# **Effectiveness of Preventive Coaching.**

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Positive opinion

**Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON23903

**Source** 

NTR

**Brief title** 

N/A

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Department of Epidemiology - Maastricht University

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Health Research and Development Council

(ZONMw); SoFoKleS

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

The primary outcome measure is absenteeism. Data will be gathered through record linkage to the company's sick leave registry systems and by use of questionnaires filled in by the employees.

#### **Secondary outcome**

Secondary outcome measures are:

1. Motivation;

Fatigue;
 Burnout;
 Need for recovery;
 General health;
 Coping;
 Medical consumption.

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Psychosocial health problems are important causes of disability and absenteeism in the Netherlands.

The difficulty to re-integrate employees who are on sick leave due to these problems is strongly supported by the available evidence. Obviously a better strategy would be to prevent absenteeism as much as possible.

In a randomised controlled trial among employees, who are at increased absenteeism risk due psychosocial health problems, the effectiveness of coaching using a preventive coaching programme will be investigated.

By means of a screening instrument employees from participating companies will be identified and, in addition, they will receive the baseline questionnaire.

Respondents on this questionnaire will be randomised over the experimental group and the control group.

The experimental group will receive the coaching programme; the control group will receive care as usual. Two follow-up questionnaires (at 6 and 12 months) will be sent to both groups. Primary outcome measure is absenteeism.

## Study objective

- 1. A screening instrument, consisting of predictive factors, can be used to predict which employees are at risk for sickness absence due to psychosocial health complaints;
- 2. Coaching is effective in preventing sickness absence and improving general well-being.

### Study design

N/A

#### Intervention

The intervention group will receive the coaching programme. The central guideline of preventive coaching is to provide insight in the situation of the employee, improve his notion that he is responsible for his career and life and to improve his ability to manage the changes.

The programme consists of 9 meetings between the employee and the coach. In two of the meeting, the supervisor of the employee will participate.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

### Inclusion criteria

By means of the developed screening instrument, employees from participating companies who are at increased risk of sickness absence due to psychosocial health complaints will be identified and included in the trial.

#### **Exclusion criteria**

Employees will be excluded from participation:

1. If they were fully or partially on sick leave;

- 2. If they suffer from chronic psychosocial health complaints at baseline;
- 3. If they have more than one contract;
- 4. If they are pregnant or on maternity leave.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-11-2004

Enrollment: 200

Type: Actual

## **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 07-09-2005

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

RegisterIDNTR-newNL215NTR-oldNTR252Other: N/A

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# **Study results**

## **Summary results**

N/A