

January 21<sup>st</sup> 2015

Dear Colleague,

please, find attached the protocol study on "CLINICAL CLASSIFICATION OF ADULT PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC INTESTINAL FAILURE: AN INTERNATIONAL CROSS-SECTIONAL SURVEY TO COMPARE THE HOME PARENTERAL NUTRITION ACTIVITY AMONG COUNTRIES" proposed by the Home Artificial Nutrition & Chronic Intestinal Failure special interest group of ESPEN.

The study aims to compare the HPN activity among Countries through the analysis of the ongoing patients according to the "clinical classification of CIF" recently devised by ESPEN (attached).

We would be most grateful if you could contribute to this survey. As you can see in the protocol, the participation requires you a) listing all the ongoing patients on March 1st 2015, b) recording the patient data on the excel questionnaire within April 30th and c) submitting the filled in excel file to me within May 15th.

Your contribution would be valuable and will be recognized in the list of Authors. Do not hesitate to contact me in case you need some more information and explanations.

Please, confirm you acceptance to participate to loris.pironi@unibo.it

Looking forward to hearing from you, best regards.

## Loris Pironi

On behalf of the Home Artificial Nutrition & Chronic Intestinal Failure special interest group of ESPEN.