Study (year) Country Al Moamary	Study aim Study period Examine the effects	Design Comparison (where relevant) Pre-post study	Target populationSample sizeAge (years)ILD, bronchiectasis,	Intervention description PR program	Setting Delivery format Outpatient	Study outcomes and results Healthcare utilisation:
(2012) (1) Saudi Arabia	of a PR program on healthcare utilisation. 1 Jul 2004 – 15 Jan 2008	(retrospective audit)	severe asthma, scoliosis 32 ILD=21 Mean age (SD): ILD=61.0 (9.4)	 Duration: 8-12 weeks Frequency: 2-3 times/week Number of sessions: 18-24 Components: Supervised exercise training Patient education Psychosocial support 	• In person Unclear whether it was in group or individual setting	 ED visits – change not significant. Pulmonary outpatient department visits – number reduced 12 months after PR compared to 12 months pre-PR. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Distances logged on treadmill, arm ergometer and bicycle – improved following PR. Treatments: Short-acting bronchodilator inhalers – change not significant. Cumulative prednisone dose – change not significant. Antibiotics courses – change not significant.
Archibald <i>et al</i> (2021) (2) Canada	Examine the effects of participant characteristics, components and timing of palliative care, and carer engagement on location of death. 1 Jan 2012 – 25 Apr 2019	Cohort study (retrospective audit) Participants died at home/hospice vs Participants died at hospital	Various ILD 92 Died at home/hospice=57 Died at hospital=35 Mean age (SD): Died at home/hospice=73 (8.9)	 Palliative care bundle including clinic/home visits and teleconferences Days between first visit and death: participants died at home/hospice= median 318 (ranged 121-728); participants died at hospital= median 492 (ranged 237-1001) Number of visits: mean 4.5 (4.2) visits at home/hospice; 4.3 (3.5) visits at hospital 	Inpatient / outpatient / home • In person/remote • Individual	 Treatments: Use of OT and opioids at death – significantly more of those who died at home/hospice used opioids for dyspnoea before death (88% vs 60%); but no difference between groups for OT (95% vs 91%). Time of OT initiation – those who died at home/hospice initiated OT 5 months earlier than those died at hospital, however, difference between groups not significant.

Supplement 2.1. Comprehensive information of included studies that reported quantitative results

			Died at hospital=68 (10.5)	Components: • Palliative care • Advance care planning • Allied health home care		 Time of opioids initiation – those who died at home/hospice initiated opioids 2 months earlier than those died at hospital, however, difference between groups not significant. Healthcare utilisation: 	
				program		 Home care enrolment – significantly more of those who died at home/hospice used home care before death (100% vs 86%). Time of home care enrolment – those who died at hospital enrolled in home care 1 month earlier than those died at home/hospice, however, difference between groups not significant. 	
						 EOL planning: ACP – significantly more of those who died at home/hospice discussed ACP, goals of care designation, place of care, place of death, and had carer engaging in ACP discussion compared to those who died at hospital. Time of ACP initiation – difference between groups not significant. 	
Arizono <i>et al</i> (2017) (3) Japan	Compare the effects of a PR program in people	Pre-post study (prospective)	IPF, COPD	 PR program Duration: 10 weeks Frequency: twice/week 	Outpatient In person 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, ISWD, Wmax, endurance time, QF – improved following PR. 	
	with COPD and IPF on exercise capacity, dyspnoea	IPF vs	IPF=24	Number of sessions: 20	• Group	Symptoms: • BDI – improved following PR.	
	and HR-QoL. Apr 2008 - Mar 2012	COPD	Mean age (SD): IPF=70.5 (5.9)	Components:Supervised exercise trainingPatient education		HR-QoL: • SGRQ – improved following PR.	

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(2015) (4) of Hospital2Hon DK program on palliative care concerns and evaluate the feasibility and	palliative care concerns and evaluate the feasibility and acceptability of the intervention. Oct 2011 - Dec	omePhase II fast-track RCTin IG), f specific pneum• Semi-structured interviews98of theCase conference within 1 week (IG) vsCG – pa carers= IG – pa carers= (arers= 	CG – patients=27; carers=26 IG – patients=26; carers=19 Mean age (SD): CG – patients=70.6 (10.3); carers=60.3 (13.1) IG – patients=67.1 (10.9); carers=61.3	 IG), fibrotic non- pecific interstitial neumonia Base Same Same Same Same Same Same Same Sam	Home • Remote • Individual	 HR-QoL: Palliative care outcome scale – palliative care concerns (symptom control, psychosocial needs, practical needs, communication and information needs) improved in IG following intervention; improvement sustained at week 8; also improved in CG once intervention was delivered. K-BILD – improved in IG following intervention; improvement sustained at week 8; also improved in CG once intervention was delivered. K-BILD – improved in IG following intervention; improvement sustained at week 8; also improved in CG once intervention was delivered. SGRQ – impact and total scores improved in IG following intervention; symptoms, impact and total scores also improved in CG once intervention was delivered; change in activity scores not significant.
						Symptoms:
						 D12 – change not significant in IG; scores improved in CG once intervention was delivered. MMRC – change not significant in both groups. Zarit Burden Inventory (measuring)
						 Zarit Burden Inventory (measuring carer burden) – change not significant at week 4; but improved in CG once intervention was delivered.
						Psychological wellbeing:
						HADS – anxiety and depression improved in patients in IG following intervention; improvement

Bassi <i>et al</i> (2021) (5)	Examine the effects of a	RCT	Various ILD (36% IPF)	Multidisciplinary palliative care with rehabilitation program	Outpatient	 sustained at week 8; also improved in CG once intervention was delivered. For carers: borderline improvement in both groups. EOL planning: Preferred place of care – achieved in 100% of participants in IG compared to 84% in CG. Preferred place of death – achieved in 88% of participants in IG compared to 77% in CG. Symptoms: Borg scale – change not significant at 	
Italy	multidisciplinary palliative care program on physical and psychological symptoms and HR- QoL. Oct 2016 – Sep 2019	Palliative care (IG) vs No palliative care (CG)	50 CG=25 IG=25 Mean age (SD): CG=77.4 (6.9) IG=74.4 (8.6)	 Duration: 12 months Frequency: meeting with HCPs every 6 weeks Components: Palliative care Discussion regarding understanding of disease and prognosis Establishing goals of care Supervised exercise training Breathing control techniques Unsupervised home exercise with individualised instructions 	 In person/remote Individual 	 Borg scale – change not significant at 6 and 12 months in IG; significantly declined in CG at both time points. Cough (VAS) – declined in both IG and CG at 12 months. Psychological wellbeing: CES-D - change not significant at 6 and 12 months in IG; declined in CG at both time points. HR-QoL: Maugeri Respiratory Questionnaire – change not significant at 6 and 12 months in IG; declined in CG at 12 months. Exercise/functional capacity: 	
						 Chair sit-and-reach test (lower body flexibility) – change not significant in both groups. 30s chair-stand test (strength) – change not significant in both groups. 	

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Bischoff <i>et al</i> (2021) (6) USA	Examine the effects of a multidisciplinary palliative care model on access to palliative care including treatments and ACP. May 2018 – Feb 2020	 Mixed methods: Longitudinal Open-ended interviews Focus group of clinicians 	Various ILD (15% IPF) 31 Mean age (95% CI): 75.8 (72.4 – 79.2)	 Multidisciplinary specialty palliative care model including meeting with a multidisciplinary healthcare team and follow up telephone calls Duration: median 9.9 months (ranged 2.7-19.7) Number of visits: median 3 (ranged 1-9) Components: Palliative care Managing physical and psychological symptoms Assessing and promoting function including referral to PR Discussion of the disease, treatment options and prognosis Psychosocial support Managing medications ACP and advance directives 	Outpatient / home In person/remote Individual 	 EOL planning: ACP and advance directives – documentation of ACP, advance directives and physician orders for life sustaining treatment increased following the intervention. Treatments: Opioids – prescription of opioids for dyspnoea increased from 0% to 51.6%. 	
Brunetti <i>et al</i> (2021) (7) Italy	Identify predictors of success from a PR program. 2010 -2019	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Various ILD (45.8% IPF) 240 Mean age (SD): 71 (8.7)	 PR program Duration: 3-4 weeks Frequency: 5 times/week, ≥2 sessions/day Number of sessions: mean 23 (11.3) Components: Supervised exercise training Patient education Nutritional program Psychosocial counselling 	Inpatient In person Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR; improvement sustained in only 14 participants 10.3 (3.5) months after PR. Symptoms: Borg scale – dyspnoea and leg fatigue improved following PR. MMRC – improved following PR. 	

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Cerdán-de-las- Heras <i>et al</i> (2021) (8) Denmark	Investigate the effect of a tele- rehabilitation program on exercise capacity. Sep 2017 - Apr 2018	RCT Tele-rehabilitation program (IG) vs No tele-rehabilitation program (CG)	IPF 29 CG=14 IG=15 Mean age (SD): CG=72.4 (7.6) IG=70.1 (8.8)	 Tele-rehabilitation program Duration: 12 weeks Frequency: 3-5 times/week Number of sessions: 36-60 Components: Exercise training supervised by a virtual autonomous physiotherapist agent Recording of physical data and access to patient digital files Video consultation and chat sessions with a physiotherapist Patient education Materials used: Mobile application Tablet E-learning packages 	Home Remote Individual	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – within group difference not significant in IG but declined in CG over the 9-month observation period. Between groups differences were significant at 3 and 6 months. Physical activity: 7-day pedometry – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. 7-day vector magnitude counts per minute – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. 7-day vector magnitude counts per minute – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. Psychological wellbeing: GAD-7 – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. HR-QoL: SGRQ – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. K-BILD – difference between groups not significant over the observation period. 	
Chai <i>et al</i> (2022) (9) Singapore	Examine the effect of a palliative care model on healthcare utilisation, allied healthcare referrals, ACP uptake and use of palliative medications.	Cohort study (retrospective audit) Palliative care (IG) vs No palliative care (CG)	Various ILD (51% IPF) 63 CG=37 IG=26 Median age (range): CG=76 (69-81)	 Palliative care model including visits at a palliative care clinic and home care services Duration: 1 year Frequency of visits: <i>unclear</i> Components: Palliative care Self-management strategies for 	Outpatient / home In person Individual	 Healthcare utilisation: Hospitalisation – difference between the numbers of participants with ≥1 hospitalisation in both groups not significant. Referral to allied healthcare support – significantly more participants in IG were referred to dieticians, medical social workers and PR services. 	

