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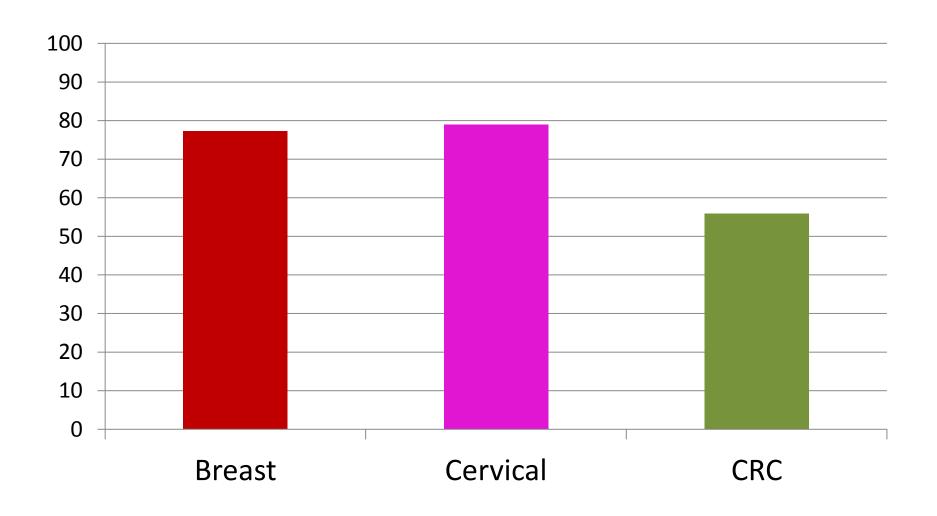
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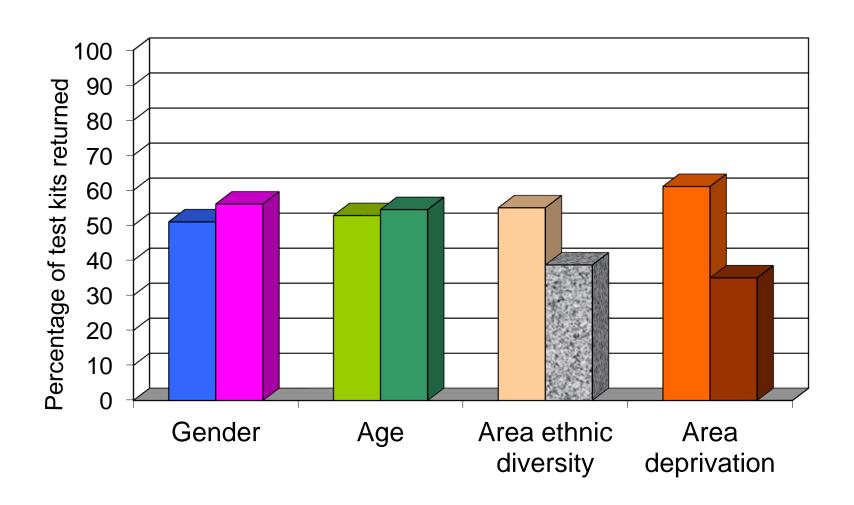
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- Public education on screening
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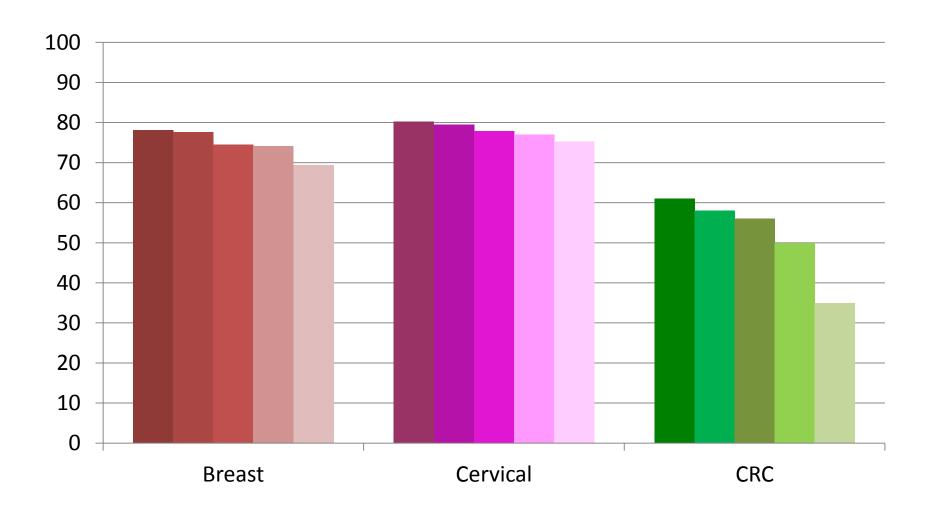
Coverage/uptake across the 3 cancer screening programmes (FOB screening for CRC)



