



## AMIS Plus Newsletter Nr. 17 – May 2006

Dear Current, Potential AMIS Plus Participants & Sponsors

### The Sponsors' and Participants' Meeting 2006

The Sponsors' and Participants' Meeting went well. The presentations of the latest AMIS Plus results sparked off a lot of positive feedback.



### AMIS Plus Follow-up

After achieving approval from all cantonal Ethic Commissions we were finally able to proceed with the follow-up as planned. The Online follow-up program was completed and it allows, those hospitals willing, to perform telephone interviews of their own patients otherwise the AMIS Plus Data Center team will continue calling the patients. We have already interviewed over 1000 patients 3-months after the cardiac event.

Changes have been made to the follow-up section of the AMIS Plus questionnaire specifically asking why patient were not asked whether they would consent to the interview. Sometimes it can be problematic reaching patients at home and so we are now considering also asking for the telephone numbers of patients' doctors.

### Data entry

We would like to encourage AMIS Plus participants to enter their data online rather than using the paper questionnaires. This would then speed up the whole data process immensely. We are working on enabling hospitals to transfer data using other electronic formats, e.g. XML.

If you have any questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact us here at the Data Center by telephone, email or fax.

Sincerely yours

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