	Feb 2016 – Mar 2021		IG=72 (67-78)	 managing physical symptoms Understanding of disease 		 EOL planning: ACP – significantly more participants in IG completed ACP discussions. Do not resuscitate order – significantly more participants in IG had an order in place. Treatments: Opioids and benzodiazepines – significantly more participants in IG started on opioids and benzodiazepines during the study period. 	
Chéhère <i>et al</i> (2019) (10) France	Investigate changes in cardiorespiratory responses during 6MWT; and identify characteristics of non-responders of a PR program. Sep 2014 - Jun 2016	Pre-post study (prospective)	Fibrotic IIP (63% IPF) 19 Mean age (SD): 65 (9)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: weekly Number of home visits: 8 Components: Supervised exercise training Therapeutic patient educational sessions Psychosocial support Goal setting Materials used: Interactive presentations with Q & A Card games Illustrated printed materials 	Home In person Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: BDI/TDI – improved following PR. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – change not significant in anxiety and depression. HR-QoL: SF-36 – physical functioning improved following PR. 	

da Fontoura <i>et</i> <i>al</i> (2018) (11) Brazil	Assess completion rate of a PR program and investigate the characteristics of PR completers and non-completers. Jan 2008 - Oct 2010	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Advanced IPF referred to lung transplantation 48 Mean age (SD): 57.1 (9.7)	 PR program Duration: 12 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 36 (exercise training); 6 (patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: Borg scale – dyspnoea and leg fatigue improved following PR. MMRC – improved following PR. HR-QoL: SF-36 – physical functioning, general health, vitality, role emotional, mental health and physical component summary scores improved following PR; change not significant in role physical, bodily pain, social functioning and mental component summary scores. 	
Deniz <i>et al</i> (2018) (12) Turkey	Examine the impacts of PR and determine whether disease severity influences gains from a PR program. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD (66% IPF) 57 Mean age (SD): 60 (10)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing, relaxation and stretching exercises Patient education Materials used: Educational materials 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: MMRC – improved following PR. Borg scale – total scores improved following PR. HR-QoL: SGRQ – all domains improved following PR. SF-36 – physical functioning, role physical, role emotional, mental health, bodily pain and vitality scores improved following PR; changes in social functioning and general health scores not significant. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety and depression improved following PR. 	

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Devani <i>et al</i> (2019) (13) India	Determine the effects of a PR program.	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Various ILD (28% IPF) 100	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 24 	Outpatient In person Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Muscle strength – improved following PR. 	
	Study period: unclear		Mean age (SD): 56.3 (14.2)	Components Supervised exercise training Breathing training Patient education Nutritional advice Psychosocial support 		 HR-QoL: CRQ – all domains except mastery improved following PR. 	
Dowman <i>et al</i> (2017) (14) Australia	Examine the impact of exercise training in various disease aetiology and severity; and identify the optimal time for training to reach maximal benefit. Nov 2011 - Jun 2014	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Various ILD (43% IPF) 142 CG=68 IG=72 Mean age (SD): CG=70 (11) IG=69 (11)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Optional educational lectures Materials used: Home exercise diary Education manual 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD –improved in IG; improvement did not sustain 6 months after PR. Perceived walking ability – 50% of participants in IG reported improvement compared to 17% in CG. QF – change not significant. HR-QoL: CRQ – all domains improved in IG following PR; improvement in mastery score did not sustain at 6 months. SGRQ – symptom, activity and total scores improved in IG following PR; impact and total scores declined at 6 months. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – change not significant in anxiety and depression Symptoms: MMRC – improved in the IPF 	

						 subgroup following PR. UCSD-SOBQ score – change not significant. Perceived symptom improvement – 50% of participants in IG reported improvement compared to 12% in CG. 	
Duck <i>et al</i> (2015) (15) UK Austria	Describe the structure and benefits of IPF Care program in two countries. 2013 - 2014	Post intervention evaluation	IPF UK=465 Austria=27 Mean age: <i>unclear</i>	 Patient support program for people prescribed pirfenidone including meeting with a HCP and follow up telephone calls Frequency: UK – 1 initial telephone call; then weekly or fortnightly for month 1; tailored to the participant thereafter. Austria – 1 initial telephone call and 1 in person meeting; then weekly or fortnightly for month 1; monthly for month 2-4; once every 4-6 weeks thereafter with additional in person meeting once every 6-8 weeks as required Components: Patient education and support IPF care meeting with other patients, family and friends, and IPF experts (Austria only) Materials used: Information booklets 'My health journal' booklet Visit log (completed by nurse to document issues with the disease or treatment; 	Outpatient / home In person/remote Individual 	 Treatments: Participant remaining on treatment 49% of those in the UK successfully titrated treatment to a stable dose at 19 months; 96% of those in Austria stayed on treatment for ≥ 3 months. Self-efficacy: Participants reported higher rating on statements: 'I feel in control of my condition'; 'I know what to expect from treatment'; and 'I feel confident about how my disease is managed' 4 weeks after taking part in the program. 	N/A

Edwards <i>et al</i> (2020) (16) US	Test the acceptability of using the	Post intervention evaluation	Fibrotic lung disease	participants encouraged to bring the log to their clinic appointments) Digital platform (patientMpower) to facilitate home-based spirometry and symptom	Home • Remote	Treatments: • 66% reported that the intervention helped them take the correct dose	N/A
Ireland	patientMpower application with home spirometry and explore participants' 1-year experience of the intervention. Study period: <i>unclear</i>		Ireland=13 Mean age (range): US=62 (31-79) Ireland=64 (33-91)	 monitoring Duration: ≥ 6 weeks Frequency: daily spirometry Components: Self-monitoring and recording of FVC, breathlessness, step count, medication adherence, symptoms and impact of IPF on daily life Home spirometry Materials used: Mobile application Spirometer YouTube video training on 	• Individual	of medication at the prescribed time and achieve personal exercise goals. HR-QoL: • 93% reported positive effect of using the intervention on wellbeing and daily life. • 86% reported that the intervention was useful for recording the impact of PF on wellbeing and daily life.	N/A
				using the application and spirometer			
	impact of a PR program on functional capacity, dyspnoea and HR-	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD 20 Mean age (SD):	 PR program Duration: 6 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 18 	Outpatient In person Unclear whether it was in group or individual setting 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Peripheral muscle strength and endurance – improved following PR. Symptoms: 	
			50.3 (8.7)	Components: • Supervised exercise training • Breathing exercise • Patient education • Instructions for disease self- management including	individual setting	 MMRC – improved following PR. HR-QoL: SGRQ – improved following PR. 	

				prevention and early			
Ferreira <i>et al</i> (2006) (18) USA	Compare outcomes of a PR program in participants with or without COPD to determine whether disease aetiology influences gains from the program. Jan 2003 - Mar 2008	Pre-post study (retrospective audit) ILD vs COPD	ILD, non-COPD airway disease, COPD 422 Non-COPD=133 ILD=28 (included in pre/post analysis) Mean age: Non-COPD=65.7	recognition of an exacerbation PR program • Duration: 8 weeks • Frequency: 3 times/week • Number of sessions: 24 Components: • Supervised exercise training • Patient education • Psychosocial support	Outpatient In person Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. HR-QoL: CRQ – all domains improved following PR. 	
Ferreira <i>et al</i> (2009) (19) USA	Test whether a PR program improves functional capacity and dyspnoea, and whether certain participant's characteristics predict improvement. Aug 1999 - Apr 2004	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Various ILD (44% IPF) 113 Mean age (SD): 66 (13)	 PR program Duration: 6-8 weeks Frequency: 2-3 times/week Number of sessions: 12-24 Components: Supervised exercise training Pacing and breathing techniques Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: UCSD-SOBQ – improved following PR. Borg score – dyspnoea improved following PR. Psychological wellbeing: CES-D – improved following PR. 	
Fuschillo <i>et al</i> (2018) (20) Italy	Investigate the effects of a PR program on exercise capacity measured by 6MWT and arterial blood gas analysis. 2012 - 2015	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Various ILD (79% IPF) 38 Mean age (SD): 68.4 (9)	 PR program Duration: 4-6 weeks Frequency: 5 times/week Number of sessions: 20-30 (exercise training); 4-6 (patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing techniques Patient education 	Inpatient • In person Unclear whether it was in group or individual setting	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: Borg scale – dyspnoea and leg fatigue improved following PR. 	

