# Development of the Nijmegen Decision Tool for chronic low back pain to guide patient triage and treatment.

No registrations found.

Ethical review	Not applicable
Status	Recruiting
Health condition type	-
Study type	Observational non invasive

### **Summary**

### ID

NL-OMON27306

Source NTR

Brief title NDT-CLBP

#### **Health condition**

low back pain; lumbar spine; degenerative spine disorders; decision model; shared decision making; patient reported outcome measures lage rugklachten; degeneratieve wervelkolomaandoeningen; beslismodel; vragenlijst

### **Sponsors and support**

Primary sponsor: Sint Maartenskliniek, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
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### Intervention

### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

**Functional ability** 

#### Secondary outcome

Pain; Quality of Life; Satisfaction Measures of efficiency, relevance, usability for patients and professioonals

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Low back pain (LBP) is responsible for the greatest burden of all diseases. Chronic Low Back Pain (CLBP) is among the most common reasons why patients visit a spine surgeon. As the CLBP population is heterogeneous, it remains a challenge to address etiology and to suggest treatment options. (Inter-)National guidelines recommend to develop a decision tool to triage towards either surgical or nonsurgical interventions.

The Nijmegen decision tool, consisting of a web-based screening questionnaire, a systematic follow up of outcomes (i.e. outcome monitoring) built in the patient-based system of the SweSpine outcomes Registry, is developed to support patient-triage and is based on evidence and professional (Delphi) consensus. Since April2012 all new patients complete the questionnaire as a part of usual care, consisting of several indicators potentially predicting successful treatment outcome or persistence of pain complaints, and are systematically followed over time.

In this study pre-intervention patient profiles have been determined and a decision tool ('proof-of-principle') will be developed, based on indicators predicting successful or nonresponse at one-year follow-up outcome of spine surgery, of a non-surgical, multidisciplinary Combined Physical and Psychological (CPP) program and of counseling (including physical therapy in primary care). After pilot testing, the tool will be implemented in other spine clincics and externally validated.

### **Study objective**

The NDT-CLBP is a valid tool to guide treatment based on patient profiles for secondary spine care professionals

### Study design

Follows usual care pathways - systematic outcome monitoring:

pre-treatment; (6 months follow up); 12 and 24 months follow up

#### Intervention

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# **Eligibility criteria**

### **Inclusion criteria**

Patients referred with chronic low back pain:

- adults, aged 18 years and older
- duration of low back pain complaints for 3 months or more
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### **Exclusion criteria**

- acute low back pain complaints

## Study design

### Design

Study type:	Observational non invasive
Intervention model:	Other
Allocation:	Non-randomized controlled trial
Control: N/A , unknown	

### Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	01-01-2015
Enrollment:	1000
Туре:	Anticipated

# **Ethics review**

Not applicable Application type:

Not applicable

# **Study registrations**

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

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No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
NTR-new	NL5350
NTR-old	NTR5946
Other	Innovatiefonds Zorgverzekeraars : 2921

# **Study results**

### Summary results

several publications planned for 2016 and further