

PROTECT-CH

Prophylactic Therapy in Care Homes Trial

Residents and Legal Representatives Introduction





Welcome to the PROTECT-CH Trial

Thank you for your interest in taking part!







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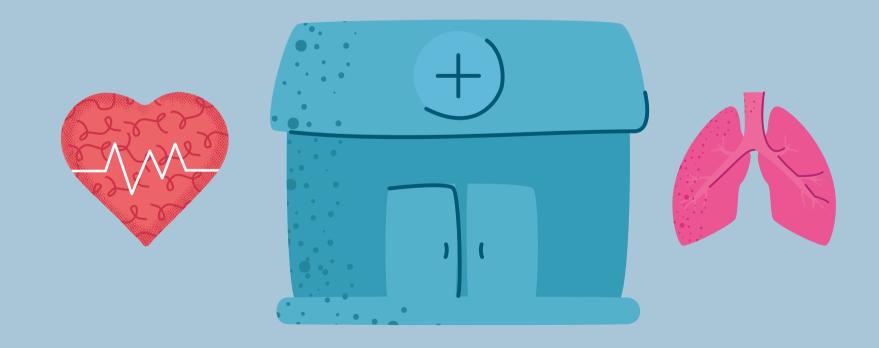


and is being conducted by the University of Nottingham

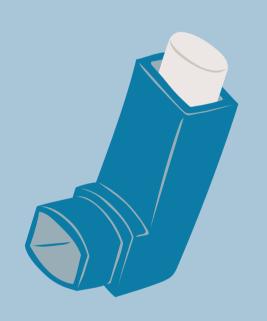


What is the trial about?

As you know, residents in care homes have a greater risk of infection and death due to COVID-19



This trial will be testing medications in residents in care homes to try to...







Reduce the number of residents who get infected with COVID-19

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AND

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AND

Help reduce the severity of the disease and number of residents who die from COVID-19

Residents do not have to take part in the trial if they do not wish to, it is a choice



What are the benefits and risks of taking part?

Government health advisors are telling us which medications they want us to test





We don't know which medications may help prevent or reduce the spread of COVID-19

Taking part may not directly benefit residents but information collected could help others in the future



All medications have side effects and these will be discussed in advance with residents (or, if they lack capacity, with their legal representative)

What does that mean for residents?

All care homes taking part in the trial will be allocated to one of the following groups:

A trial medication which aims to reduce severity and transmission of COVID-19 (plus usual care)



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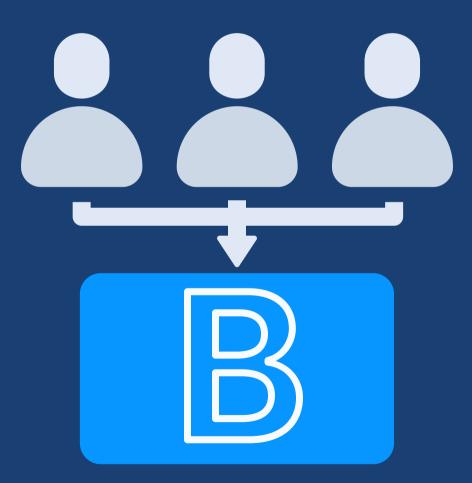
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Continue with usual care (No trial medication)



All residents involved in the trial at the same care home will be allocated to the same group





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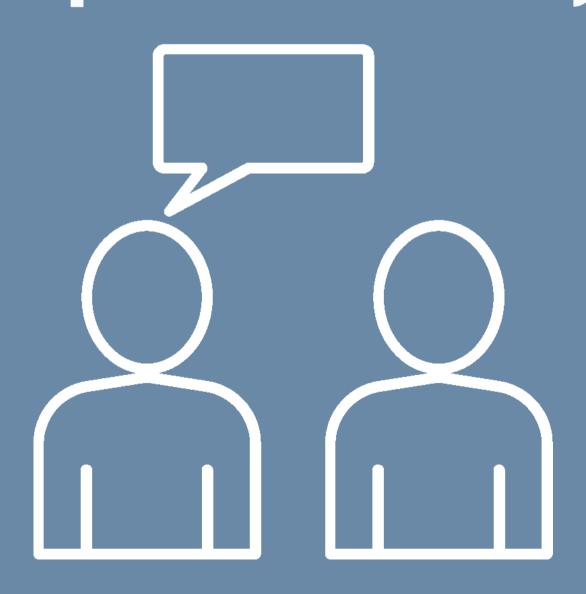


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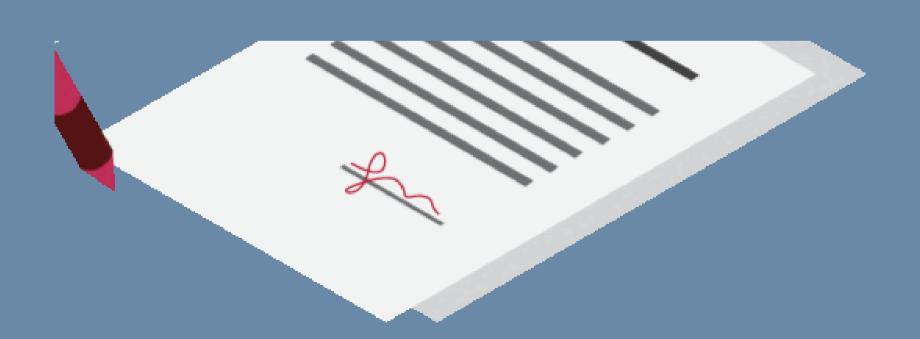
This is the only way we can tell if the trial medication works or not

How do residents sign up to take part?

The care home and research team will discuss the trial with each resident (or, if they lack capacity, with their legal representative)



Residents (or, if they lack capacity, their legal representative) will be given some information about the trial and, if they agree to take part, will be asked to sign a consent form



What does taking part actually involve?

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After consent has been given, the resident's GP will be asked for information about the resident's health to ensure they are eligible and can take the trial medication





Care home staff will complete questionnaires with details about the health of residents. Residents with capacity will also be asked to complete the questionnaires.

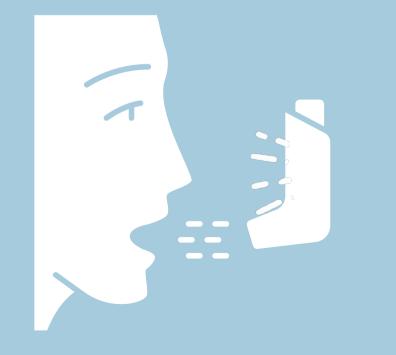




Depending on the allocated group, residents will:

Receive usual care plus a trial medication
 OR

• Just continue receiving usual care







Information about the resident's health will be collected and entered into a secure database



Can residents stop taking part in the trial?

Residents can stop trial medication or withdraw from the trial at any time

Information collected will still be used in the trial



More information

Please ask care home staff if you have any questions or visit the trial website: https://www.protect-trial.net/



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