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Gaunaurd <i>et al</i> (2014) (21) USA	Test whether a PR program increases physical activity and improves symptoms and HR- QoL. 2014	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	IPF 21 CG=10 IG=11 Mean age (SD): CG=66 (7) IG=71 (6)	 PR program Duration: 3 months Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 24 (exercise training); 10 (educational lectures) Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Materials used: Handouts 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Physical activity: IPAQ – physical activity levels significantly higher in IG during the intervention period; however difference between groups not significant at 3-month follow-up. Symptoms: BDI – change not significant. HR-QoL: SGRQ – symptom scores improved in IG following PR while scores worsened in CG; change not significant in other domains.
Grongstad <i>et</i> <i>al</i> (2020) (22) Norway	Examine the impact of a PR program on exercise capacity and fatigue; and examine the relationship between baseline fatigue and changes in peak oxygen uptake. Apr 2016 – Jun 2017	Pre-post study (prospective)	Sarcoidosis 41 Mean age (SD): 53 (11)	 PowerPoint presentations PR program Duration: 4 weeks Frequency: 2-4 times/week Number of sessions: 20 (individual exercise training); 16 (group exercise training); 19 (group education) Components: Individual exercise training (supervision provided ≥ once/week) Group exercise training Group education and discussions 	Inpatient In person Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: Borg scale – dyspnoea improved following PR. FAS – fatigue improved following PR.
Guler <i>et al</i> (2022) (23) Canada, USA,	Determine the relationship between improvement in	Cohort study (retrospective audit)	Fibrotic ILD (64% IPF) 701	PR programs across 12international sitesDuration: 2-4 weeks	Inpatient / outpatient	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in all PR programs with larger change from

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Australia, Germany and Switzerland	6MWT following a PR program and survival. 2000 – 2022		Inpatient=196 Outpatient=505 Mean age (SD): Inpatient=70 (11) Outpatient=69 (12)	 (inpatient); 6-12 weeks (outpatient) Frequency: 2-3 sessions/day; 5-6 days/week (inpatient); 2-3 sessions/week (outpatient) Components: Supervised exercise training Educational sessions Psychological support Counselling on smoking cessation Nutritional support 	Unclear whether each program was delivered In person or remotely; and whether it was in an individual or group setting	baseline following inpatient PR.	
Holland <i>et al</i> (2008) (24) Australia	Assess the safety of an exercise training program; examine its effects on exercise capacity, HR-QoL and dyspnoea; and determine whether training response differs between those with IPF and other ILDs. Feb 2005 - Nov 2006	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Various ILD (60% IPF) 57 CG=27 IG=30 Mean age (SD): CG=67 (13) IG=70 (8)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Optional education and selfmanagement program Materials used: Exercise diary 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, walk velocity – improved in IG. Wmax – change not significant. Perceived walking ability – 68% of participants in IG reported improvement compared to 20% in CG. HR-QoL: SF-36 – vitality scores improved in IG. CRQ – dyspnoea and fatigue improved in IG; change in emotion and mastery not significant. Symptoms: MMRC – improved in IG. 	
Holland <i>et al</i> (2012) (25) Australia	Investigate the impact of disease aetiology and severity on	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD (57% IPF) 44	PR programDuration: 8 weeksFrequency: twice/week	Outpatient In person/remote 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR; improvement not significant 6 months after PR compared to 	

	response to a DD			• Number of cossions: 16	• Crown/individual	hasoling	
	response to a PR program. Jan 2007 - Dec 2008		Mean age (SD): IPF subgroup=72.9 (6.8) Other ILD=68.1 (8.4)	 Number of sessions: 16 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Optional education and selfmanagement program Materials used: Exercise diary 	• Group/individual	 baseline. HR-QoL: CRQ – dyspnoea improved following PR; improvement not significant 6 months after PR compared to baseline. 	
Huppmann <i>et</i> <i>al</i> (2013) (26) Germany	Investigate the effect of a PR program on functional capacity and QoL. Jan 1999 - May 2010	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD (50% IPF) 402 Mean age (SE): 59.9 (0.6)	 PR program Duration: 30 days Frequency: 4-5 times/week (exercise training); 3 times/week (patient education) Number of sessions: 17-21 (individual exercise training); 12 (group patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing exercises Patient education 	Inpatient In person Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. HR-QoL: SF-36 – all domains improved following PR. Symptoms: VAS (pre/post 6MWT) – change in dyspnoea rating not significant. 	
lgai <i>et al</i> (2022) (27) Japan	Evaluate the effects of a dignity-centred palliative care program on self- esteem, QoL, anxiety, depression, dyspnoea, cough, program satisfaction and the acceptability of the	 Mixed methods: Pre-post study (prospective) Semi-structured interviews 	IPF 12 Mean age (SD): 77.3 (4.6)	 Dignity-centred palliative care program including clinic and home visits Duration: 45 days Frequency: 2 clinic visits; 1 home visit Components: Palliative care Discussion of various topics 	Outpatient / home In person Individual 	 Psychological wellbeing: Rosenberg Self-esteem scale – change not significant. HADS – change in anxiety and depressions not significant. HR-QoL: SGRQ – symptom scores improved; change not significant in other domains. Scoring for the program – highest 	

	program. 18 Apr 2018 – 18 Mar 2019			including self-management, symptom management and observation, daily activities and life review Materials used: • Booklet		 rating in question 1) this program relieves the suffering of my illness; 2) this program will make my life better; 3) this program makes me aware of the meaning of life. Symptoms: MMRC – change not significant. CAT– change in cough domain not significant. 	
Igarashi <i>et al</i> (2018) (28) Japan	Evaluate the effects of a PR program and compare absolute 6MWD and percentage of the predicted value of 6MWD. Jul 2014 – Jun 2016	Non-randomised controlled study PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Various ILD 40 CG=23 IG=17 Mean age (SD): CG=72.8 (5) IG=75 (6.4)	 PR program Duration: 3 months Frequency: weekly (exercise training); monthly (patient education) Number of sessions: 12 (exercise training); 3 (patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Materials used: Exercise and symptom diary 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – change in absolute distance not significant different between groups; improvement in 6MWD %predicted significantly larger in IG. Muscle strength – change not significant. Symptoms: MMRC – improved in IG. HR-QoL: SGRQ – symptom scores improved in IG; no significant difference between groups in other domains. 	
Jackson <i>et al</i> (2014) (29) USA	Test whether a PR program is effective in improving 6MWD, treadmill	RCT PR (IG)	*Same sample as Gaunaurd et al (2014)	* Same intervention as Gaunaurd et al (2014) PR program	Outpatient In person/remote 	 Exercise/functional capacity: Treadmill exercise intensity – improved in IG. 6MWD – change not significant. 	

	exercise, dyspnoea, exercise oxygen uptake and respiratory muscle strength. 2014	vs No PR (CG)	IPF 21 CG=10 IG-11 Mean age (SD): CG=66 (7) IG=71 (6)	 Duration: 3 months Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 24 (exercise training); 10 (educational lectures) Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Materials used: Handouts PowerPoint presentations 	• Group/individual	Symptoms: • BDI – change not significant.	
Janssen <i>et al</i> (2020) (30) USA	Assess the feasibility of conducting a RCT to investigate the effect of palliative care on QoL, anxiety and depression. Sep 2017 - Jul 2018	RCT Palliative care program (IG) vs No palliative care program (CG)	IPF 22 CG=11 IG=11 Mean age (SD): CG=69.5 (7.2) IG=72.7 (8)	 Palliative care program Duration: 6 months Frequency: 1 initial clinic visit; 1 follow up visit at 3 months; ≥1 visit in between Number of visits: ≥3 Components: Palliative care Discussions of symptoms, QoL, support network and understanding of disease Future planning Care goals setting Patient education 	Outpatient In person Individual 	 HR-QoL: SGRQ – difference between groups not significant in impact, activity and total scores; symptom scores trended towards significant worsening in IG but not CG at 6 months. PHQ-9 – difference between groups not significant at 6 months. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – difference in anxiety and depression between groups not significant. Healthcare utilisation: Hospitalisation – no difference between groups. Treatments: Lung transplantation – no difference between groups. 	

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Jarosch <i>et al</i> (2020) (31) Germany	Evaluate the short term and 3-month effect of a PR program on exercise capacity and HR-QoL Study period: <i>unclear</i>	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	IPF 54 CG=18 IG=36 Mean age (SD): CG=65 (10) IG=68 (9)	 PR program Duration: 3 weeks Frequency: 5-6 days/week (exercise training); twice/week (patient education) Number of sessions: 15-18 (exercise training); 6 (patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing therapy Patient education Psychological support Goal setting Materials used: Handouts to facilitate physical activity at home 	Inpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in IG following PR; difference between groups not significant 3 months after PR. HR-QoL CRQ – all domains improved in IG; improvement sustained 3 months after PR. SF-36 – difference between groups in physical component not significant. Mental component improved in IG following PR; different between groups not significant 3 months after PR. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – difference between groups not significant in anxiety. Physical activity: Steps/day – change not significant 1 week after PR.
Kalluri <i>et al</i> (2018) (32) Canada	Explore the relationship between the use of early integrated palliative care and acute care utilisation in the last year of life and location of death. 2009 - 2016	Cohort study (retrospective audit) Multidisciplinary care (MDC; IG) vs Non-MDC care (CG)	IPF 32 IG=22 CG=10 Mean age at first visit (SD): IG=73 (12.3) CG=66 (11.4)	 Multidisciplinary care model that adopts an early integrated palliative approach focusing on early symptom management and ACP with emphasis on community- based care Duration: mean month between first visit and death (SD) – IG=14.4 (13.3); CG=17.4 (17) Frequency: once every 3 months (clinic visits); in between clinic visits (community care team visits) Components: 	Outpatient / home In person Individual 	 Healthcare utilisation: ER visits and hospitalisation – IG were 24.2 times and 2.32 times less likely to have respiratory-related ER visits and hospitalisation compared to CG respectively. EOL planning: ACP – 100% of IG compared to 40% of CG completed ACP. Location of death – 85% of IG died in their preferred location; 90% of CG did not document preferred place of death.

