

## **NEWSLETTER**

25 May 2022

**Issue 4** 



## **UPDATES**

- AFRI-c GETS THE GREENLIGHT FROM THE NIHR
  TO CONTINUE WITH WINTER 2
- WE ARE VERY CLOSE TO OUR TARGET OF 5351 DAYS! JUST 197 MORE DAYS OF DATA TO COL-LECT!!!

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Please keep entering the daily data, every day counts to help us reach our total



Target is 5351 daily data collection days

197 more forms needed



JUST ONE
WEEK TO GO—
KEEP UP THE
AMAZING WORK!!

5154 daily forms currently entered on database (as of 19th May)

#### **ALL CARE HOMES**

- Please complete the forms for staff absences. It's important for us to know if the air filters have a positive impact on the wellbeing of staff.
- We really value your opinions—so please give us your feedback on things we can improve on.
- Make sure staff complete the staff questionnaires.
- We will be asking you to invoice us for the scheduled payments—please make sure the invoice has the purchase order number.
- Site Files and IPads—at the end of the study, please put the iPad and site file in a box ready for collection by a courier. If you would like us to provide a box please let us know.

#### AIR FIITERS

Before the air filters are switched off, it is important to take a power reading and record it on the database.

The air filters are to be switched off on the 1st June.

Let us know if you want to keep your Air Filter Unit.

We will arrange couriers to collect the internal filters. The internal filters will need to be double bagged and properly labelled. A label will need to go onto the rim of the internal filter and also on the outside bag. Labels and bags will be sent to you.

# **AFR-c Gets Greenlight**

The key aim of the pilot study is to prove that AFRI-c is an effective trial that can be done safely, and will test if air filters are effective in reducing respiratory illness in care homes. To do this, the pilot study has to meet certain criteria, and needs to demonstrate to our funder (NIHR), that it can work. Thanks to the help of our amazing care homes, the NIHR was delighted to support AFRI-c and we have the greenlight to continue. We will now be looking to recruit 32 care homes to take part in Winter 2.



## Thank you

We would like to thank staff and residents for taking part in the research and would like to provide a gift. Please let us know your suggestions for a gift whether it be a hamper, craft items, vouchers etc.,

For more information about the study and some frequently asked questions, check our website:

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