Letter and questionnaire sent to 862 CTNS participants

- 45 dead

817 surviving participants

- 610 completed the questionnaire
- 207 did not complete the questionnaire

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- 443 administered questionnaire at the clinic or on the phone
- 167 completed the questionnaire at home

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- 115 declined unmasking
- 328 accepted unmasking

167 completed the questionnaire at home

- 152 accepted unmasking
- 15 declined unmasking

Total of 480 accepted unmasking

- 395 understood randomisation (equal chance of receiving vitamins or placebo)
- 85 did not recall/understand randomisation (thought vitamins were only possible treatment)

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- 68 thought they had taken vitamins (79.4% were correct)
- 280 declared they did not know what they had taken
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- 280 declared they did not know what they had taken

443 administered questionnaire at the clinic or on the phone

- 31 too ill
- 135 untraceable

41 not interested

31 too ill

135 untraceable

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