



Ambulatory Epistaxis Management

In collaboration with A&E Departments and General Practitioners across Scotland

What?

The project aims to change the current service practice of packed epistaxis patients to an ambulatory model where possible.

Why?

Currently in Scotland the practice is admitting all epistaxis patients with intranasal packs. Prior to and during COVID-19 pandemic, studies have found admission avoidance of packed patients to be safe and feasible.

Ambulatory management can reduce unnecessary admissions, improve patient experience and healthcare costs.

How?

Participating healthboards across NHS Scotland, with collaboration between A&E departments, ENT and GPs will collect retrospective and prospective data on current practice and ambulatory service.

Site leads are responsible for local caldicott applications, data collection and storage, data sharing.

All sites must have a lead consultant who will be responsible for the local data collection for governance purposes.

When?

The project aims to begin in April 2024 and it is anticipated to last a year.

Who?

This project is a collaboration between ENT, A&E and GPs, led by SERN. For further information please contact jimmy.ng@nhs.scot