passed away due to primary disease progression. The mainstay of our analysis was to look at factors associated with delay in decannulation among children and the associated morbidity.

**Background/Aim** Bronchiolitis is one of the commonest causes of hospital presentations during the winter period. It poses a great deal of strain on the health care staff and resources. A targeted assessment tool is thought to provide a prompt and optimal assessment to limit unwarranted investigations and hospital admissions. The acute assessment of children with a clinical diagnosis of bronchiolitis was initially audited with subsequent re-audit using the assessment pro forma.

**Methods** Children admitted with bronchiolitis between November 2017 and January 2018 in one hospital site were randomly selected. Medical notes were reviewed to evaluate the clinical assessments and treatment(s) offered in comparison with NICE guidance. A pilot study was subsequently performed to assess the use of the new assessment pro forma by medical students and junior doctors.

**Results** Thirty medical notes were randomly selected for the audit. History of apnoea was inquired in 7 of 20 infants aged 3 months and below. Oral intake was clearly documented in only 36.7% (11/30). Neonatal events were clearly documented in 96.7% (29/30). Documentation of exposure to passive smoking occurred in 23.3% (7/30). Only 50% had documented assessment of hydration status and femoral pulses. Blood tests were requested in 13 infants with clinical indications documented in 7. Sixty-five percent (11/17) had no documented clinical indication for chest radiograph. Inappropriate treatments (bronchodilators, steroids, antibiotics) were initiated in 30% of infants. The pilot study involved 15 volunteers (medical students and junior doctors) on the use of the assessment pro forma in the 2 hospital sites. Analyses of the pro forma demonstrated 100% compliance in all parameters re-audited.

**Conclusion** The new pro forma has demonstrated its usefulness in targeted assessment of children with suspected bronchiolitis. Well-focused history and examination will safely stratify children to be managed in the community or hospital. The feedbacks received from its use were excellent.

**Method** Lymphadenopathy is a common cause of presentation at GPs and a cause of concern for parents. We analysed a number of tertiary referrals to the General Paediatric Department in OLCHC to determine what and if any investigations should be performed for these patients and how we might improve the patient experience for these cases. Between September 2017 and January 2019, General Paediatric Triage Clinic received 12 referrals of patients with lymphadenopathy from GPs. Less than 50% of referral letters included information about the size, mobility, consistency or tenderness of the concerning lymphatic nodule. None of the referral letters included blood test results or any other investigations. All referrals were asked to attend for blood tests including FBC, U+E, CRP, Urate, LDH. Depending on the results, further investigations were ordered or patients were discharged.

**Results** 8 (66%) patients attended phlebotomy for blood tests. 50% of blood tests performed were normal, of these 2 patients were discharged from Triage Clinic and 2 patients remained on waiting list. 4 patients had abnormal blood results, 3 had a neck ultrasound performed, all of which were normal. 2 were subsequently discharged from Triage Clinic, 1 remained on waiting list, 1 patient was seen in Paediatric OPD and was discharged based on reassuring clinical examination without any further investigations. 4 patients did not attend for blood tests, 3 were discharged from Triage Clinic after not responding to multiple notifications. 1 remains on waiting list awaiting response to second notification.

**Recommendations** Developing a clinical guideline for lymphadenopathy with clinical examination and investigation criteria warranting referral to General Paediatric clinic which will empower GPs to perform appropriate investigations including the ultrasound prior referring patients on, therefore reducing the waiting times in our outpatient clinic.