FOBT kit return in the first 2.6 million invitations



Coverage/uptake by PCT-level deprivation in England



Knowledge, beliefs and attitudes as predictors of nonparticipation

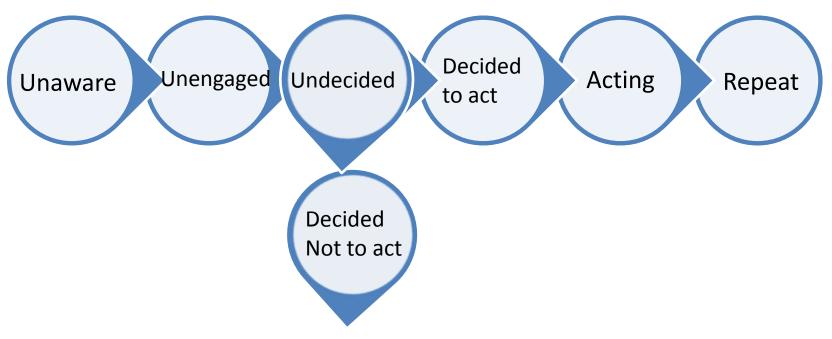
- Knowledge
 - Lower knowledge about cancer and screening
 - Lack of awareness that screening is for asymptomatic individuals
- Cancer fatalism
 - Higher in non-attenders
- Perceived personal benefits
 - Small differences in perceived benefit of early detection
 - Small differences in perceived reassurance with a negative result
- Risk
 - No consistent associations
- Worry/fear
 - No consistent associations

Interviews with non-attenders: what have we learned?

- A few people are really set against screening
 - Can't face doing this test
 - Can't face a cancer diagnosis (at this point)
- Some describe 'barriers' (e.g. disgust, invasive), more for CRC
- Many people have not yet 'got around to it'
- Some feel they don't need the test, often based on misunderstanding
 - Not a common cancer
 - Don't have symptoms
- Some have no recollection of being asked
- Many never read the information/invitation

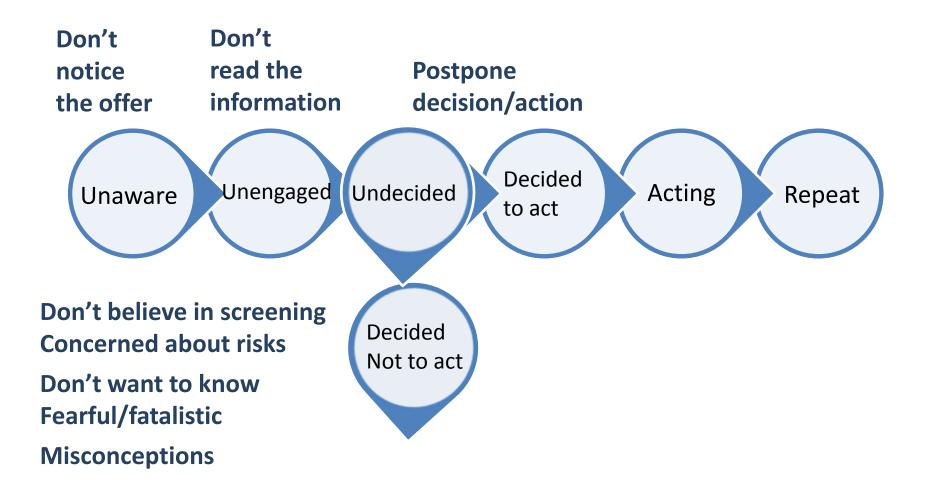
Not necessarily a rational decision

The Precaution Adoption Process Model; emphasising the pre-decision stages



Weinstein 1988)

