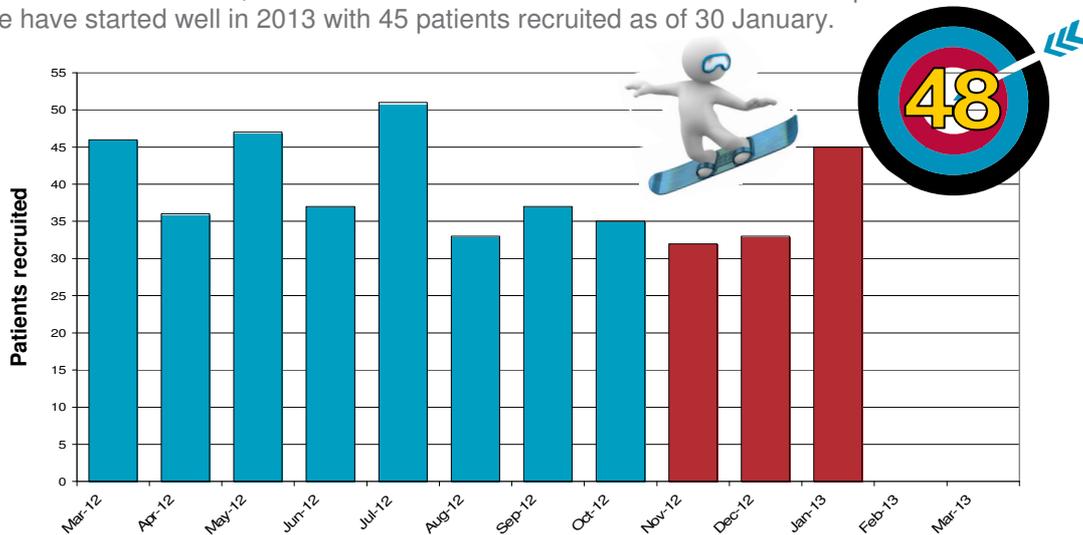


# ProMISe Newsletter

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## Make the winter months count!

After a slow start to recruitment, we need to make the most of the increase in sepsis admissions during the cold weather. We have started well in 2013 with 45 patients recruited as of 30 January.



We need **48 patients per month** to reach our revised target of completing recruitment by the end of 2013 - a good finish to winter 2012/13 could make the difference!

## How we've kept our ProMISe

Kate Clayton at Salford Royal Hospital has a background in ICU and ten years experience working for the Department of Health as a project manager of clinically based projects. She started as a research nurse in January 2012, and talks about her experience of the ProMISe Trial...

"I know that the way to get nurses involved and enthusiastic is to roll your sleeves up and get your hands dirty. I do not have a desk, so on my first day I nervously sat at the nurses' station in Resus (which is a new 8 bedded critical care facility). I immediately felt at home. As the shift wore on and became increasingly busy, I jumped up to help; when A&E was short staffed, I took patients if an ambulance crew arrived and there was nobody to hand the patient to. Bit by bit the nurses and medics saw me as part of the team, and wanted to help me in return for me helping them.

I decided to carry a bleep 24/7, and was subsequently bleeped with every septic patient in A&E. Each referral I got I used as a teaching opportunity; it is a balancing act of not discouraging the referrals when they are inappropriate, whilst encouraging staff to refer again.

Our A&E is a very busy department but our A&E clinicians and medical and surgical colleagues will insert the PreSep catheters in the department.

As I work every day in Resus, I am well known to all staff. Research is now fully embedded in the department, and I am fully embedded in the team... culminating in **recruiting 5 patients in 24 hours!**"

## The Winter Leaderboard

Congratulations to our highest recruiters between October and December 2012. All the sites listed have recruited above target during this period.

WHISTON HOSPITAL	8
BARNSELY HOSPITAL	7
LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY	7
SALFORD ROYAL HOSPITAL	7
THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL, KING'S LYNN	6
HULL ROYAL INFIRMARY	5
ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL	5

# welcome

A very warm welcome to...

**Blackpool Victoria Hospital**

**Queen's Medical Centre (Nottingham)** and

**Whipps Cross University Hospital**

who have recently opened to recruitment!

**Protocolised Management In Sepsis**

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# ProMISe Awards 2012!

With the Oscars and BAFTAs approaching, we are kicking off the awards season with our highly anticipated ProMISe Awards of 2012 to celebrate and recognise the achievements of some of our sites. Each category was closely fought, so thank you for all your efforts recruiting 465 patients during 2012. And the winners are...

## ★ Highest recruiting ★

### Whiston Hospital - 32 patients

"Everyone involved is a team player and we have excellent links between A&E and ITU. Our motto is: Suspect sepsis think ProMISe!"

*Sue Dowling & Mandy McCairn*

## ★ Outstanding teamwork ★

### The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn

"Regular ad hoc training sessions, and by teaching ProMISe in our mandatory training day. Making sure the ProMISe team (based in ITU) maintain a high profile in the ED department."

*Kate Wong*

## ★ Best supporting role ★

### Royal Lancaster Infirmary

"Sharing ideas and information boosts morale, inspires confidence and leads to success. Our ITU, AMU and ED work as a great research team and we aim to inspire others."

*Jayne Craig*

## ★ Outstanding debut performance ★

### North Devon District Hospital - 9 days to recruit

"The thanks is entirely due to our hugely enthusiastic nursing staff who have tripped over each other in the rush to identify potential patients."

*Liam Kevern*

## ★ Best validated data ★

### Musgrove Park Hospital

"It is important to provide accurate data to ensure that the quality and credibility of the trial is maintained."

*Angela Locke, Pippa Richards,  
Dawn Bayford & Trish Doble*

## ★ Most improved ★

### Barnsley Hospital

"The appointment of a ED Research Nurse which enabled the clinical team to improve sepsis awareness, identifying suitable patients early, and a willingness and ability to recruit 24/7."

*Sally Anne Pearson*

## ★ Most ambitious funding model ★

### The Royal London Hospital / Whipps Cross University Hospital - cross site cover

"16-hour, 7 days-a-week cover across 2 sites, with 3 research nurses on rota moved by taxi to recruit into study. Screening by ED staff."

*Jason Pott*

## ★ Best patient audit ★

### Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

"We identify patients via A&E/AAU/CCOT referral and/or viewing patients' initial diagnosis 'live' electronically as they come into A&E. We also audit all missed patients 'out-of-hours', which resulted in a research nurse being provided to cover weekends to increase recruitment."

*Jaime Cargunglong*

## ★ Finest 'self-raising' awareness ★

### Frenchay Hospital - ProMISe cupcakes

"The cupcakes helped to sweeten the staff and made us a popular team to work with, therefore keeping ProMISe in mind!"

*Emmy Oldenbourg & Anna Gilbertson*



**Congratulations to all our winners! Who will make an early claim for a ProMISe Award 2013...?**

## Dates for your diary

### Next Teleconferences

26 February 2013, 12:30 – 13:30

26 March 2013, 12:30 – 13:30

### 16th Annual Meeting of the Case Mix Programme

Thursday 18 April 2013

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