# Critical Care Outreach: a valuable resource?

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Key messages Critical care outreach is a valuable resource

Not everything can be measured quantitatively

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#### Why did I do this research?

MSc dissertation

Literature review

Theory/practice divide

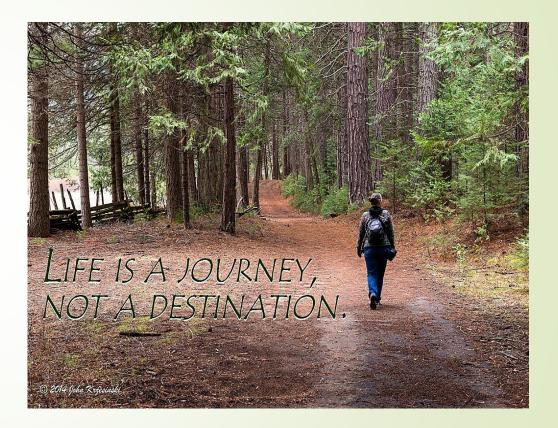


Is Critical Care Outreach a valuable resource?

- Stakeholder identification
- Ethical approval
- Sample selection
- Questionnaire design
  - Pre-pilot
  - pilot
- Data collection
- Data analysis
- Report to stakeholders

#### What is a valuable resource?

- Did we meet the original three objectives of Critical Care Outreach?
  - Reduce ICU admissions
  - Facilitate ICU discharge
  - Empower ward staff to manage the deteriorating patient



### Results

Job role	Mean	n =	Standard Deviation
HCA's	9.25	16	2.09
Nurses and others	9.28	29	1.19
Doctors	9.27	11	1.01

#### **Conclusions and limitations**

#### Limitations

- CCO has a complex role within the fabric of the hospital
- The call for increased staffing put forward by national guidance and the CCO team was echoed in the survey results
- The value of a nuanced service cannot easily be quantified

## Publication Choose your journal

- Read the 'authors' guidelines'
- There are many types of work that can be published

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- Peer review process
- Don't lose faith
- You can do it

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#### Take home messages

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