Applying the Precaution Adoption Process Model to the screening decision process



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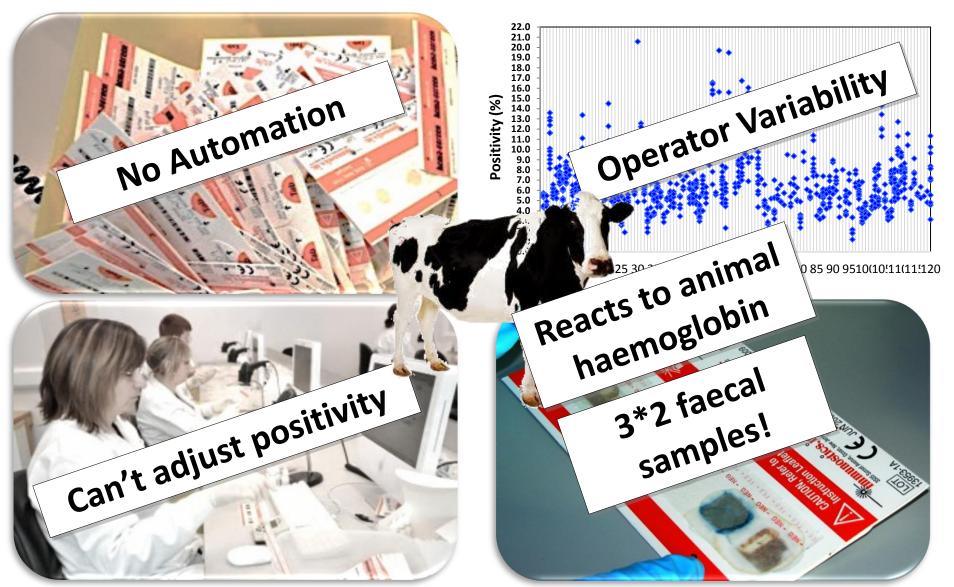
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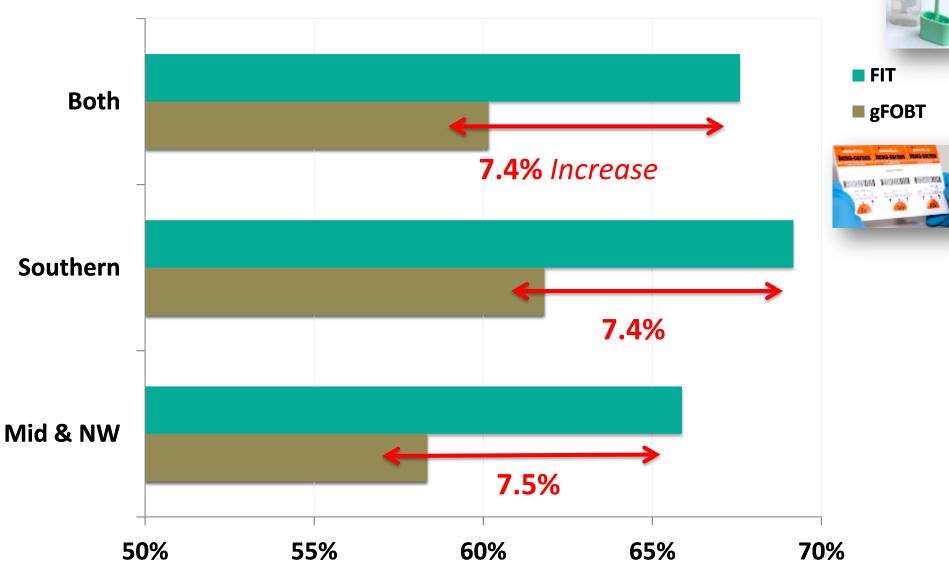
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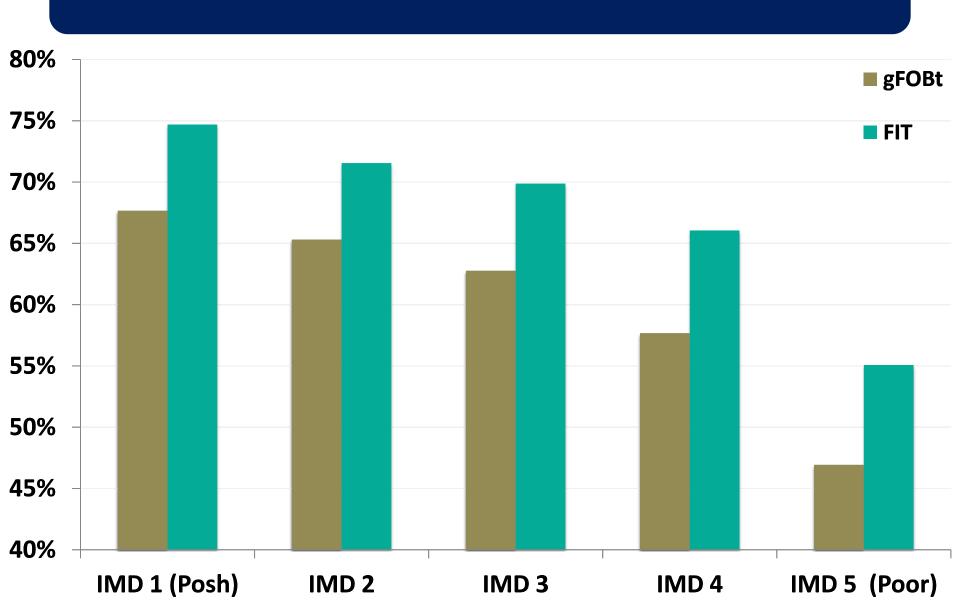
Why we need a Better Test for Haemoglobin (on behalf of Professor Stephen Halloran)







