# On TRACk: a blended intervention incorporating TRaining, prepAration and Counseling to improve inhaler technique and medication adherence in patients with a chronic lung disease

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Positive opinion **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON22618

**Source** 

NTR

**Brief title** 

On TRACk

**Health condition** 

Asthma/COPD

## **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: ZonMw

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: N/A

Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

adherence to inhaler medication and inhaler technique

## **Secondary outcome**

disease control, quality of life, hospitalizations, work absence, beliefs about medication, self-efficacy in understanding and using medication, perceived efficacy in interactions

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

RESEARCH QUESTION: Can on TRACk, a TRain, prepAre, Communicate strategy, improve inhaler medication adherence and inhaler technique of lung patients?

INTERVENTION: On TRACk combines two innovative and proven successful elements: (1) online training of PTs to improve their inhaler medication counseling (both content, including giving a correct inhalation instruction, and patient-centred communication style), (2) preparing technicians and patients for these counseling moments in which inhaler technique is evaluated and medication use is discussed based on topics chosen by patients.

## Study objective

On TRACk, a blended intervention that prepares both patients and pharmacy technicians for two inhaler medication consultations and trains technicians in their communication will improve inhaler medication adherence and inhaler technique in patients with asthma/COPD and lead to better health outcomes

## Study design

participants fill out questionnaires are t=0, with follow up every three months for a year. Participants in the intervention group will have planned dispense conversations at t=3 and t=9.

#### Intervention

In step 1, PTs will be trained with the On TRACk training. Hereto they will videotape five planned second dispense conversations and upload these through a secure connection via their personal account to the On TRACk web portal following strict protocols. Two conversations will be selected by the trainer to perform self-reflection and provide personal feedback, both online.

In step 2, trained PTs invite eligible patients who collect inhaler medication for the first time to participate in the study. For patients, participation involves preparing themselves for a planned second dispense conversation in the pharmacy using materials provided via the On TRACk web portal. Patients hereto are given access with personal log in data to the web

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portal. Here they will find information about the medication and their illness, and tips and tools to support their self-management. They will select topics for the conversation using a question prompt list (QPL). A QPL is a structured list with questions designed to aid patients' question asking behavior. This information will be send via the portal to the PT so that (s)he can prepare the conversation using the topics selected by the patient.

In step 3, the planned second dispense conversation takes place in the pharmacy consultation room in which all topics are discussed, as well as demonstration and refinement of the inhaler technique. A follow-up conversation will be planned at six months to monitor inhaler technique (including suitability of the device) and medication use.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

## Inclusion criteria

All patients with asthma and/or COPD who collect their maintenance inhaler medication for the first time in the community pharmacy will be asked consecutively to participate in this study by the pharmacy technician. Further inclusion criteria are: (1) aged 16 years or older, (2) understanding the Dutch language.

## **Exclusion criteria**

(1) simultaneous experimental SABA use, (2) cognitive impairment.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 01-09-2021

Enrollment: 360

Type: Anticipated

## **IPD** sharing statement

Plan to share IPD: Yes

#### Plan description

Will individual participant data be available (including data dictionaries)? Yes

What data in particular will be shared? Individual participant data that underlie the results reported in the upcoming articles that will be written based on the trial outcomes, after deidentification. I.E. text, tables figures and appendices.

What other documents will be available? Study protocol, peer reviewed articles with results from the trial (ultimately bundled in a PhD thesis)

When will data be available (start and end dates)? Directly after publishing clinical study reports. Maximum of three years.

With whom? At request, for researchers who will provide a methodologically sound proposal. For what types of analyses? To achieve the aims in the approved proposal.

By what mechanism will data be made available? Proposals should be directed to R.tePaske@nivel.nl, M.Vervloet@nivel.nl or L.vandijk@nivel.nl. To gain access, data requestors will need to sign a data access agreement. Data are available for 3 years at third party website.

# **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 02-06-2021

Application type: First submission

# **Study registrations**

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

No registrations found.

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

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL9750

Other METc VUmc: 2020.358

# **Study results**