Figure 1. Study design

PCP Office

Consultation Liaison Service

Randomization

IPC

SSRI

2 months follow-up visit

Non Response

Full or Partial Response

Non Response

Full or Partial Response

IPC + SSRI

6 and 12 months follow-up

6 and 12 months follow-up

4, 6 and 12 months follow-up

6 and 12 months follow-up

4, 6 and 12 months follow-up

6 and 12 months follow-up

Patients identified by PCPs as depressed are referred to Consultation Liaison Service.

Consultant Psychiatrist’s visit: eligible patients are invited to participate in the study.

Informed consent procedure and baseline assessment are carried out by research staff.

SSRI + IPC