Kalluri <i>et al</i> (2020) (33) Canada	Compare healthcare resource use and costs of EOL care between those receiving early integrated palliative care, specialist care and non-specialist care. 2012 - 2018	Cohort study (retrospective audit) MDC vs Specialist care (SC) vs Non-specialist care (NSC)	IPF 2768 MDC=78 SC=2166 NSC=524 Median age at death (range): MDC=73 (67-83) SC=79 (71-86) NSC=86 (80-91)	 Palliative care Patient education ACP Action plans (written/verbal) Goal setting * Same intervention as Kalluri et al (2018) 	Outpatient / home In person Individual 	 Healthcare utilisation: Hospitalisation – MDC group was 33% less likely to die in hospital compared to SC and NSC group; but differences in length of stay were not significant between groups. Time in intensive care units – lower in MDC group compared to SC group. ED visits – MDC group had the smallest increase in quarterly rate of ED visit; highest in NSC group. Outpatient visit – highest in MDC group. General practitioner claims – lowest in MDC group. EOL associated costs – median costs in the last 3 months of life and for terminal hospitalisation were lowest in MDC group. PR – MDC group was almost 2 times more likely to have undergone PR compared to NSC group (81% vs 37%). Long term care – MDC group was one-third as likely to be in long term care facility compared to NSC group 	
						 care facility compared to NSC group (9% vs 30%). Treatments: Antifibrotic – MDC group was 3 times more likely to have received 	

						 antifibrotic treatment compared to SC group. Opioid – MDC group was 40% more likely to be prescribed opiates during their last year of life. 	
(2021) (34) or Canada m ec ac se pr sy sy m st	Explore the effects of self- management education and action planning on self-efficacy, perceptions of symptoms and symptom management strategies. Aug 2018 - Jan 2019	 Post intervention evaluation Semi-structured 	IPF Questionnaires=12 Semi-structured interviews=13 Mean age (range): 71	* Same intervention as Kalluri et al (2018) with additional focus on patient education and action planning	Outpatient / home In person Individual 	 Self-efficacy: COPD self-efficacy scale – 80% reported being confident in self- management; 43% reported being confident in managing or avoiding breathing difficulties; 20% reported not feeling confident. 	N/A
			(59-83)			 Symptoms: Measure Yourself Medical Outcome Profile – majority reported mild to moderate symptoms; 5 reported dyspnoea, 3 reported fatigue and dyspnoea, 1 reported fatigue only, 1 reported cough only, and 5 reported symptoms other than dyspnoea, cough or fatigue. 	N/A
Kaymaz <i>et al</i> (2013) (35) Turkey	Evaluate the effects of a PR program on exercise capacity,	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Various ILD (50% IPF)	PR programDuration: 8 weeksFrequency: twice/week	Outpatient In person/remote 	 Exercise/functional capacity: ISWD, ESWD – change not significant. 	
	dyspnoea perception, HR-QoL and body composition. 2006-2009		Mean age (SD): 51.3 (16.5)	 (exercise training); monthly (patient education) Number of sessions: 16 (exercise training); 2 (patient education) 	Group/individual	 Symptoms: MRC – improved following PR. HR-QoL: SGRQ – impact domain improved following PR; change not significant in other domains. 	
				 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Nutritional intervention 		 Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety and depression improved following PR. 	

							
				Psychological counselling			
Kerti <i>et al</i> (2018) (36) Hungary	Assess the relationship between exercise capacity and other functional markers as a response to a PR program in ILD and IPF. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	Pre-post study (prospective) IPF vs Non-IPF ILD	Various ILD (43% IPF) 53 ILD subgroup (excluding IPF)=30 IPF subgroup=23 Mean age (SD): ILD subgroup=54 (8) IPF subgroup=45 (9)	 PR program Duration: 4 weeks Frequency: 2-3 times/day Number of sessions: 56-84 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing and stretching techniques 	Inpatient In person Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR in both groups. Grip strength – improved in ILD subgroup excluding IPF; change not significant in IPF subgroup. HR-QoL: CAT – improved following PR in both groups. Symptoms: MMRC – improved following PR in both groups. 	
Keyser <i>et al</i> (2015) (37) USA	Investigate the cardiorespiratory response to a PR program including aerobic exercise training. Feb 2009 - Jul 2012	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD (23% IPF) 13 Mean age (SD): 57 (9.1)	 PR program Duration: 10 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 24-30 Components: Supervised exercise training Educational lectures 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, treadmill CPET duration, Wmax – improved following PR. 	
Khor <i>et al</i> (2021) (38) Australia	Test the feasibility and acceptability of conducting a RCT to evaluate the use of a hand-held fan for dyspnoea management. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	 Mixed methods: RCT Semi-structured interviews Hand-held fan (IG) vs No hand-held fan (CG) 	Fibrotic ILD (33% IPF) 30 CG=15 IG=15 Mean age (SD): CG=71.7 (7.3) IG=73.7 (10.5)	 Use of hand-held fan Duration: 2 weeks Frequency and number of times use depends on the participant Components: Participants received instructions to use the fan at home and during outing for symptom management 	Community / Home • Remote • Individual	Symptoms:• D12 – change not significant.HR-QoL:• K-BILD – change not significant.Self-efficacy:• Self-efficacy for Managing Chronic Disease 6-item scale – change not significant.Exercise/functional capacity: • Manchester Respiratory Activities of	

Kozu <i>et al</i> (2011) (39) Japan	Examine the effects of a PR program on exercise capacity, dyspnoea and health status in IPF; and compare the responses between IPF and COPD. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	Pre-post study (prospective) IPF vs COPD	IPF, COPD (as comparison group) 90 IPF=45 COPD=45 Mean age (SD): IPF=67.5 (7.8) Various ILD (63% IPF)	Materials used: • Hand-held fan PR program • Duration: 8 weeks • Frequency: twice/week • Number of sessions: 16 Components: • Supervised exercise training • Breathing retraining • Unsupervised home exercise program • Patient education Materials used: • Exercise diary PR program	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual Outpatient	 Daily Living questionnaire – change not significant. UAB Study of Aging Life-Space Assessment – change not significant. Physical activity: Steps/day, total energy expenditure, time spent in ≥3 METs/day – change not significant. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR; improvement did not sustain at 6-month. Muscle strength – improved following PR; improvement sustain at 6-month. ADL – improved following PR; improvement sustained at 6-month follow up. Symptoms: MRC – improved following PR; change not significant at 6-month follow up compared to baseline. TDI – change not significant in all domains following PR; bodily pain, general health and social function were significantly worse at 6-month follow up compared to baseline. 	
(40) India	effects of a PR program on exercise capacity, HR-QoL and	PR (IG) Vs	40 CG=20	 Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 	In person/remoteGroup/individual	 6MWD – improved in IG. HR-QoL SGRQ – total score improved in IG. 	

	dyspnoea. Sep 2012 - Sep 2014	No PR (CG)	IG=20 Mean age (SD): CG=62.1 (14.5) IG=59.1 (10.4)	 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Nutritional counselling Psychosocial rehabilitation Materials used: Exercise diary 		Symptoms: • MRC – difference between groups not significant.	
Lindell <i>et al</i> (2010) (41) USA	Test whether participation in a disease management program improves symptom burden and perceptions of QoL in people with IPF and their carers. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	Mixed methods: • RCT • Open-ended interviews PRISM program (IG) vs No PRISM program (CG)	IPF 21 patient/carer dyads CG=11 IG=10 Mean age (SD): CG – patients=67.1 (11.9); carers=67 (8.6) IG – patients=65.2 (10.3); carers=63.3 (12.7)	Disease management program (PRISIM: Program to Reduce Symptoms and Improve Lifestyle Management) • Duration: 6 weeks • Frequency: weekly • Number of sessions: 6 Components: • Patient education Materials used: • A book – 'Feeling good: the new mood therapy' for both groups; IG used the book in group education sessions	Community In person Group 	 Symptoms: UCSD-SOBQ – difference between groups not significant. BDI – difference between groups not significant. HR-QoL: SF-36 – physical component worsened in patients in IG; difference between groups not significant for the mental component. For carers, difference between groups not significant in both physical and mental components. Psychological wellbeing: Beck Anxiety and Depression Inventory – anxiety worsened in patients in IG; difference between groups not significant for the mental components. Psychological wellbeing: Beck Anxiety and Depression Inventory – anxiety worsened in patients in IG; difference between groups not significant for depression. For carers, difference between groups not significant in both anxiety and depression. Perceived stress scale – improved in carers in IG; differences among 	

						patients not significant.	
Lindell <i>et al</i> (2021) (42) USA	Assess the feasibility, acceptability and efficacy (disease knowledge, confidence and preparedness, patient reported outcomes and completion of ACP) of an early palliative care program in people with IPF and their carers. Mar 2017 - Dec 2020	RCT SUPPORT program (IG) vs No SUPPORT program (CG)	IPF 76 patient/carer dyads CG=26 IG=50 Median age (range): CG – patients=73 (68- 76); carers=68 (55- 73) IG – patients=70 (67- 74); carers=67 (62- 72)	 Early palliative care program (SUPPORT: S-symptom management; U-understanding the disease; P-pulmonary rehabilitation; P-palliative care; O- oxygen therapy; R-research considerations; T-transplantation) Duration: 6-8 months Frequency: once every 3 months (patient education); weekly (feedback sessions); biannual (group booster trainings) Number of sessions: 3 (patient education) Components: Palliative care Discussions of different topics included in the SUPPORT booklet 	Community In person/remote Individual/group 	 Symptoms/psychological wellbeing: PROMIS-29 – difference between groups in anxiety, depression, fatigue, pain, physical, satisfaction with social roles and sleep not significant. Perceived stress scale – difference between groups not significant in both patients and carers. HR-QoL: A Tool to Assess Quality of Life in IPF – difference between groups not significant in total, symptom and impact scores. Disease knowledge/self-efficacy: Confidence and disease preparedness – improved in carers following SUPPORT; differences among patients not significant. Knowledge – improved in both patients and carers following 	
Lingner <i>et al</i> Examine the effect	Examine the effects	Pre-post study	Sarcoidosis	 Feedback sessions and group booster trainings Materials used: Educational (SUPPORT) booklet Weblink with audio Educational materials routinely distributed 	Inpatient	SUPPORT. EOL planning: • ACP – more patients completed ACP in IG compared to CG (62% vs 33%). Exercise/functional capacity:	
Lingner <i>et al</i> (2017) (43)	of a PR program on	Pre-post study (prospective)	Sarcoldosis	PR programDuration: 3 weeks	inpatient	 6MWD – improved following PR. 	
Germany	HR-QoL and other clinical outcomes; and investigate whether specific		296 Mean age (SD):	 Frequency: 3-5 times/week Number of sessions: 9-15 	In personGroup/individual	 HR-QoL: SGRQ – all domains improved following PR. 	

