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> March, Southampton

Dr Becky Foster will be presenting our experiences from the initial phases of the HORIZONS programme including lessons learnt for setting up the cohorts and characteristics of the patients recruited between September 2016 to May 2017.



## Some gentle reminders

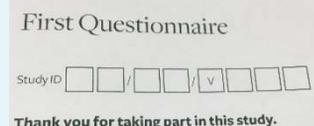
### Requesting new study packs

- We would really appreciate it if you could please proactively assess your existing study pack stock. We are now working with over 90 hospitals and to assemble and send these is time- and resource-intensive so please ensure you give us plenty of time to process your requests.
- Regular assessment will also ensure we keep track of our stock of questionnaires which, as you can appreciate, are expensive to produce.



### Study IDs

- Please remember to **complete the Study ID on all study documents before handing to participants**. We may have to destroy and lose valuable data if we are unable to identify who the questionnaire is from!



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