

# TRADIP NEWSLETTER

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*Therapeutic Radiographer and Dietitian Prescribing*



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The last year has been very busy for the TRaDiP study. Our focus for the first half of the year was on data collection at our case sites. Three dietetics services and four radiotherapy services took part.

At these sites we spoke to prescribers, their colleagues and patients about prescribing and the impact it had on the services and care. We're extremely grateful to everyone who participated.

We are now working on analysis of the data. This will include quantitative, statistical, qualitative analysis, and analysis by the Health Economics team at the University of Sussex.

Another focus has been development of the prescribing toolkits. We have been working with healthcare professionals, patients and carers to develop a range of resources to inform and support prescribers and their patients.

## IN THIS NEWSLETTER:

More detailed updates on our case studies, toolkit and health economics analysis.

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## CASE STUDIES

We have completed work at all our case sites. Three dietitian services and four radiotherapy services from across England took part.

We interviewed 32 staff members and 27 patients, and received 180 patient questionnaires.

We also gathered information about prescriber and non-prescriber working practices, by collecting 513 self-reports from practitioners, and are assessing the safety of prescribing decisions.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in this work.

## HEALTH ECONOMICS

The health economics team at the University of Sussex are now working on analysis of data from the case sites.

They have developed a model to carry out a cost-effectiveness analysis. This will take into account factors including patient satisfaction, safety and waiting times.

## PRESCRIBING TOOLKIT

We've worked with patients, carers and healthcare professionals to produce a "Who's who guide to prescribing" leaflet. This explains which professions could prescribe, what they do and where you may be treated by them.

We are now gathering testimony from prescribers about their experience of the prescribing qualification, and how they managed the transition from the course to prescribing in practice. We hope this will support professionals as they begin prescribing.

These toolkits will be hosted on the NHS Learning Hub, [here](#). This is a resource available to all healthcare professionals and academics.

## CONFERENCES

Data from the TRaDiP study has been presented at the BDA conference, the Association for Prescribers conference and ESTRO.

We have also published a Health Economics scoping review in BMJ open. You can read it [here](#).



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