



## Summer Fever!

### This is your Captain speaking



Welcome aboard! This is Mark Peters—Chief Investigator for the Fever Studies. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and support for this important study. We are currently cruising thanks to your efforts; almost set for the Pilot Trial due to start recruitment in September.

In the meantime, kick back and enjoy this first Fever newsletter.

### Arrivals



The **Qualitative Study** touched down in May this year. This was led by Kerry Woolfall and Beth Deja from the University of Liverpool who:

- interviewed 25 parents of children who had been in critical care with a fever due to infection; and
- conducted focus groups with around 50 clinicians across four PICU sites.

The data collected has helped inform the design of the Pilot Trial – in particular how we approach parents for consent during a very difficult time.

A big thank you on behalf of Kerry, Beth and the entire Fever Study Team to those PICU staff members who were involved, and of course those parents who were interviewed.

### En route



Still en route, the **Observational Study**.

Data from all unplanned admissions is being collected to look at current management of fever due to infection, in order to confirm for both the pilot and future definitive trial:

- temperature thresholds for each arm; and
- the potentially eligible sample size.

Data collection for the Observational Study will end on 31 August. A big thank you to everyone for your work so far—keep up the great work, not long to go now!

### Departures



The mercury is rising on the **Pilot Trial** – soon to be jetting off in search of higher temperatures. The ICNARC Fever Study Team and crews at the four participating sites are working hard to prepare the cabin for take-off.

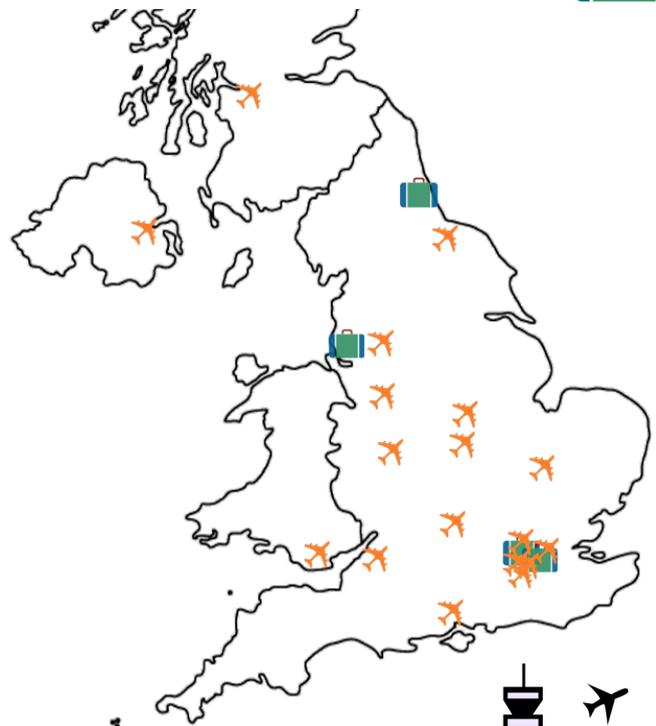
The Pilot Trial will test out processes and procedures for a definitive trial. Keep an eye on the departure board for more information!

### Destinations



The map below shows the 18 sites taking part in the Observational Study only...

...and the 4 sites taking part in both the Observational Study and Pilot Trial.



### Air Traffic Control



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