	subgroups would particularly benefit from the program. Jan 2011 - Jan 2012		49.1 (9.7)	Components: • Supervised exercise training • Respiratory physiotherapy • Patient education • Social counselling • Nutritional counselling		 SF-36 – physical health and mental health total scores improved following PR. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety and depression improved following PR. Symptoms: 	
				 Psychological support Smoking cessation program Ergotherapy and advice on the use of aids and appliances Materials used:		 MMRC – improved following PR. FAS – improved following PR. Clinical symptoms – number of participants reporting exercise intolerance, fatigue, dyspnoea, joint pain and cough reduced following PR. 	
Magnani <i>et al</i> (2017) (44) Italy	Investigate the effects of a support group on the psychological wellbeing of people with IPF and their carers. Jan 2015 - Jun 2015	Pre-post study (prospective)	IPF 18 Patients=10 Carers=8 Mean age (SD): Whole cohort=66.5 (10.9)	 Printed educational materials Support group facilitated by an expert nurse Duration: 6 months Frequency: monthly Number of meetings: 6 Components: Peer support Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Psychological wellbeing: Psychological General Wellbeing Index – change not significant in all domains (anxiety; depression; positivity and wellbeing; self-control; general health; vitality; total score); anxiety scores had the largest improvement; self-control had the smallest improvement. 	
Matsuo <i>et al</i> (2021) (45) Japan	Identify predictors of short term benefits of a PR program including timing of initiation of PR after diagnosis. Oct 2013 – Oct 2020	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Fibrotic ILD (75% IPF) 28 Median age (range): 77.5 (75.0 – 81.0)	 PR program Duration: 6-10 weeks Frequency: 5 days/week (inpatient); twice/week (outpatient) Number of sessions: 30-50 (inpatient); 12-20 (outpatient) Components: Supervised exercise training 	Inpatient / outpatient • In person Unclear whether it was delivered in group or individual setting	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – change not significant. HR-QoL: SGRQ – change not significant. 	

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				Breathing techniques			
Moor et al (2020) (46)Determine whether a home monitoring program improves QoL and medication use.Jan 2018 - Jan 2019	home monitoring rogram improves oL and redication use. No IPF online (IG) vs No IPF online (CG)	nitoring aproves use. IPF online (IG) vs No IPF online (CG) IG=46 Median age (range): Onli base mon man • I	 Home monitoring program (IPF Online) aimed at facilitating home- based spirometry, symptom monitoring and medication management Duration: 24 weeks Frequency: daily (home spirometry); weekly (reporting of armsteres) 	Home Remote Individual 	 HR-QoL: K-BILD – difference between groups not significant. EQ-5D-5L– difference between groups not significant. Global rating of change – IG trended towards more change, but not significant compared to CG. 		
			CG=72 (58-84) IG=70 (53-83)	of symptoms) Components: • Home spirometry • Self-monitoring of symptoms and medication side effects • Access to daily and overview of spirometry results • Patient education • Medication coach • eConsultation Materials used: • Mobile application • Hand-held spirometer • Tablet • Video and weblink providing		 Psychological wellbeing: HADS – difference between groups not significant in anxiety and depression. Treatments: Patient experiences and satisfaction medication questionnaire – difference between groups not significant regarding satisfaction with medication efficacy, side effect and ease of use. Medication adjustments – more adjustments in IG; all adjustments were due to side effects. Healthcare utilisation: Hospitalisation – difference between groups not significant. Future hearitel (seasers) erectitioner 	
				information about IPF and medication use		 Extra hospital/general practitioner visits – difference between groups not significant. 	
Moor <i>et al</i> (2021) (47) Netherlands	Investigate the feasibility of an online home monitoring	Pre-post study (prospective)	Sclerosis-associated ILD 10	Home spirometry and monitoring application (ILD-online) • Duration: 3 months	Home • Remote	 HR-QoL: K-BILD – total scores decreased. EQ-5D-5L – change not significant. 	
	application and optimal frequency of home		Mean age (SD):	 Frequency: daily home spirometry for the first 6 weeks; 3 times/week for the 	 Individual 	Psychological wellbeing:HADS – change not significant in	

	spirometry.		60.3 (9.9)	second 6 weeks		anxiety and depression.	
	sphometry.		00.3 (5.5)	Second o weeks			
	Study period:			Components:			
	unclear			Home spirometry			
				 Self-monitoring and online reporting of symptoms 			
				 Access to an overview of spirometry results 			
				Patient education			
				eConsultation			
				Materials used:			
				 Mobile application 			
				 Hand-held spirometer 			
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				 Video and weblink providing information about IPF and medication use 			
Naji <i>et al</i>	Examine the effects	Pre-post study	Various ILD (80%	PR program	Inpatient/ outpatient	Exercise/functional capacity:	
(2006) (48)	of a PR program on	(retrospective audit)	IPF), restrictive lung	Duration: 8 weeks		Shuttle test distance and treadmill	
Ireland	exercise tolerance, dyspnoea, HR-QoL		disease with skeletal abnormalities	 Frequency: twice/week 	In person/remote	test duration – improved following	
	and hospital		abilormancies	Number of sessions: 16	Group/individual	PR.	
	admission rate; and		46			Symptoms:	
	determine whether		ILD=35	Components:		CRQ – dyspnoea score improved	
	the effects differ between ILD and			 Supervised exercise training 		following PR.	
	restrictive lung		Mean age (SD):	 Breathing and relaxation 		HR-QoL:	
	disease with		ILD=66.5 (11.3)	techniques		CRQ – total score improved	
	skeletal			 Unsupervised home exercise 		following PR.	
	abnormalities.			program		• SGRQ – improved following PR.	
				Patient education		Psychological wellbeing:	
	Study period: unclear			 Nutritional counselling 		 HADS – anxiety and depression improved following PR. 	

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				 Materials used: Educational video on breathing and exercise training Exercise diary Comprehensive educational manual 		 Healthcare utilisation: Hospital admission days – reduced in the year following PR compared with previous year. 	
Nasrat <i>et al</i> (2021) (49) Egypt	Investigate the effects of a PR program combined with IMT and upper extremities exercises on exercise capacity, dyspnoea, HR-QoL and pulmonary function. Sep 2016 – Dec 2019	Non-randomised controlled study PR combined with IMT and upper extremities exercises (IG) vs PR only (CG)	Various ILD 60 CG=30 IG=30 Mean age (SD): CG=42.5 (7.2) IG=43.2 (9.1)	 PR program with/without ITM and upper extremities exercises associated with breathing Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Controlled breathing exercises Lung hygiene in the form of posture Cough training Percussion IMT combined with upper limb exercises 	Outpatient In person Unclear whether it was delivered in group or individual setting 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in both groups with larger improvement in IG. Symptoms: VAS – dyspnoea improved in both groups with larger improvement in IG. HR-QoL: SF-36 – improved in both groups with larger improvement in IG. 	
Naz <i>et al</i> (2018) (50) Turkey	Examine the effects of an exercise program on functional capacity, muscle strength, perception of dyspnoea, fatigue, , HR-QoL, anxiety, depression and lung function.	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Sarcoidosis 18 CG=9 IG=9 Median age (range): CG=51 (45-57) IG=59 (52-64)	 PR program Duration: 12 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing exercises Unsupervised home exercise 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, leg and back strength-significantly more improvement in IG. Symptoms: MMRC – significantly more improvement in IG. Borg scale – significantly more improvement in dyspnoea in IG. FSS – significantly more 	

	May 2013 - Feb			program		improvement in IG.	
	2015			Materials used: • Exercise diary		 HR-QoL: SGRQ – significantly more improvement in symptom, activity and total scores in IG; while symptom score worsened in CG. SF-36 – difference between groups not significant. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – significantly more 	
						improvement in anxiety in IG; difference between groups not significant in depression.	
Near <i>et al</i> (2021) (51) USA	Examine the impact of a patient support program on nintedanib persistence. 1 Apr 2015 – 31 Jan 2018	Cohort study (retrospective audit) Enrolled in support program vs Not enrolled in support program	IPF 12502 Not enrolled=9388 Enrolled=3114 Mean age (SD): Not enrolled=71.7 (9.3) Enrolled=72.5 (8.3)	 Patient support program for people with IPF treated with nintedanib Duration of program enrolment and frequency of support depends on the participant Components: Support in learning about the disease and medication including managing disease progression, side effects, financial assistance and local resources for support 	Community • Individual Unclear whether it was delivered in person or remotely	 Treatments: Number of participants remained on nintedanib – significantly higher proportion of participants enrolled in the program remained persistent at 6, 12, 18 and 24 months. Mean time to medication discontinuation – significantly longer in participants enrolled in the program (10.9 ± 10.0 months vs 9.3 ± 9.4 months). Number of nintedanib prescription refills before discontinuation – significantly higher in participants enrolled in the program (10.9 ± 9.8 vs 9.0 ± 9.0). Change of dosage – significantly more participants enrolled in the program had a dose decrease compared to participants not-enrolled (61.8% vs 58.1%) during the observation period. 	

