## Participant in Research Experience Survey (PRES)

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# What obstacles or opportunities do you see for delivering PRES?

### **PRES** questions

#### **Optional**:

- ages 0-6; 7-11; 12-15
- demographics
- contact information

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#### FOR STAFF USE:

Study name/acronym: \_\_\_\_\_

Research site (Hospital/GP Practice): \_\_\_\_\_

Study IRAS/CPMS Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate how strongly you disagree or agree with the following statements about your research experience by ticking the face or circle that matches your answer best.

The information that I received before taking part prepared me for my experience on the study

Strongly disagree 🔞 😟 😂 😂 Strongly agree I don't remember 🔘

I feel I have been kept updated about the research

Strongly disagree 🛞 😟 😳 😂 Strongly agree It is too early to tell 🔘

I know how I will receive the results of the research

Yes O Yes, to some extent O No O

I know how to contact someone from the research team if I have any questions or concerns

Strongly disagree 🛞 🙁 😳 🕃 Strongly agree

The researchers have valued my taking part in the research Strongly disagree (a) (a) (a) (b) (b) Strongly agree

Research staff have always treated me with courtesy and respect
Strongly disagree

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I would consider taking part in research again Strongly disagree 😧 😟 😳 🔂 Strongly agree Please use the boxes below to explain your answers to the above questions or provide any other feedback on your experience in research.

The comments that you write will be read in full by your healthcare provider and NIHR. We may use your comments in reports about research and for promotional activities, but we will remove any information that could identify you before publishing any of your feedback.

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What was positive about your research experience?

What would have made your research experience better?

How long have you been taking part in this research study?

Less than three months O At least three months but less than one year O At least one year but less than three years O Three years o longer O Not sure O

Is this the first research study you have taken part in? Yes  $\bigcirc$  No  $\bigcirc$ 

Who completed the survey? The person taking part in the research O The person taking part in the research with someone else O Someone else on behalf of the person taking part in the research O

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## PRES methodology

- Regionally adapted and coordinated
- Delivery teams distribute
- Paper or online
- 5-mins to complete
- Given at final or the same stage of engagement
- Complete it alone
- Once per person per study
- Doesn't need HRA REC approval



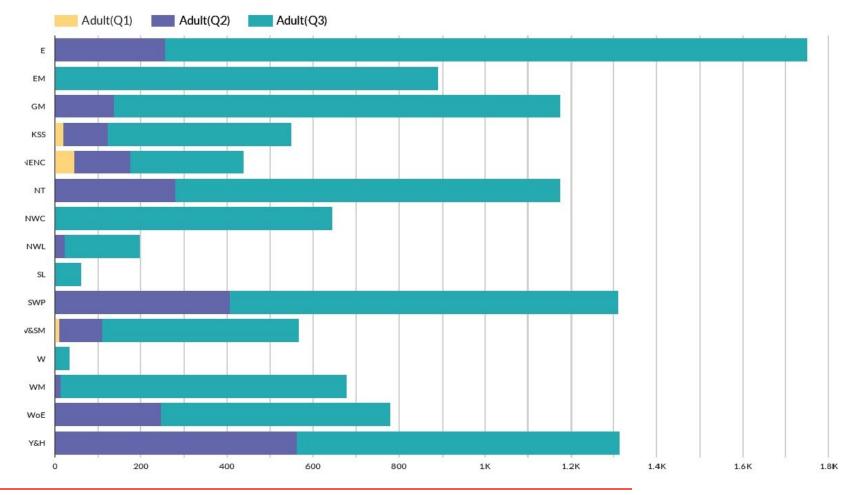
# How might you use the PRES results?



### Q3 2020/21

- 11,562 adult responses
- 456 studies
- 178/357 Trusts & CCGs
- 75% of responses for UPH
  - 43% of which vaccines
- 49% digital responses

Highest responding studies <i>(vaccine)</i>	п
SIREN	3109
Novavax <i>(V)</i>	2839
Oxford/AstraZeneca (v)	1905
ENSEMBLE 2 (V)	414
Clinical Characterisation Protocol for Severe Emerging Infection	293



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### Example themes from PRES 20/21

#### **COVID Vaccines**

Fears about site safety is arising as a minor but present issue. One participant reported receiving no information about how the hospital was being made COVID safe

Participants are not arriving with realistic expectations about visit lengths and waiting timeswait times can then feel disorganised when participants don't know what is going on

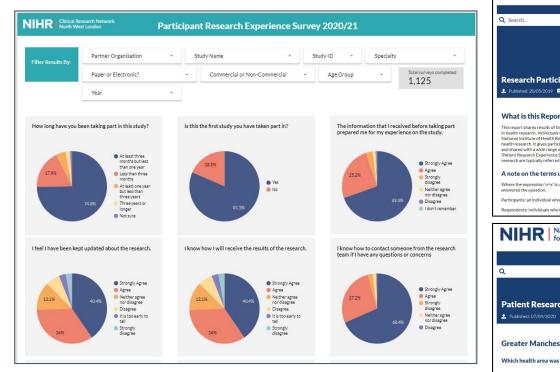
Use of apps and journals is confusing some participants and they are not clear where to get support from with this.

Many participants are receiving less communication than they expected about the study progress and what's expected from them eg reminders about their next visit

Participants want greater clarity about how the roll out of approved vaccines will affect the study they are part of and also updates when there are issues in the news such as trials stopping due to safety

### Example themes from PRES 19/20

Insights	Recommendations
Regular communication, throughout the research process, was highlighted as being important to a lot of people.	Keeping people informed about research changes and procedures at all stages of the project may help keep people's motivation to continue
People participate in studies for a range of individual reasons both personal and altruistic.	Understanding a person's motivation for participating can help you to understand how to make them feel more fully engaged.
The relationship with the research team impacts on whether participants have a positive research experience.	Experiences with the research team could be made even better through improved scheduling and preparedness and ensuring the research team are available to answer questions and address arising concerns.





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# **Examples from PRES**





#### NIHR CRN East Midlands @NIHRCRNEastMids

It's fantastic to see that so many people who have taken part in #COVID19 research are interested in being involved in more research studies in the future! #ResearchVsCovid

#### NIHR Clinical Research Network East Midlands

97%

of people who took part in COVID-19 research in the East Midlands said that they would consider taking part in research again

#### NIHR Clinical Research Network Eastern

Recruitment Enhancement Tool for Research Delivery Teams: Learning from the experience of people who have taken part in research

This document is a recruitment enhancement tool, designed for use by clinical research teams delivering research studies. The information contained in this document is based on feedback from over 7,000 research participants between 2015 and 2020 via the Participant in Research Experience Survey. The survey is produced by the NIHR Clinical Research Network Eastern and delivered annually by research teams across the Eastern region. The information in this document comes directly from people who have taken part in a research study, their works, their experiences and their ideas for improvement.

The aim of the document is to give research staff a better understanding of what is important to the participant during the delivery of the research, so that they can make improvements in the service they provide and enhance participant experience where possible. Improving participant experience will help to ensure recruitment and retention to the study is successful.

#### Your voice is important too!

Research delivery staff can be influencers. You may feel that you cannot control what national study teams provide, however you are the patient's advocate. Feeding back comments and suggestions from patients on how to improve study delivery may not result in changes to the current study protocol built is could influence future study design.

NIHR Clinical Research Network Thames Valley and South Midlands

CRN TVSM staff: could public volunteers help you explain your study better to patients?



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Additional links:

- <u>NIHR website</u>
- <u>NIHR CRN</u>
- <u>NIHR CRN Portfolio</u>
- <u>PRES</u>