



## **Topic: Safe and effective use of medicines**

### **Current and recently completed research projects:**

- **Comprehensive geriatric assessment for medical crises in older people**  
Investigators: J Gladman, R Harman, S Conroy, S Opinder, A Avery, S Lewis, R Elliott, D Porock, R Jones, G Dalley, P Logan & C Blainey  
Funded by: NHS NIHR, 2008
- **NHS CFHEP 005: Evaluation of the adoption of the NHS Care Record Service in Secondary Care**  
Investigators: A Sheikh, A Avery, R Elliott, N Barber, A Jacklin, T Cornford, E Klecun, J Paton, C Vincent, B Fernando, K Cresswell & R Prescott.  
Funded by: NHS Connecting for Health, April 2008 – September 2010
- **NHS CFHEP 004: Evaluation of the Electronic Prescription Service in Primary Care**  
N Barber, S Armstrong, A Avery, T Brock, B Dean Franklin, R Elliott, Dr Will Venters & Dr Justin Waring, University of Nottingham  
Funded by: NHS Connecting for Health Evaluation Programme, January 2008 – July 2010
- **Partnerships with children and adolescents in medicine-taking: Rights and responsibilities**  
Investigators: R Elliott, S Conroy, T Avery, T Whitehouse, R Churchill, M Lakhanpaul, N Gray, A Smyth, C Glazebrook & H Pandya  
Funded by SDO - Theme: Patient and carer-centred services, December 2007 – August 2009
- **Electronic transfer of prescriptions**  
Investigators: T Avery, T Cornford, N Barber, S Armstrong, R Elliott & J Waring  
Funded by NHS Connecting for Health, October 2007 – March 2010
- **Workshop: Medicines known to cause harm**  
Investigator: T Avery  
Funded by NHS Connecting for Health, October 2007 – November 2007
- **A comprehensive literature review and report on prompts and alerts at the point of prescribing**  
Investigators: D Bates, D Seger, C Keohane, J M Overhage, T Avery, N Barber, A Schedlbauer & V Prasad  
Funded by NHS Connecting for Health, March 2007 – August 2007
- **Evaluation of patient reporting to the Yellow Card System**  
Investigators: T Avery, P Hannaford, S Shakir, C Anderson, C Bond, H Fortnum, J Krska, A Lee, V Marshall, E Murphy & M Watson  
Funded by the NCCRM - National Coordinating Centre for Research Methodology, September 2007 – September 2009
- **Designing general practice surgeries and community hospitals to**

**improve patients' safety**

Investigators: S Sharples, S Atkinson, T Avery, L Pickup & S Smith  
Funded by NPSA, December 2006 – December 2008

- **A cluster randomised trial comparing the effectiveness of a pharmacist-led IT-based intervention with simple feedback in reducing rates of clinically important errors in medicines management in general practice (PINCER Trial)**  
Investigators: T Avery, J Cantril, A Sheikh, S Armstrong, R Elliott, R Howard, D Kendrick, M Marshall, C Morris, S Murray, R Prescott, M Eden, S Rodgers, J Hippisley-Cox & S Mills  
Funded by the Patient Safety Research Programme, April 2006 – March 2009
- **Hosting of a regional network in the East Midlands & South Yorkshire for the Childrens' Medicines National Research Network - The Trent Local Research Network.**  
Investigators: A Smyth, J Grigg, T Avery, H Fortnum & H Williams  
Funded by the UK Medicines for Children Research Network (MCRN), April 2006 onwards
- **An evaluation of supplementary prescribing in nursing and pharmacy (SPNP)**  
Investigators: P Ward, P Bissell, S Read, V James, C Anderson, A Hutchinson, T Avery, J Karnon, E Murphy & J Lymn  
Funded by the Department of Health, September 2005 – April 2008
- **Evaluating the use of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) ESRC-funded PhD studentship held by Garry Barton**  
Supervisors: T Avery & D Whynes  
Funded by ESRC/MRC, October 2004 – September 2007
- **META Network Proposal (A patient safety research network to re-examine the role of IT in improving patient safety)**  
Investigators: N Barber, T Avery, T Cornford, R Dingwall, I Savage & I Chi Kei Wong  
Funded by MRC/ESRC/EPSRC, January 2004 – December 2006
- **A qualitative investigation of the underlying causes of drug related morbidity in Primary Care, resulting in hospitalisation**  
Investigators: R Howard, T Avery, P Bissell & P Howard  
Funded by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, September 2003 – March 2006
- **What is the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of topical salicylic acid and cryotherapy for cutaneous (non-genital) warts - an economic decision model?**  
Investigators: K Thomas, H Williams, T Avery, S Armstrong, S Rodgers, R Fordham, I Harvey, R Holland & S Gibbs, & C Flood  
Funded by the HTA, January 2003 – December 2004
- **Dissemination of the results of from the NHS Prescribing Research Initiative**  
Investigators: T Avery, B Savelyich, T Walley, S Greenfield, N Freemantle, C Bradley, N Barber, N Britten S Rodgers & S Royal  
Funded by the Department of Health, January 2003 – March 2005

- **Realising the potential of GP computer systems for improving patient safety**  
 Investigators: T Avery, M Bainbridge, A Sheikh, B Fernando, J Cantrill, S Teasdale, M Pringle & B Savelyich  
 Funded by the National Patient Safety Agency, January 2003 – December 2003
- **Systematic review looking at drugs most commonly associated with preventable drug related admissions to hospital: B Med Sci Project**  
 Investigators: G Pipe, A Sheikh, T Avery, S Royal, R Howard & S Slavenburg  
 Funded by the BUPA Foundation, June 2002 – January 2003
- **Questionnaire study of current practice for treatment of warts in the community**  
 Investigators: H Williams, T Avery, K Thomas & S Armstrong  
 Funded by R&D award, Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, April 2002 – September 2002
- **PharmDIS-e+ (Pharmdis extension)**  
 Investigators: T Avery, J Hippisley-Cox, P Horsfield, W Kroese & B Savelyich  
 Funded by EC (CRAFT - biomed-2 Project), January 2002 – December 2004
- **Community pharmacy intervention in patients with coronary heart disease: A randomised controlled trial**  
 Investigators: C M Bond, T Avery, C Anderson & P Hannaford  
 Funded by the PSNC, June 2001 – July 2004
- **Medication - related errors in primary care: a systematic review of the prevalence, nature, causes and consequences**  
 Investigators: T Avery, A Sheikh, B Hurwitz, M Dewey, S Royal & L Smeaton  
 Funded by the BUPA, August 2001 – December 2002