

# ICU Rehabilitation (ICURehab) - Frequently Asked Questions

## **Which organisations should be participating in the study?**

Data will be collected from hospitals in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland, in which patients can be admitted to intensive (level 3) care and hospitals where rehabilitation care is provided to inpatients as well as from primary care and community providers.

## **How are patients identified for the study?**

Please provide the details of all patients aged 18 and over, who were admitted to hospital as an emergency and who survived to hospital discharge, following a stay for 4 or more consecutive days on a critical care unit, (who received level 3 care during this time), during the study period (1st October - 31st December 2022)

## **Why are you requesting for us to fill in two patient identifier spreadsheets?**

We will be sending out a **patient identification spreadsheet (A)** to all acute hospitals with an ICU to identify the main patient population.

Once we have received these initial spreadsheets, a second **patient identification spreadsheet (B)** will go back to the acute hospitals with a selected patients from the initial sample we received, to obtain the details of community-based care and identify those discharged from secondary care to a rehabilitation unit. We will then subsequently approach the community trusts that have returned data to identify what data we can collect for that part of the pathway.

## **Why are you requesting for us to identify a study contact?**

We need Local Reporters to identify a study contact who will coordinate and assist in the completion/submission of the clinical and organisational questionnaires - and fill parts that the clinicians cannot.

## **How are patients being tracked across multiple organisations?**

In the selected sample of patients identified for the study, the NHS number and date of birth will be used to track healthcare across multiple organisations. The details of providers of care outside the organisation submitting the data will be requested in both the Study contact and Local Reporter patient identifier spreadsheet spreadsheets, and in the clinician questionnaires. If a patient is identified as receiving care from an organisation, but was not included on their initial data spreadsheet, the local reporter of that organisation will be contacted, before questionnaires are sent out, and asked to confirm whether they are known to them based on the available NHS number.