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Dear Local Coordinator,

**Thank you for agreeing to be a Local Coordinator for NAP7 – perioperative cardiac arrest.
It is great to have you as a collaborator on this project.**

We have been busy designing the project and share some highlights below:

- A detailed Local Coordinator resource pack will be sent to you in March or early April.
- The aim is to launch NAP7 in mid-May 2020.
- NAP7 will have three parts:
 1. **Baseline Survey:** An online survey will be sent to all anaesthetists, including trainees, and anaesthesia associates. This will investigate previous experiences of perioperative cardiac arrest, resuscitation training and facilities in your workplace.
 2. **Case Reviews:** All cases of perioperative cardiac arrest during the one-year inclusion period will be included. Anonymised case details will be uploaded to a structured online secure database.
 3. **Activity Survey:** Details of every case over a 2, 3 or 4-day period (to be decided) will be collected at each participating site. This will create a snapshot of anaesthetic activity in the UK and collect details pertinent to perioperative cardiac arrest.
- The basic entry criteria for individual case reviews will be **'Chest compressions and/or defibrillation in a patient having a procedure under the care of an anaesthetist'**. The aim is to make the inclusion criteria and reporting structures as simple as possible. We will be testing these prior to the project launch. Full details will follow including exclusions and FAQs.
- As usual for NAPs, all data that is reported will be fully anonymised. The review panel will not have access to the location or identity of patient or clinicians involved in any cases.
- We are working with stakeholder groups to ensure we capture those cases that are currently not included in other audits, are important to anaesthetists and important to patients. The final scope of the project remains a work in progress.
- The Research and Audit Federation of Trainees, Anaesthesia Associates Association and College of Operating Department Practitioners are all supporting the project. Please consider putting together a local NAP7 team that includes members from these groups.
- All those involved in the project will be acknowledged for their contribution. Again details to follow.
- The success of the NAP7 project depends on collaboration, as it has with all previous NAPs, and we look forward to working with you.
- We will provide further updates in the New Year and increase the amount of information available on the [NAP7 website](#).



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