

NEWSLETTER

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Issue 3

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Updates

- We think you are amazing!!! Thank you all for all your hard work so far.
- There are only 3 weeks left of data collection for AFRI-c!
- We understand some care homes are finding the data entry quicker and easier than others, if you have any best practice to share, please let us know.
- We would love to know how you have found taking part in AFRI-c. Please get in touch to tell us how we could make things easier for care homes involved next winter.
- If you know any care homes who would like to take part in AFRI-c next winter, please ask them to complete our expression of interest form:

https://afric.blogs.bristol.ac.uk/information-carehomes/

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



Target is 5351 daily data collection days

1283 more forms needed

4068 daily forms currently entered on database (as of 6th May)

Two minute staff questionnaires are live

If you have not been involved in consenting, please take 2 minutes to anonymously share your opinion about infection prevention and control, and your care home environment. Your answers will help us to understand the views of care home staff. Please use the details below to access the questionnaire:

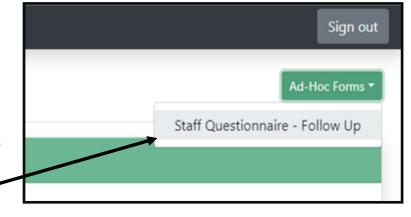
Web address:

https://www.afri.study/

<u>Username:</u> questionnaire

Password: AFRI_staff22

After logging in, please select your care home, then click on "ad hoc forms" (top right hand corner) to select the staff questionnaire.



Qualitative Interviews

Some care home staff have already given up their valuable time to take part in the qualitative interviews or help facilitate them. We are hoping to continue with interviewing staff, consultees and residents as your feedback is so important to the success of the study. Your input is invaluable for our plans for Winter 2 and Winter 3 and helps us to understand attitudes to, and experiences of the trial and the air filters.



A big thank you from our Qualitative team, Sophie and Clare, for your continuing support.

Hospitalisations & Falls

Currently the database does not allow you to report if any of your residents have been hospitalised due to a fall.

This information is really important for the research.



Our research

nurse, Laurel, will contact you over the next few weeks about this. She will have a list of dates and residents from the information you have been entering each day. Please let her know if any of the residents had a fall before they went to hospital.

Air Filters

Please keep entering energy meter readings each week. It is very important that you enter a final meter reading on the database just before you switch off the air filters at the end of

the study (1 June).

Please remember to clean the internal filter when the brush symbol shows on the main screen of the air filter. Full instructions on how to clean the internal filter are included in the Air Filter Guide (included in your welcome box).

Thank you

We would like to thank care homes for taking part in the research. We have a small budget to show our appreciation to residents and staff. Please let us know if you have any ideas about how we could spend this to benefit residents and staff.

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

https://afric.blogs.bristol.ac.uk/

Contact us: Afric-study@bristol.ac.uk