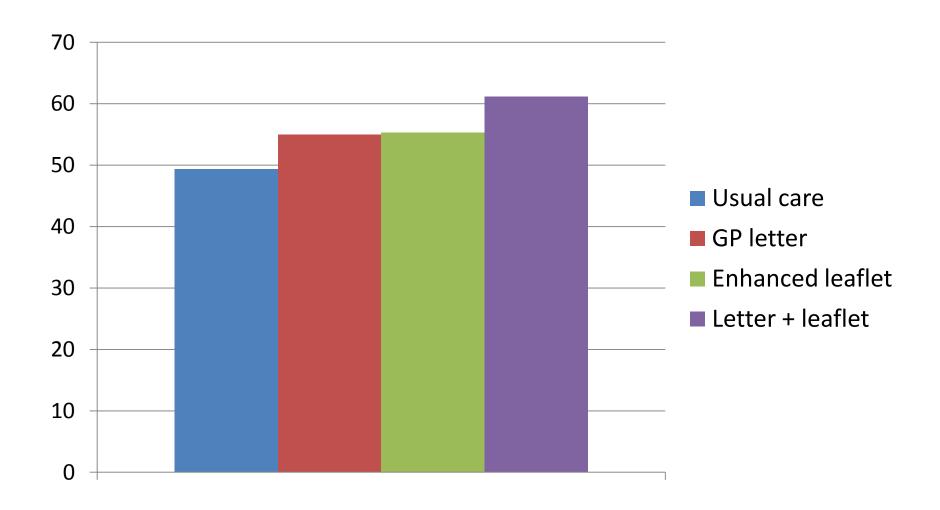
Uptake of each test by deprivation group



Relative screening compliance in HPV self-testing vs PAP tests for never/underscreened women (Racey et al. 2013)

