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PedCRIN support for multinational clinical studies

The PedCRIN funded WE Study (Walking Easier with cerebral palsy) is a double blind placebo controlled randomized trial in children between 4-17 years. This trial will enroll 96 children in three European countries: Norway, France and Poland. The Polish site had its first patient included in May this year. More information about the WE-study can be found on the PedCRIN website.

The PedCRIN-funded trial POPART (Prophylactic Oropharyngeal Surfactant for Preterm infant: A Randomised Trial) has started recruiting outside Ireland - the sponsor country. This trial will enroll 250 infants in seven European countries: Ireland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Czech Republic, Italy and Portugal.

So far, a total of 118 babies have been enrolled (100 in the coordinating country Ireland and 18 in the other EU countries). Several other sites in the other participating countries are due to open soon. Read more about the POPART-study and recruitment on the PedCRIN website.
PedCRIN Advisory Board Meeting

The PedCRIN Advisory Board Meeting took place in Paris on May 27 2019. The Advisory Board members congratulated the PedCRIN team for its achievements in terms of tools for Paediatric and Neonatal Clinical Research. The Advisory Board emphasized to establish a strategy for sustainability of PedCRIN tools.

Communication and Consultation toolkits

As mentioned in the previous newsletter number 4, Workpackage 5 (dissemination and communication) of the PedCRIN-project developed a communication and a consultation toolkit. All PedCRIN partners can use this communication toolkits for all their communication activities. Those partners who are able to perform a consultation with children and/or parents can use this consultation toolkit to organize such consultation sessions.

PedCRIN LinkedIn profile

Besides a Twitter and Facebook account, PedCRIN also has a LinkedIn profile which currently has over 2100 followers. The #PedCRIN post had a lot of views and will stimulate investigators and funders to conduct more paediatric multinational clinical trials in Europe by reducing time and cost overhead.
What’s PedCRIN?
The Paediatric Clinical Research Infrastructure Network (PedCRIN) brings together the European Clinical Research Infrastructure Network (ECRIN) and the founding partners of the European Paediatric Clinical Trial Research Infrastructure (EPCT-RI) to develop capacity for the management of multinational paediatric non-commercial clinical trials. PedCRIN is a four-year project funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 programme, launched on the 1st January 2017 (grant agreement number 731046).
The aim of PedCRIN is to develop the necessary tools and capacity to enhance the quality, safety, efficacy and ethical standards of multinational, non-commercial paediatric clinical trials. PedCRIN will effectively bridge paediatricians and other partners across Europe (and internationally) to combine resources and expertise to conduct and manage robust studies, while minimising risk and protecting the child participants. Continue reading about the PedCRIN project, the work packages it contains and the project partners on the website. If you would like to stay informed about PedCRIN follow its Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter profiles.

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