

Brain Injury HTC Newsletter

Welcome to issue 1 of our newsletter, which is aimed at people who have been affected by a brain injury.

About us

The NIHR Brain Injury HTC is one of eight national Healthcare Technology Co-operatives (HTCs) funded by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR).



The NIHR Brain Injury HTC works with industry to develop new medical devices, healthcare technologies and technology-dependent interventions to improve treatment and quality of life for patients with brain injuries.

Can a new computer game help people recover from brain injury?

After a brain injury, people may have difficulty remembering things, with language and with paying attention. Researchers at Cambridge University are developing a new computer game to try to help with recovering these abilities.

The idea is that, by playing the new game, people with a brain injury will be able train themselves to keep their concentration, and to improve their reasoning and problem solving.

The game will run on a hand-held iPad so that it can be used anywhere.

We are looking for people to help with the development of the game. We are asking people who live near Cambridge to travel to Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge, to play the game and give feedback to the team. The visit should take only one hour and reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed.

If you are over 18, recovering from a traumatic brain injury that occurred between one and six years ago and would like to try out the game, please contact:

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Intensive Care Units (ICU) Survey and Workshop

The first of a series of themed workshops on the needs of patients with brain injuries and their carers will take place on 10th November 2015 in Cambridge UK. This workshop will be on the theme of Intensive Care. Before the workshop we are asking people to contribute their views in the form of a survey of the needs of patients in ICU. Patients, carers and relatives will discuss the survey results in the in the workshop and assess which needs should take priority.

If you or your relative has

- suffered a brain injury *and*
- was in intensive care or on a high dependency unit *and*
- left intensive care at least six months ago

and would like to take part in our survey or workshop, please write or email to us at the contact details below.

You can also complete the survey online or download a printed version at <https://brainhtc.org/getinvolved>

Patient and Carer Register



Are you interested in getting involved in the work of the HTC? You can volunteer by joining our register of interested people. You may have experienced a brain injury yourself, or may be a relative or carer of a patient.

By signing up to the register you give us permission to invite you to take part in surveys, focus groups, workshops or other events, but being on the register does not commit you to anything

For more information and details of how to join please contact us by email, phone or post, or visit:-
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