138 practices contacted to join the study

63 practices agreed and assessed for eligibility

60 practices randomised in two stages

First stage of randomisation: First 33 practices allocated to three groups

Screening plus intensive treatment (IT): 15 practices
Screening plus routine care (RC): 13 practices
Control (no screening): 5 practices

Second stage of randomisation: 27 practices allocated to two groups (IT and RC)

Screening plus IT: 13 practices
Screening plus RC: 14 practices

Final group allocation

Screening plus IT arm: 28 practices
2 practices withdrew
Screening plus IT arm: 26 practices

Screening plus RC arm: 27 practices
4 practices withdrew
Screening plus RC arm: 23 practices

Control (no screening) arm: 5 practices
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