



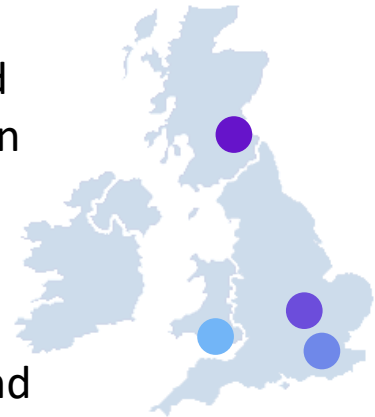
A **P**atient-centred approach to understanding the barriers to **A**Ccessing and **E**ngaging with asthma care

**Do you have asthma?**

**OR do you care for a child with asthma?**

**Do you think healthcare services for people with asthma could be better?**

Researchers in Edinburgh, Leicester, London and Swansea are recruiting people with asthma to an interview study.



The interviews will ask about living with asthma, how the health service helps (or not) and what you think could be improved.

**To find out more about the study, visit:**

<https://usher.ed.ac.uk/usher/aukcar/knowledge-hub/projects/PACE>

**We want to recruit people with asthma (or parents of children with asthma) to find out how services could be improved.**



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### *What is the problem?*

Adults and children living with asthma in the UK suffer more asthma attacks than people in other European countries. Guidelines recommend management that could improve control but, for many reasons, best care is not always accessible or does not engage patients.

### *What is the aim of the PACE study?*

We will interview people about their experience of asthma care, and hear their ideas about how care can be improved. Then, in a future study we will try out new ways of working that could help make care easier to access and more useful to people with asthma

### *What will happen if I take part?*

If you decide to take part we will arrange a time for your 30-60 minute interview, which will normally be face-to-face in your preferred location (home, local clinic or community space). Telephone or video interviews can be arranged if you would prefer that.



In the interview the researcher will ask you about your asthma and how it troubles you. They will ask about whether you see your GP or asthma nurse, whether you have ever been to the hospital to see a specialist. We want to hear about things that made it difficult or easy to attend – and whether you found the care helpful. We will also ask if you have any ideas that could make the asthma care easier or better for you.

**There are no right or wrong answers – we want to know what you think**

### *What will do with the findings?*

In discussion with health service managers, we will use the ideas you have given us to develop better ways to deliver care for people with asthma. We plan a UK-wide project to develop and test new ways of working so that people with asthma can access services that are engaging and meet their needs.

The results of study will be written up as a publication in a medical journal and we will present our findings at medical conferences. We will also use innovative social media channels (X/Twitter, blogs, Facebook etc) to communicate messages effectively.

To find out more about the study, contact the research team on [PACE-PDG.admin@ed.ac.uk](mailto:PACE-PDG.admin@ed.ac.uk)