Appendix 11.

Comparing the age and gender of the participants who were invited with those who participated.

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|  | Characteristic | | | | | |
| Number | Age in years | | Number | Gender | |
| Mean | SD | Female (n) | Female (%) |
| Trial participantsa | 478 | 55 | 12 | 478 | 349 | 73 |
| Patients identified as potentially  eligible and invited to participateb | 20,060c | 49 | 14 | 19,901c | 14,106 | 71 |

aIncluded in the trial

bIdentified as potentially eligible during the database search and sent an invitation letter. These data were provided by 120 of the 150 GP practices.

cA subset of the total number of participants who were identified as eligible and sent an invitation letter (23,429). This subset was comprised from the practices who returned these data.