

### **Process and Timelines for NATIONAL study**

1. An e-mail blast will be sent to all ISCCM members, for participating in the study and the participating ICUs will be asked to provide information regarding infrastructure, and ability to contribute data, including their participation in previous ISCCM studies.

The data will be collected on the ISCCM server, using database created by the ISCCM. (Period of 2 months from the end of data collection by the last ICU to start patient recruitment)

2. A training module in the form of a PowerPoint presentation will be sent to all ICUs to train their staff for assessing RASS score, VAS for pain score and the CAM-ICU score.

3. After obtaining IEC approval, all ICUs can start collecting data, with recruitment of first patient from the ICU taken as the first study day for that unit.

4. Thus all participating ICUs will be asked to start recruitment within a 3 month window, to obtain IEC approval and train their staff.

5. All participating ICUs will upload their patient data (which will be anonymised) directly on to the ISCCM server.

6. The members of the steering committee will be in touch with ICU Research coordinator (designated by each ICU), for trouble shooting and ensuring complete follow-up. If necessary, a telephonic reminder will be given to

7. After the end of the data will be analysed using appropriate statistical methods (as described above) and the manuscript submitted to the Indian Journal of Critical Care Medicine, within 3 months of completion of data collection.