## The Rotterdam Asthma Trial

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To determine the effect of protocolled practice nurse-led asthma care for children aged 6 to

12 years old in primary care on asthma control (compared to usual care)

**Ethical review** Not applicable

**Status** Pending

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON20109

**Source** 

NTR

**Health condition** 

Asthma in children

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Erasmus Medical Center Rotterdam **Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** ZonMw

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The main study parameter is the overall asthma control in 18 months measured by the Childhood Asthma Control Test (C-ACT)

#### **Secondary outcome**

- 1. C-ACT outcomes during follow-up at 3, 6, 12 and 18 months.
- 2. Frequency and severity of exacerbations

- 3. Cost-effectiveness
- 4. Quality of life assessed by the Standardised Paediatric Asthma Quality of Life Questionnaire (PAQLQ(S))
- 5. Patient/parent/nurse/GP satisfaction with delivered care
- 6. Spirometry: FEV1, Forced Expiratory Flow 75 (FEF 75) and reversibility

## **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Objective: To determine the effect of protocolled practice nurse-led asthma care for children aged 6 to 12 years old in primary care on asthma control (compared to usual care).

Study design: This study will be a cluster-randomized open label trial with a follow-up of 18 months, in which the practice nurses will be the units of randomization and children with asthma will be the units of analysis.

Study population: Children with asthma in primary care aged 6-12 years.

Intervention: The practice nurses of the GP-practices will be randomized to protocolled practice nurse-led care, or usual care by the GP.

Main study parameters/endpoints:

Primary objective: to determine the overall treatment effect (0 to 18 months) of protocolled practice nurse-led asthma care for children aged 6 to 12 years old in primary care on asthma control, measured by the Childhood Asthma Control Test (C-ACT) (compared to usual care).

Secondary objectives include C-ACT scores at t=3, t=6 and t=12 months. Frequency and severity of exacerbations, cost-effectiveness, quality of life, patient/caregiver/nurse/GP satisfaction with delivered care, and forced expiratory volume in 1 second (FEV1) and forced expiratory flow 75 (FEF 75).

### **Study objective**

To determine the effect of protocolled practice nurse-led asthma care for children aged 6 to 12 years old in primary care on asthma control (compared to usual care)

#### Study design

baseline, t=3, t=6, t=12 and t=18 months

#### Intervention

protocolled nurse led care for children aged 6-12 years. The content of the protocol is based on two Dutch Guidelines for children with Asthma ('NHG guideline' and 'Zorgstandaard')

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# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Inclusion criteria

- -Patients who were prescribed one or more times an ICS in the last year.
- -Patients who were prescribed 2 or more times a prescription of salbutamol or terbutaline in the last year.
- -Children with only one prescription of salbutamol or terbutaline in the last year and a registered ICPC-code for asthma (R96).

#### **Exclusion criteria**

- -Children receiving asthma treatment from secondary care.
- -Children who are not able to perform lung function tests.
- -Children with other major chronic diseases (children with atopic conditions such as eczema or allergies are not excluded, since this is a prevalent co-morbidity co-morbidity)
- -Children whose parents are unable to understand verbal Dutch instructions or written Dutch questionnaires.

-Children who did not use inhaled asthma medication for at least 6 weeks in the previous year.

# Study design

### **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Pending

Start date (anticipated): 01-05-2018

Enrollment: 180

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Not applicable

Application type: Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

ID: 55532

Bron: ToetsingOnline

Titel:

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL6677 NTR-old NTR6847

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# **Study results**