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## **Ox-PAQ Update**: The quarterly newsletter of the Ox-PAQ Initiative

Welcome to the twelfth edition of *Ox-PAQ Update*. News from the last three months is given below:

- Our manuscript detailing the psychometric analysis of the Ox-PAQ has been accepted for publication by the open access journal *Patient Related Outcome Measures* and is currently in press. A full reference and link to the article will be provided in our next newsletter.
- A detailed Ox-PAQ user manual has been prepared and will shortly be available in electronic format. A small number of hard copies will subsequently be printed for those who prefer paper-based materials. Please contact Sarah at <u>sarah.dummett@dph.ox.ac.uk</u> if you would like to receive a copy of the manual, stating your preference for either electronic or hard copy.
- Cognitive interviews to assess the usability and acceptability of the e-based Ox-PAQ were completed in February. Six interviews were conducted; four with people with multiple sclerosis and two with people with Parkinson's.
  Participant comments were largely positive regarding presentation, ease of completion and time taken to complete the measure with only minor modifications being made as a result of the interview process.
- Ethical approval has been granted for our e-based survey to assess the sensitivity to change of the Ox-PAQ. The survey will commence at the beginning of April. We have been fortunate to receive support with participant recruitment for this phase of the Ox-PAQ's development from four organisations; the British Lung Foundation, Motor Neurone Disease Association, Multiple Sclerosis Society and Parkinson's UK. We are hugely grateful to these organisations for their assistance.
- Our first abstract for 2016 has been accepted for presentation at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congress of the European Academy of Neurology which will take place in Copenhagen, Denmark, this coming May. The abstract will be published in a supplement of the European Journal of Neurology.



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 Just a reminder that all documentation related to the project can be found at <u>http://www.dph.ox.ac.uk/research/hsru/OxPAQ</u>

That completes our twelfth newsletter. We would, as always, be grateful for any feedback you might have. The next edition of *Ox-PAQ Update* will be circulated towards the end of June 2016.

Please email David (<u>david.morley@dph.ox.ac.uk</u>) or Crispin (<u>crispin.jenkinson@dph.ox.ac.uk</u>) if you have any specific questions or suggestions regarding the project.

Kind regards to all,

The Ox-PAQ Team

30<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.