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Nishiyama <i>et al</i> (2008) (52) Japan	Investigate the effects of a PR program on functional exercise capacity, HR-QoL and pulmonary function. 2000 - 2004	RCT PR vs No PR	IPF 28 CG=15 IG=13 Mean age (SD): CG=64.5 (9.1) IG=68.1 (8.9)	 PR program Duration: 10 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 20 Components: Supervised exercise training Educational lectures 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in IG. HR-QoL: SGRQ – total scores significantly improved in IG. Symptoms: BDI – difference between groups not significant. 	
Nolan <i>et al</i> (2022) (53) UK	Compare the responses to a PR program between those with IPF and a matched group of people with COPD. Jun 2013 – Jul 2018	Pre-post study (prospective) IPF vs COPD	IPF, COPD (as comparison group) 326 IPF=163 COPD=163 Mean age (SD): IPF=73 (9) COPD=73 (8)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Educational sessions Materials used: A book covering all topics addressed in the educational sessions 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: ISWD – improved in both groups following PR; difference between groups not significant. Symptoms: MRC – improved in both groups following PR; difference between groups not significant. HR-QoL: CRQ – all domains improved in both groups following PR; difference between groups not significant. 88% of those with IPF reported feeling "much better" or "a little better" following PR compared to 91% of those with COPD. 	
Ochmann <i>et al</i> (2012) (54) Germany	Examine the short- and long term effects of a PR program. 2007 - 2010	Longitudinal study	Asbestosis, silicosis, asthma, COPD 263 Asbestosis=66 Silicosis=42 Mean age (range): Whole cohort=64	 PR program at 2 sites Duration: 4 weeks Frequency: <i>unclear</i> Number of sessions: 68 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing exercises 	Inpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in silicosis subgroup following PR; improvement sustained 3 months after PR. Did not improve in asbestosis subgroup and significantly reduced 12 months after PR compared to baseline. Muscle strength – improved in both silicosis and asbestosis subgroups 	

	(35-77)	Relaxation techniquesNutritional education	following PR; improvement sustained in both subgroups 3 and 12 months after PR.	
			• Wmax – improved in both silicosis and asbestosis subgroups following PR; improvement sustained in silicosis subgroup 3 and 12 months after PR but only sustained up to 3 months in asbestosis subgroup.	
			 Symptoms: MRC – change not significant in both subgroups at all time points. BDI/TDI – change not significant in both subgroups at all time points. 	
			 HR-QoL: SF-36 – physical component did not improve in silicosis subgroup at all time points. Change was only significant 3 months after PR in asbestosis subgroup compared to baseline. Change not significant in mental component in both subgroups at all time points. SGRQ – change in total scores not significant in both subgroups at all 	
			 time points. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety improved in both subgroups following PR; change not significant in both subgroups 3 and 12 months after PR compared to baseline. Change not significant in depression in both subgroups at all time points. 	
			 Healthcare utilisation: Physician consultations – change not significant in both silicosis and 	

(2010) (55) of a h Turkey progr funct	Examine the effects of a home-based PR program on functional outcome	of a home-based PR (prospective) orogram on	• D	Duration: 12 weeksFrequency: weekly (telephone	Home • Remote	asbestosis.• Hospital admission – change not significant in both silicosis and asbestosis.Treatments: • Antibiotic courses – change not significant in both silicosis and asbestosis.Exercise/functional capacity: • 6MWD – improved following PR.Symptoms:	
	Study period: unclear		Mean age (SD): 62.8 (8.5)	 supervision; daily (exercise query) Number of telephone supervision: 12 Components: Home exercise program Breathing and relaxation training Materials used: Booklet including exercise instructions 	• Individual	 MMRC – improved following PR. HR-QoL: SF-36 – general health, physical role and emotional role improved following PR; change not significant in other domains. 	
Perez-Bogerd <i>et al</i> (2018) (56) Germany	Investigate the short- and long term effects of a longer PR program on exercise tolerance, muscle strength, HR-QoL and physical activity.	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Various ILD (23% IPF) 60 CG=30 IG=30 Mean age (SD): CG=64 (8)	 PR program Duration: 6 months Frequency: 3 times/week in the first 3 months; twice/week in the second 3 months Number of sessions: 60 Components: 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, Wmax, QF – improved following PR in IG; improvement sustained after 1 year. HR-QoL: SGRQ, CRQ – all domains improved in IG; improvement sustained in all domains of both measures except for CRQ (fatigue) after 1 year. 	

	Mar 2009 - Sep 2011		IG=64 (13)	 Supervised exercise training Patient education Occupational therapy Nutrition counselling Psychosocial support 		 Symptoms: MRC – difference between groups not significant. Physical activity: Steps/day – difference between groups not significant. Time spent in >3 METs/day – difference between groups not significant. 	
Prajapat <i>et al</i> (2016) (57) India	Test whether a PR program improves functional status, muscle mass and systemic inflammation. Study period: unclear	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Various ILD 38 CG=20 IG=18 Mean age (SE): CG=47.6 (2.1) IG=52.2 (2.4)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: 3 days/week Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – significantly more improvement in IG at 12 weeks. 	
Rammaert <i>et</i> <i>al</i> (2011) (58) France	Examine the effects of a home-based PR program on exercise tolerance, dyspnoea and HR- QoL. Apr 2007 - Feb 2008	Pre-post study (prospective)	IPF 17 Mean age (SD): 67 (13)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: weekly (home visits); daily (monitoring of heart rate) Components: Home exercise program Self-monitoring of heart rate during exercise Patient education Materials used: Picture folder and fact sheets 	Home In person/remote Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – change in distance not significant with a significant decrease in maximum heart rate. 6MST – steps increased following PR. Cycle ergometer endurance time – improved following PR. Timed 'up & go' test – change not significant. Test of 10 chair stands – change not significant. Symptoms: MMRC – change not significant. BDI – change not significant. 	

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				for self-learning Heart rate monitor 		 HR-QoL: SF-36 – perceived physical limitation during exercise improved following PR. SGRQ – change not significant. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – change not significant. 	
Rifaat <i>et al</i> (2014) (59) Egypt	Investigate the effects of a PR program on functional status and dyspnoea. Study period: unclear	Pre-post study (prospective)	IPF 30 Mean age (SD): 54.4 (6.1)	 PR program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing exercises Patient education Psychological support 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: Borg score – dyspnoea improved following PR. HR-QoL: SGRQ – total scores improved following PR. 	
Ryerson <i>et al</i> (2014) (60) Canada	Determine the short- and long term effects of PR program on functional and symptomatic outcomes; define the predictors of functional change; evaluate the relationship of changes in HR-QoL to changes in function and symptom scores. 2010 - 2012	Cohort study (prospective)	Various ILD (41% IPF) 54 Mean age (SD): 69.4 (10.8)	 Similar PR programs across 3 sites Duration: 6-9 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 12-18 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Educational sessions 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR; improvement sustained at 6-month follow up. Global change in exercise/functional capacity – 81% of participants reported improvement following PR; minimal change at 6-month follow up compared to baseline. Symptoms: UCSD-SOBQ – improved following PR; change not significant at 6- month follow up compared to baseline. Physical activity: Rapid Assessment of Physical Activity questionnaire – physical 	

(2010) (61)	Test whether a PR program improves 6MWD, exercise tolerance, muscle force, dyspnoea and HR-QoL. 2000 - 2004 Examine the impact	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	ILD, chest wall disease 31 ILD=11 Mean age (SD): ILD=54 (19) ILD, COPD, asthma, bronchiectasis lung	PR program • Duration: 12 or 24 weeks • Frequency: <i>unclear</i> • Number of sessions: ≤ 60 sessions over 24 weeks Components: • Supervised exercise training • Patient education • Occupational therapy including advice on ADL • Nutritional support Materials used: • Informational materials PR program across 3 sites	Outpatient • In person • Group Outpatient	 activity levels improved following PR; improvement sustained at 6- month follow up. HR-QoL: SGRQ – improved following PR; improvement sustained at 6-month follow up. Global change in QoL – 81% of participants reported improvement following PR; minimal change at 6- month follow up compared to baseline. Psychological wellbeing: GDS – improved following PR; improvement sustained at 6-month follow up. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD, Wmax – improved at both 12 and 24-week. QF – change not significant at both time points compared to baseline. Symptom: CRQ – dyspnoea and fatigue improved at both 12 and 24-week. HR-QoL: CRQ – mastery and emotion improved at both 12 and 24-week. 	
	of a PR program on exercise capacity,	(retrospective audit)	bronchiectasis, lung cancer, pulmonary	 Duration: 8 weeks 		 6MWD – improved in the ILD subgroup following PR. 	

