# Impact of early intervention in the Emergency Department on post concussion symptoms in patients with mild traumatic brain injury (MTBI).

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Ethical reviewNot approvedStatusWill not startHealth condition typeOther conditionStudy typeInterventional

### **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON38704

#### **Source**

**ToetsingOnline** 

#### **Brief title**

Impact of early intervention on post concussion symptoms in MTBI.

### **Condition**

Other condition

### **Synonym**

concussion. Mild head trauma

#### **Health condition**

Posttraumatische klachten na LTH

### Research involving

### **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** HagaZiekenhuis

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: HAGA Ziekenhuis

### Intervention

**Keyword:** Early intervention, Emergency Department, Mild traumatic head injury, Post concussion symptoms

### **Outcome measures**

### **Primary outcome**

Presence of post traumatic symptoms, as measured with th Riversmead Post

Concussion Questionnaire, 1 week and 3 months after MTBI.

### **Secondary outcome**

Return to work or other normal daily activities

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

The Dutch Institute for Healthcare Improvement (CBO) guidelines, suggest that providing MTBI patients with standardized written information in the early phase in the emergency department, may positively influence the presence and severity of post traumatic symptoms. However, there is a pausity of evidence supporting this suggestion.

### **Study objective**

The goal of this trial is to evaluate the effect of standardized oral, written and audiovisual information, given in the emergency department, on the development and severity of post traumatic symptoms in patients with mild traumatic brain injury after 1 week and 3 months.

### Study design

Double-blind randomized controlled trial

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#### Intervention

Patients will be informed and requested for their informed consent. If included, patients will be assigned to either an intervention or a control group. Both groups will be provided with standardized basic information about their treatment and follow-up. The intervention group will receive additional extensive written and audiovisual information, containing background information on MTBI and suggestions on possible coping strategies for post traumatic complaints.

### Study burden and risks

Included patients will have a longer stay of about 10-15 minutes on the emergency department, due to logistical factors and the fact that they will receive extra information from their treating physician. Further, patients agree to be contacted by phone twice, for an interview of an estimated 20 minutes. There are no direct healthrisks associated with the participation of this study. Patients receiving the additional information in the intervention group, could possibly benefit from the positive effect on their post-traumatic symptoms.

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### **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Aldult patients with mild traumatic brain injury (MTBI) admitted to the emergency department (ED)

### **Exclusion criteria**

Not able to speak or write Dutch Suffering from mental retardation or dementia Abnormal head CT Neurological impairment

# Study design

### **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Double blinded (masking used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Prevention

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Will not start

Enrollment: 714

Type: Anticipated

## **Ethics review**

Not approved

Date: 23-12-2013

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Leiden-Den Haag-Delft (Leiden)

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# **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

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