Cow's milk protein allergy groups update 2015 - 2019 Wythenshawe Hospital

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Trial of CMPA groups

CMPA groups were started to accommodate the increase in referrals from primary and secondary care and also breaches of waiting times due to maternity leave

2016-2019

- Regular CMPA weaning on dairy-free diet and CMPA re-introduction of dairy groups are run in the hospital every month 1.30-3.00pm in the seminar room on our day unit
- Ease of access and parking, changing
- facilities, toys available
- 10 patients are invited

Group Session

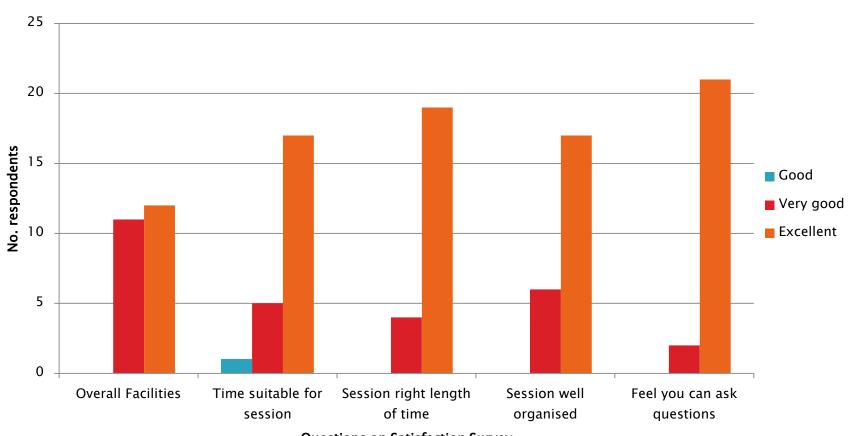
- A modified CMPA checklist (based on Bury community proforma) to obtain relevant information at beginning of session
- Parents are given written information on arrival
- BDA cow's milk free diet sheet
- IMAP milk ladder and additional information
- Alternative milk formation
- Calcium information
- Presentation with main points and pictures

Evaluation

- Patient satisfaction survey (Likert type scale) that are
 - 7 questions
 - Including facilities, timing of group, length of session, organisation, time for questions
- Confidence question pre and post session

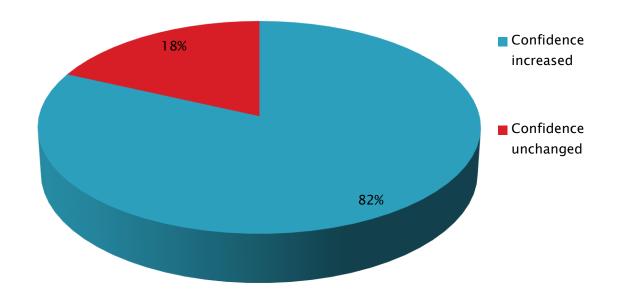
Patient Satisfaction

Group Session Satisfaction Questionnaire



Questions on Satisfaction Survey

Confidence in dairy free weaning

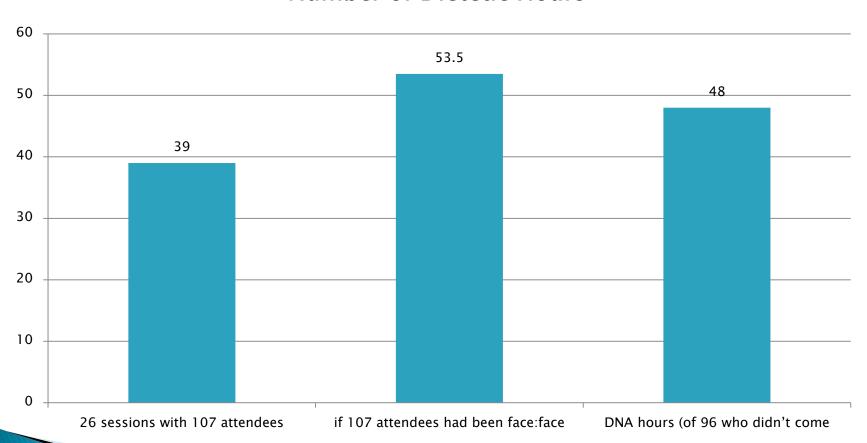


Patients' comments

- Short session that covered everything
- Friendly, professional dietitian
- Very helpful
- Very informative
- Able to ask questions
- Obtained information & guidance on weaning
- Good opportunities to share knowledge
- Good location with changing facilities
- Great!

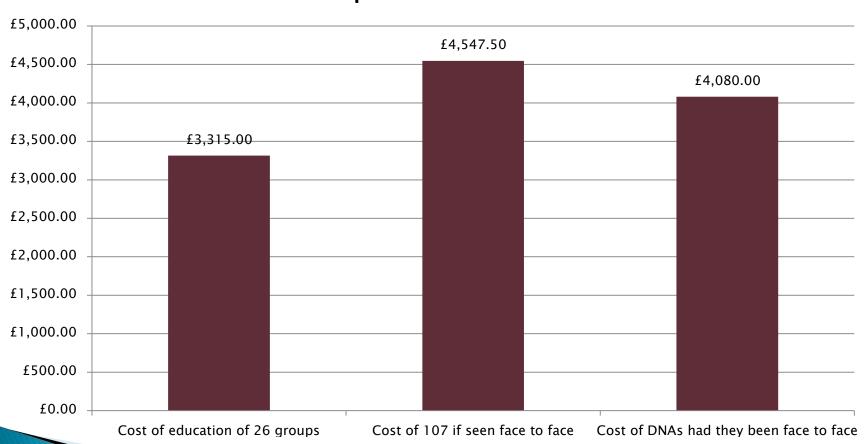
CMPA Education Groups

Number of Dietetic Hours



CMPA Education Groups

Cost of Group Education vs Face to Face



Conclusion

- Time saving
- Cost saving to Dietetic service in terms
- Cost saving due to DNAs
- Money saving
- Enjoyable environment for staff and parents
- More opportunity to learn and ask questions
- Opportunity to talk individually to a Dietitian

Future

- Pathway for challenging babies and children to confirm diagnosis
- Education for GPs HVs