Canada	HR-QoL and self- efficacy; and explore whether effects vary across different lung diseases. 2016 – 2019		hypertension, other restrictive lung diseases 682 ILD=127 Mean age (SD): Whole cohort=71.6 (9.3)	 Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 16 Components Supervised exercise training Breathing exercise Patient education 	 In person Group 	 Symptoms: VAS – fatigue improved in the ILD subgroup following PR. MRC – change not significant. HR-QoL: SGRQ – change not significant. Clinical COPD questionnaire – improved in the ILD subgroup following PR. Self-efficacy: Self-efficacy for Managing Chronic Disease 6-item scale – improved in the ILD subgroup following PR. 	
Satsuma <i>et al</i> (2020) (63) Japan	Assess the usefulness of an ambulatory care pharmacy practice on pirfenidone persistence. Jan 2012 – Jan 2019	Non-randomised controlled study Collaborative pharmacist-physician management (IG) vs Conventional management (CG)	IPF 76 CG=61 IG=15 Median age (range): CG=74 (68-80) IG=76 (71-80)	 Pharmacist-physician collaborative management for people treated with pirfenidone Duration: 3 months Number of consultations with pharmacist: ≥ 2 Components: Education and support at the ambulatory care pharmacy practice to enhance effective management of medication Materials used: Patient education book 	Outpatient In person/remote Individual 	 Treatment: Discontinuation rate – lower in IG at 3 and 6 months, but differences were not significant. Time to discontinuation – longer in IG. 	
Sciriha <i>et al</i> (2019) (64) Malta	Investigate the effects of a PR program on functional and HR- QoL measures.	Non-randomised controlled study Active group	Various ILD (>70% IPF) 120	 PR program Duration: 12 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 24 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR in the active group. Symptoms: 	
		vs Non-active group	Active group=60 Inactive group=60			 Borg score – dyspnoea improved in active group following PR. 	

	Study period: unclear		Mean age: unclear	 Components: Supervised exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Patient education Materials used: Exercise diary 		 MMRC – improved in active group following PR. HR-QoL: SGRQ – impact and total scores improved in active group following PR; change not significant for the activity and symptoms domains. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – change in anxiety and depression not significant compared to baseline. 	
Sgalla <i>et al</i> (2015) (65) Italy	Evaluate the safety and feasibility of a mindfulness based stress reduction program and investigate its impact on mood, HR-QoL and pulmonary function. Nov 2012 - Nov 2013	Pre-post study (prospective)	Various ILD (63% IPF) 19 Mean age (SD): 65 (8)	 Mindfulness based stress reduction program Duration: 8 weeks Frequency: weekly (during intervention period); quarterly (during post-intervention observation period) Number of sessions: 12 Components: Mindfulness techniques with a focus on controlled breathing Unsupervised home practise Materials used: Mindfulness CDs 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Psychological wellbeing: Profile of mood state – fatigue, depression, anger and vigour improved at study completion; change not significant in tension. Perceived stress scale – control of irritation, uncontrollable anger, anger, irritability, and self-control improved over the study period. Symptoms: UCSD-SOBQ – change not significant. Cough and Sputum Assessment Questionnaire – change not significant. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – change not significant. 	
Sharp <i>et al</i> (2017) (66) UK	Determine the sustained benefits of a PR program; identify baseline characteristics associated with the responses; and evaluate PR	 Mixed methods: Pre-post study (retrospective audit) Semi-structured focus group 	Various ILD (35% IPF) 79 Mean age (SD): 68.8 (11.9)	 PR program Duration: 6 weeks Frequency: twice/week Number of sessions: 12 Components: Supervised exercise training 	Outpatient In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: ISWD – improved following PR; change not significant at 6 and 12- month follow up compared to baseline. HR-QoL: CRQ – total scores improved following PR; change not significant 	

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	experiences using qualitative			Unsupervised home exercise program		at 6 and 12-month follow up compared to baseline.	
	assessment.			Educational sessions		Psychological wellbeing:	
	Study period: unclear			Materials used:PowerPoint presentationHandouts		 HADS – change not significant compared to baseline. 	
Shen <i>et al</i> (2021) (67) China	Investigate the impact of breathing exercise on HR-QoL and lung function. Jan 2015 – May 2017	RCT Breathing exercise (IG) vs No breathing exercise (CG)	IPF 82 CG=43 IG=39 Mean age (SD): CG=65.0 (8.0) IG=65.3 (6.1)	 Breathing exercise training Duration: 12 months Frequency: twice/week for 2 weeks before trial started (supervised exercise); 3 times/day (unsupervised exercise); monthly (self- video recording of exercise) Number of sessions: 4 (supervised exercise) Components: Supervised breathing exercise training Unsupervised breathing exercise training Self- video recording of exercise provided to HCP to ensure correct techniques Materials used: Adverse events diary 	Outpatient / home In person/remote Individual 	 HR-QoL: SGRQ – improved in IG while CG worsened with significant differences in change comparing both groups at both 6 and 12 months. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – decreased in both groups at both 6 and 12 months but the decline was not significant in IG over time while CG had a significantly larger decline compared to IG at 12 months. 	
Shimoda <i>et al</i> (2021) (68) Japan	Test whether a PR program improves ADLs in people with remaining symptoms and not yet recovered their	Pre-post study (prospective)	Interstitial pneumonia, COPD, asthma, nontuberculous mycobacterial pulmonary infection,	 PR program Duration: median 9 days (ranged 6-12) Frequency: 5 days/week 	Inpatient In person Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: ISWD – improved following PR. Barthel index – improved following PR. Nagasaki University Respiratory ADL questionnaire – improved following 	

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	ability to perform ADLs.		old healed pulmonary tuberculosis, comorbidity without	Components:Supervise exercise trainingPatient education		 PR. Short Physical Performance Battery improved following PR. 	
	Oct 2018 – Oct 2019		respiratory diseases			 Symptoms: MMRC – improved following PR. CAT – change not significant. 	
			Interstitial pneumonia=8			Psychological wellbeing:CES-D – change not significant.	
			Median age (range): IP=79.0 (76.5 – 84.8)				
Stanziola <i>et al</i> (2022) (69) Italy	Evaluate the impact of a Telemedicine Service on the management of IPF including hospitalisation and death. 11 Mar – 4 May 2020	Post intervention evaluation 2020 cohort (when service was available) vs 2019 cohort (when service was not available)	IPF 371 2020 cohort=189 2019 cohort=182 Mean age (SD): 2020 cohort=71.8 (7.4) 2019 cohort=70 (8.1)	 Telemedicine service during COVID-19 outbreak Frequency: ≥3 times/week (monitoring of clinical parameters) Duration of service use and number of contacts depend on the participant Components: Access to email, telephone and videoconference services General measures to prevent COVID-19 diffusion (i.e handwashing, use of face masks in public, social distancing, isolation) Self-monitoring of clinical parameters (e.g. blood pressure, oxygen saturation) 	Community / home Remote Individual 	 Healthcare utilisation: Participants in the 2020 cohort were significantly less likely to experience hospitalisation compared to the 2019 cohort. 	
				Materials used:Mobile applications for chat and videoconference			

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Swigris <i>et al</i> (2011) (70) USA	Test whether a PR program improves functional capacity, fatigue, sleep, anxiety, depression and HR-QoL. 2008-2009	Pre-post study (prospective) IPF vs COPD	IPF, COPD (as comparison group) 77 IPF=21 COPD=56 Mean age (SD): IPF: 71.5 (7.4)	 Similar PR programs across 6 sites Duration: 6-8 weeks Frequency: 2-3 times/week Number of sessions: 18 Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing techniques Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved following PR. Symptoms: FSS – improved following PR. Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index – change not significant. Psychological wellbeing: GAD-7 – change not significant in all domains of the anxiety scale. PHQ-8 (measuring depression) – change not significant in all domains. HR-QoL: SF-36 – change not significant in all domains. 	
Talwar <i>et al</i> (2014) (71) USA	Examine the effects of a PR program on fatigue measured by the Fatigue Severity Scale. Study period: <i>unclear</i>	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Advanced ILD/IPF, COPD 21 ILD/IPF=5 Mean age (SD): Whole cohort=64.5 (10.9)	 PR program Duration: 6-8 weeks Frequency: 3 times/week (exercise training); twice/week (patient education) Number of sessions: 18-24 (exercise training); 12-16 (patient education) Components: Supervised exercise training Patient education 	Outpatient In person Group 	Symptoms: • FSS – improved following PR. Psychological wellbeing • GDS – change not significant.	
Thombs <i>et al</i> (2021) (72) Canada, Australia, France, Mexico, Spain, UK and USA	Assess the effects of the Scleroderma Patient-centred Intervention Network COVID-19 Home-isolation Activities Together program on anxiety	RCT SPIN-CHAT (IG) vs Waitlist SPIN-CHAT (CG)	Systemic sclerosis 172 CG=86 IG=86 Mean age (SD):	Scleroderma Patient-centred Intervention Network COVID-19 Home-isolation Activities Together (SPIN-CHAT) program in 7 countries – a multi-faceted education and support program for mental health during COVID-19 outbreak including videoconferences	Community / home Remote Group 	 Psychological wellbeing: PROMIS – change not significant in anxiety immediately post intervention but improved at 6 weeks. PHQ – change not significant in depression immediately post intervention but improved at 6 	

