

RECRUITMENT EMAIL

ETH21-5966:

Development of a core outcome measurement set for studies of interventions to enable communication in adults requiring an artificial airway with or without mechanical ventilator support

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are currently seeking your interest and help in contacting people who have experience or an interest in communication interventions for people with artificial airways. We are planning an international study that aims to understand and develop a core outcome set for use in future research related to communication interventions for critically ill patients with an artificial airway. A core outcome set is a consensus-based minimum set of outcomes that should be measured and reported in all clinical research. This research has been approved by the ethics committee of the University of Technology Sydney ETH21-5966 and registered on <https://www.comet-initiative.org/Studies/Details/1671>

This research is being conducted over four (4) phases.

Phase 1: Patient and Family interviews to understand what is important for future research to help patients with a breathing tube communicate.

Phase 2: Delphi study. A Delphi study is a way to get everyone's opinion on what to measure. This survey will be completed online and take approximately 20 minutes.

Phase 3: Consensus on core outcome set: A meeting to reach agreement on the most important outcomes to measure. This meeting will be held online via Zoom and take approximately 2 hours.

Phase 4: Measurement tools. A meeting to determine the best tools to measure the core communication outcome set. This meeting will be held online via Zoom and take approximately 2 hours.

You are able to choose to participate in one or all phases.

We are seeking to develop the core outcome set with key stakeholders including patients, clinicians and researchers from around the world. The study has been registered on the COMET database.

We would be grateful if you would consider forwarding this email to anyone who you think maybe interested in participating in this research.

Email rebecca.sullivan-1@student.uts.edu.au if you want to register your interest in participating in the research project.

Please email me directly amy.freeman-sanderson@uts.edu.au if you have any questions. If you would like to talk to someone who is not connected with the research, you may contact the Research Ethics Officer on 02 9514 9772 or Research.ethics@uts.edu.au and quote this number [UTS HREC 21-5966]

Thank you very much for your consideration and help with sharing this information.

Yours sincerely,

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