Study		RR (95% CI)	% Weight
		4.73 (2.98-7.49)	9.45
Gok et al. 2012		2.25 (1.71-2.97)	9.96
Szarewski et al. 2011			
Giorgi et al. 2011		1.41 (1.10-1.82)	10.01
Wikstrom et al. 2011	-	4.27 (3.67-4.94)	10.18
Virtanen et al. 2011	-	1.22 (1.13-1.31)	10.25
		1.99 (1.36-2.92)	9.69
Castle et al. 2011		1.13 (1.12-1.14)	10.27
Lazcano-Ponce et al. 2011			
Piana et al. 2011		3.66 (3.24-4.13)	10.21
Gok et al. 2010		1.67 (1.28-2.18)	9.99
Bias et al. 2007		1.94 (1.49-2.53)	9.99
		2.14 (1.30-3.52)	100.00
Overall (I-squared = 99.5%, p=0.000)			
NOTE: Weights are from random effects analysis			

Primary care endorsement and patient leaflet to improve FOB uptake







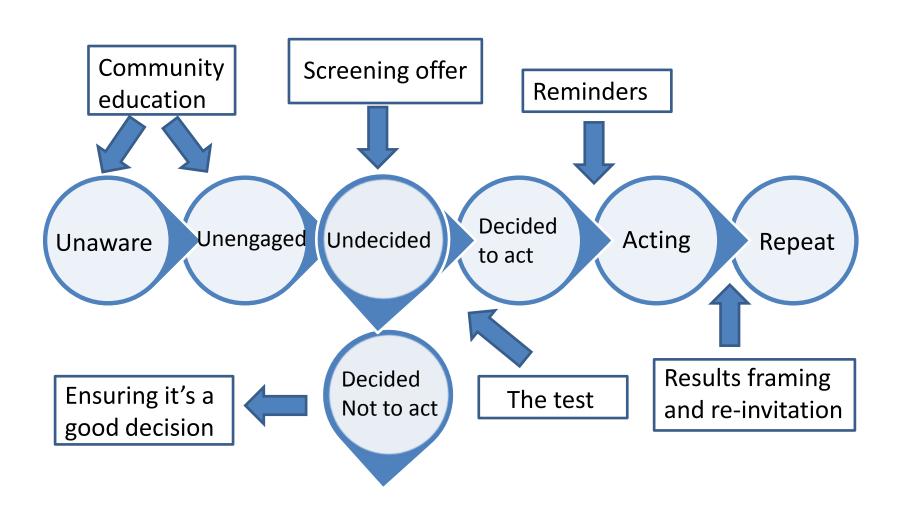






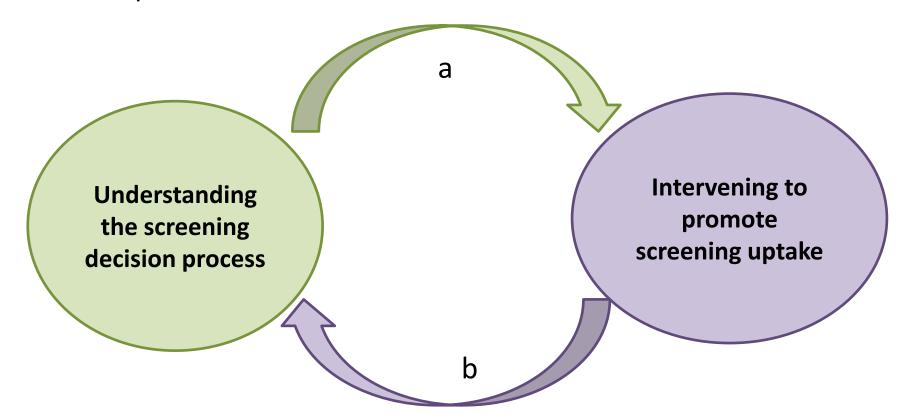


Integrating intervention with processes of screening decision-making



Integrating descriptive and intervention research

- a) developing interventions to promote timely and informed decisions
- b) examining the effects of system-based interventions on the decision process



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Pulling out all the stops to deliver the screening offer

Usual care

Case flagging when screening was due, FOBT (single sample FIT) kits given out when patient attended, clinician feedback + incentives compensation
 Uptake = 37.3%

Intervention

- Automated phone call and text to say screening was due and kit would be arriving
- FIT mailed to home with letter from GP
- Plain language information + graphics
- Repeat calls and texts if FIT not returned by 2 weeks
- Screening navigator called if FIT not returned by 3 months
 + new kit sent if patient wanted Uptake = 82.2%