During October, recruitment picked up across the majority of our New Zealand sites! We also managed to reach a milestone of 400 babies recruited a few days into November. By the end of the trial, we will have recruited more than 2,500 mothers and babies so it is important to celebrate small milestones along the way.

Can we reach 500 babies recruited by the end of the year?

**RECRUITMENT UPDATE**

**Site** | **Total (babies)** | **Last month**
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Auckland | 232 | 6
Manukau | 6 | 0
Waikato | 78 | 3
Tauranga | 28 | 0
Christchurch | 32 | 2
Wellington | 19 | 1
Northland | 5 | 2
**Total** | **400** | **14**

**C*STEROID TEAM NEWS**

We love hearing why our sites enjoy being part of the C*STEROID trial. Here is a short description from our Wellington team:

"Team “C*STEROID– Pōneke – Wellington” are enjoying the teamwork involved in recruiting for the C*STEROID trial. We are well supported by the team in Auckland and have enjoyed working with Wellington LMCs, obstetricians, theatre & recovery staff, postnatal ward staff & NICU to facilitate women’s progress through the trial. We are looking forward to summer after what has felt like a long, dark COVID affected winter!!"
REDCAP REMINDERS

Following on from our last reminder, this month we have kept the focus on CRF3. This time highlighting completing the primary/secondary indication for planned EARLY CS (<39+0).

This month’s reminder:

C*STEROID CRF3 Baseline in Trial database

- Common error: Primary/secondary indication for planned EARLY CS (<39+0) not completed.
- These fields only appear in RedCap when the CS is planned <39+0 weeks, please complete accordingly. The additional indications should not be the same as the primary.

CHRISTMAS TEAM PHOTOS

As the countdown to Christmas is on, we want to see our C*STEROID sites get festive for the next newsletter!

Send us your best team picture dressed up in Santa hats or in front of your wards Christmas decorations and be in to win a prize for you and your team. **Winners for the best photo will be announced in the December newsletter.**

Send your photos to csteroid@auckland.ac.nz

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