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	and other mental health outcomes on		CG=54.0 (10.9)	Duration: 4 weeks		weeks.	
	people with at least		IG=56.0 (11.9)	 Frequency: 3 sessions/week 		COVID-19 Fears questionnaire –	
	mild anxiety			 Number of sessions: 12 		change not significant over the 6- week period.	
	symptoms.						
	, ,			Components:		Multidimensional State Boredom	
	9 Apr 2020 – 27 Apr			 Patient education 		scale – change not significant over the 6-week period.	
	2020			Home exercises		 UCLA Loneliness Scale – change not 	
				 Peer support 		significant over the 6-week period.	
				Materials used:		Physical activity:	
						 IPAQ – change not significant in 	
				Resource materials to support		physical activity levels over the 6-	
				topics covered		week period.	
Tonelli <i>et al</i>	Confirm the	Pre-post study	Various ILD (63% IPF)	Similar PR program across 2 sites	Outpatient (27%) /	Exercise/functional capacity:	
(2017) (73)	benefits of PR	(prospective)		• Frequency: 6 days/week – daily	inpatient (73%)	 6MWD – improved following PR. 	
Italy	program delivered	(41	in the first week then			
itary	in both in- and		41	twice/day thereafter (exercise		• Endurance test – cycle endurance	
	outpatient setting;		Inpatient=30	training); 3 sessions/week	In person	time and power improved following PR.	
	and investigate the		Outpatient=11	(educational sessions)	 Individual/group 		
	influences of			 Number of sessions: ≥24 		Symptoms:	
	baseline exercise		Mean age (SD):	(exercise training)		 MMRC – improved following PR. 	
	capacity, disease		66.9 (10.9)				
	severity and			Components:		HR-QoL:	
	aetiology on clinical						
	outcomes.			Supervised exercise training		 SGRQ – all domains improved following PR. 	
				 Breathing training 			
	Jan 2013 - Jan 2015			 Educational sessions 			
				 Psychosocial support 			
Trivedi (2017)	Investigate the	Non-randomised	Silicosis	Disease specific education program	Outpatient	Symptoms:	
(74)	effects of a PR	controlled study		with/without PR exercise training		 MRC – improved in both groups but 	
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India	program on dyspnoea and lung capacities.	PR with education program	48 PR with education program=24	 Duration: 4 weeks Frequency: 4 days/week (exercise training); weekly 	In personGroup	higher significance level in group receiving both PR exercise training and education program.	
	Study period: unclear	vs Education program only	Education program only=24 Mean age: 52	 (education program) Number of sessions: 16 (exercise training); 4 (education program) 			
				Components: • Supervised exercise training • Education program			
				Materials used: • Audio-visual tape • Pamphlets			
Tsang <i>et al</i> (2018) (75) Hong Kong (China)	Evaluate the clinical benefits of a community-based rehabilitation program and a home-based rehabilitation program. 2008 - 2011	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Pneumoconiosis 181 Community based rehabilitation program (CBRP)=155 Home based rehabilitation program (HBRP)=26 Mean age (SD): CBRP=70.7 (8) HBRP=74.5 (8.3)	Community or home-based rehabilitation program Duration: 4-6 weeks (CBRP) Frequency: twice/week (CBRP); 8 home visits (HBRP) Number of sessions/visits: 8-12 group sessions (CBRP); 8 home visits (HBRP) Components: CBRP Breathing retraining Home exercise conditioning Patient education Walking aids and exercise apparatus procention	Community / home In person Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in both CBRP and HBRP. HR-QoL: CRQ – emotion and mastery improved in CBRP; change in all domains not significant in HBRP. SF-12 – physical component improved in CBRP; change in both physical and mental components not significant in HBRP. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety and depression improved in CBRP; change not significant in HBRP. 	
				 apparatus prescription HBRP Breathing retraining 		 Disease knowledge: Disease knowledge test – improved in both CBRP and HBRP. 	

improved in IG following PR but did

	Jan 2012 - July 2014					not sustain at 11-month.	
	Vainshelboim et al (2016): Investigate the effects of a PR program on physical activity and body composition over 11 months. Jan 4, 2012 - Nov 30, 2013						
Wallaert <i>et al</i> (2019) (79) France	Investigate the long term effects of a home-based PR program. Dec 2011 - Dec 2017	Pre-post study (retrospective audit)	Fibrotic idiopathic interstitial pneumonia (54% IPF) 112 Mean age (SD): 66.8 (10.2)	 PR program Duration: 2 months Frequency: weekly Number of sessions: 8 Components: Supervised in-home exercise training Unsupervised home exercise program Training in resumption of daily life physical activity Therapeutic patient education Psychosocial support Motivational communication to facilitate behavioural change and self-management Materials used: Exercise diary Interactive presentations, Q&A, card games and an illustrated folder 	Home In person/remote Individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MST – improved in IG following PR; improvement sustained at 6 and 12- month. HR-QoL: VSRQ – improved in IG following PR; improvement sustained at 12- month. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – anxiety improved in IG following PR; improvement sustained at 12-month. Difference between groups not significant for depression. 	

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Wallaert <i>et al</i> (2020) (80) France	Assess the long term impact of a PR program on daily life physical activity. Jul 2012 - Apr 2016	RCT PR (IG) vs No PR (CG)	Sarcoidosis 38 CG=18 IG=20 Median age (range): CG=57.5 (49-65) IG=57.5 (48-63.5)	 PR program Duration: 2 months Frequency: 3 times/week Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Training in resumption of daily life physical activity Therapeutic patient education Psychosocial support Motivational communication to facilitate behavioural change and self-management 	Outpatient In person Individual/group 	 Physical activity: 12-month change in time spent in activities above an estimated energy expenditure of 2.5 METs – change not significant. Steps/day, total daily energy expenditure/day, total energy expenditure above 2.5 METs/day – change not significant at 6 and 12-month. Exercise/functional capacity: 6MST – improved in IG at following PR, improvement sustained at 12-month. Symptoms: MMRC – improved in IG following PR; improvement sustained at 6-month but difference between groups not significant at 12-month. FAS – no immediate improvement following PR but improved in IG at 12-month. HR-QoL: VSRQ – improved in IG following PR; difference between groups not significant at 6 and 12-month. Psychological wellbeing: HADS – difference between groups not significant in anxiety and depression over the 12-month observation period. 	
Zaki <i>et al</i> (2021) (81) India	Examine the benefits of IMT added to a PR program on	RCT PR with IMT (IG)	ILD (IPF: CG=32%; IG=30%)	PR program with/without IMTDuration: 8 weeksFrequency: 3 times/week	Outpatient In person 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – improved in both groups with significantly larger improvement in IG. 	

	inspiratory muscle strength, functional capacity, HR-QoL, dyspnoea and pulmonary function. 5 May 2019 – 28 Sep 2019	vs PR alone (CG)	51 CG=25 IG=26 Mean age (SD): CG=53.1 (13.3) IG=53.4 (13.6)	 Number of sessions: 24 Components: Supervised exercise training Dyspnoea coping strategies Nutritional guidance Psychological counselling 	Unclear whether it was delivered in group or individual setting	 HR-QoL: SGRQ – improved in all domains in both groups with significantly larger improvement in activity domain and total scores in IG. Symptoms: MMRC – improved in both groups with significantly larger improvement in IG. 	
Zhang <i>et al</i> (2022) (82) China	Investigate the effects of a PR program combined with conventional drugs on BODE and pulmonary function indexes. Apr 2020 – Apr 2021	Pre-post study (retrospective audit) PR with conventional drugs (IG) vs Conventional drugs alone (CG)	Interstitial pneumonia 89 CG=41 IG=48 Mean age (SD): CG=65.6 (3.1) IG=66.0 (3.0)	 PR combined with conventional drug treatment Duration: 3 months Frequency: 3-4 times/day; twice/day Components: Supervised exercise training Breathing training Patient education Psychological intervention Relaxation training 	Outpatient Unclear whether it was delivered in person or remotely; and whether it was in an individual or group setting	 Exercise/functional capacity: BODE (exercise ability) –improved in both groups with significantly larger improvement in IG. Symptoms: BODE (airflow obstruction and dyspnoea) –improved in both groups with significantly larger improvement in IG. 	
Zhou <i>et al</i> (2021) (83) China	Compare the effectiveness and safety of a pulmonary Daoyin rehabilitation program with usual care. Apr 2017 – Aug 2018	RCT Pulmonary Daoyin (PD) rehabilitation program vs Exercise training (ET) vs Usual activity (CG)	IPF 96 CG=33 ET=31 PD=32 Mean age (SD): CG=67 (10) ET=64 (9) PD=66 (11)	 Pulmonary Daoyin rehabilitation program – a traditional Chinese medicine rehabilitation program Duration: 2 months Frequency: 5 days/week Components: Intensive supervised exercise Unsupervised home exercise Mediative technique and mind regulation Posture and movements 	Outpatient / home In person/remote Group/individual 	 Exercise/functional capacity: 6MWD – the PD group had significantly larger improvement than both ET group and CG at 2 and 6 months from baseline. HR-QoL: SGRQ – the PD group had significantly larger improvement in the activity, impact domain and total score compared to CG 2 months following baseline; improvement in the impact domain and total score remained significant at 6 months; differences in change in all domains 	

Breathing exercises	not significant when compared to ET group.	
 Materials used: Written instructions CD to facilitate self-practice Diary to record frequency of home sessions 	 Symptoms: MMRC – the PD group had significantly larger improvement than both ET group and CG at 2 and 6 months from baseline. 	

- Change not significant compared to baseline or no significant difference between groups.
- Mixed results.
- Significant improvement from baseline, or better when compared to other group/s.
- Significant worsening compared to baseline, or worse when compared to other group/s
- N/A Descriptive data with no comparison made.

ILD: interstitial lung disease; PR: pulmonary rehabilitation; EOL; end-of-life; OT: oxygen therapy; RCT: randomised controlled trial; IPF; idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis; COPD:

chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; HR-QoL: health related – quality of life; IG: intervention group; CG: control group; HCP: healthcare professional; VAS: visual

analogue scale; IIP: idiopathic interstitial pneumonia: ADL: activity of daily living; IMT: inspiratory muscle training.

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