Figure 1. Flow chart of the study sample

Assessed for eligibility (n=683)

Excluded (n=491)
  - not meeting inclusion criteria (n=81)
  - refused to participate (n=410)

Randomized (n=192)

Allocated to intervention (n=96)
  - received allocated intervention (n=91)
  - did not receive allocated intervention (n=5)
    - 1 distance too large
    - 1 patient died
    - 2 too stressful / burdensome
    - 1 not useful

Allocated to usual care (n=96)

Complete intervention (n=44)

Lost to follow up (n=15)
  - 7 too burdensome
  - 3 too ill
  - 1 died
  - 4 not useful

Complete cost and primary outcome data during 12 month follow-up for patients and caregivers (n=39)

Intention to treat analyses (n=96)

Complete case analysis
  - Outcome QALY dyad (n=48)
  - Outcome QALY caregiver (n=55)
  - Outcome QALY patient (n=48)
  - Outcome MINI caregiver (n=47)

Lost to follow up (n=10)
  - 6 too burdensome
  - 4 not useful

Complete cost and primary outcome data during 12 month follow-up for patients and caregivers (n=48)

Intention to treat analyses (n=96)

Complete case analysis
  - Outcome QALY dyad (n=53)
  - Outcome QALY caregiver (n=64)
  - Outcome QALY patient (n=54)
  - Outcome MINI caregiver (n=59)