NIHR Applied Research Collaboration North Thames



Improving the primary care response to domestic violence and abuse (DVA) – the IRIS programme.

Our research on IRIS implementation showed:

- practices with IRIS saw a 30-fold increase in referrals received by DVA service providers
- practices without IRIS saw no increase in referrals
- a 6-month disruption to IRIS led to a 70% reduction in referrals
- the IRIS programme is cost-effective for the NHS and cost-saving for society

