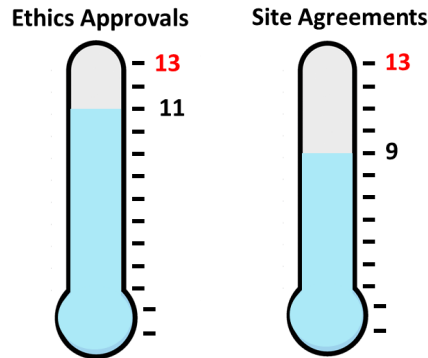


CANADIAN BILIARY ATRESIA REGISTRY NEWSLETTER



NINE SITES NOW ENTERING DATA

We are happy to announce that 9 out of 13 sites are now able to enter data. The sites that have full site approval to enter data in REDCap are CHU de Québec, Hamilton Health Sciences Centre, IWK, Janeway Children's Health Centre, Montreal Children's Hospital, Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario, London Health Sciences Centre, Stollery Children's Hospital, and BC Children's hospital. These sites have received research ethics board approval and completed sub-site agreement negotiations.



BILIARY ATRESIA MANAGEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

During the summer, a questionnaire was sent out to surgeons and gastroenterologists treating BA patients across Canada. The questionnaire asked about typical management approach toward biliary atresia diagnosis, surgery, and follow-up care. The questionnaire results showed considerable variation in the care provided to children with biliary atresia across Canada. The results suggest that there is potential to improve outcomes with a standardized protocol.

CBAR WEBSITE

The CBAR website is intended to be a resource for parents, family doctors, and BA researchers. To achieve the aim of serving parents across Canada, CBAR is currently in the process of translating the website into French. The French website should be available by the end of February.

CBAR is also working to expand parent resources on the website, based on common concerns expressed by parents. To increase traffic to the website, we will be asking other liver-related websites to post links to cbar.ca. If you would like to suggest a parent resource that should be made available, or know of a website that we should ask to link to us, please contact the CBAR coordinator.

CBAR'S FIRST MANUSCRIPT ACCEPTED!

The manuscript, entitled "The Canadian Biliary Atresia Registry: Improving the Care of Canadian Infants with Biliary Atresia" will be published in the journal Paediatrics and Child Health.

RECENT CANADIAN BA RESEARCH

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Morinville V, et al. **Home-Based Screening For Biliary Atresia Using Infant Stool Color Cards In Canada: Quebec Feasibility Study.** J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr. 2015 Nov 19.

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