



Latest MUMS@RISC updates

Since our first Newsletter in May, a lot of progress has been made. In a nutshell, we are very pleased to share the following updates:

- A review of existing studies on healthcare experiences during the perinatal period when facing child protection processes is almost completed. We hope to publish our findings by the next Newsletter and share this in more detail.
- We received ethical approval for the qualitative part of the MUMS@RISC study in July. After the summer break, the third sector partner organisations shared recruitment details with staff members and approached interested women. Several have already taken part in the study and have been incredibly generous with sharing their story. We are so grateful for all the support from our partner organisations in making this happen. Recruitment continues after the Christmas break so if you want to be involved, please do get in touch.
- For the database-part of the study, progress has been steady. The eLIXIR database was recently updated, with additional pregnancy records from the last year, so work on this part of the study can now fully start.

Just a little note...

For many people, especially for those who have been participating in the study or involved in the advisory panel, the festive season is a difficult time of year. We send them our thoughts and strength to get through this time.

Collaboration with the MUMS@RISC advisory panel

The MUMS@RISC advisory panel has been instrumental in all aspects of the study so far, from designing the interview guides, to sense-checking the findings of the systematic review. We continue to meet bi-monthly and our collaborative work, including our Charter for Research Engagement, has been welcomed as good practice on a number of occasions:

- we were invited to jointly present our approach to 'Emotions in Research Engagement' at a national webinar, organised by the NIHR cross-ARC Children's Health and Maternity Programme. You can view the recording [here](#).
- we were shortlisted for a King's Research Engagement Award, hosted by the King's Research Engagement Network. We will hear the final results at the Award Ceremony on January 16th, when we are also meeting face to face for the first time since the start of the study.

What are the next steps?

Recruitment for the study is still open to anyone who is interested until the Summer of '24. The consent to contact form is [here](#) if you want to get in touch.

Data cleaning on the eLIXIR database will go full speed ahead from here so analysis can start by the Spring.

And last but not least, we hope to publish the findings of our review very soon.



Are you interested in collaborating on this study or want to hear more?

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