Understanding the development and running of Recovery Colleges in England

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26/07/2021	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
10/08/2021	Ongoing	Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
26/05/2022	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Recovery Colleges are a recent approach to supporting people living with mental health problems. They are collaborative, strengths-based, person-centred, inclusive (i.e. available to all) and community-focused. A Recovery College provides support to students (mainly mental health service users but also family members, staff and other stakeholders) through adult education rather than through clinical approaches. This research project aims to investigate how Recovery Colleges can provide the most benefit to people who use mental health services using five scientific studies. This is the first study, which aims to understand and describe Recovery Colleges in England.

Who can participate?

Managers or senior leaders of Recovery Colleges in England, aged over 18 years

What does the study involve?

To describe Recovery Colleges in England, a national survey will be sent to Recovery College managers to investigate what each Recovery College looks like and how it runs. The survey will include a manager-rated assessment of Recovery College fidelity. Once managers have completed the survey, they will then be invited to take part in a 45-minute follow-up interview to explore how their Recovery College worked before and after the pandemic.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

Recovery College managers will get the opportunity to have their Recovery College represented in the national survey and findings may help shape future service direction. There are no known risks to participating in this study.

Where is the study run from? King's College London (UK)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? December 2020 to November 2025

Who is funding the study? National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) (UK)

Who is the main contact?
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Study website

https://www.researchintorecovery.com/research/recollect/

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Nil known

IRAS number

211925

ClinicalTrials.gov number

Nil known

Secondary identifying numbers

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Study information

Scientific Title

Recovery Colleges Characterisation and Testing (RECOLLECT): Understanding the development and running of Recovery Colleges in England using a national survey and follow-up interviews with Recovery College Management

Acronym

RECOLLECT 2

Study objectives

Objectives:

- 1. To describe Recovery Colleges in England
- 2. To establish Recovery College costs
- 3. To establish how the pandemic has affected Recovery Colleges
- 4. To understand the organisational context and history of Recovery Colleges

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

The research was reviewed by the sponsor (Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust), who confirmed that approval from a research ethics committee was not needed as this is a study of usual practice. Sponsorship number: 118257

Study design

National survey and qualitative interviews

Primary study design

Observational

Secondary study design

National survey and qualitative interviews

Study setting(s)

Other

Study type(s)

Other

Participant information sheet

No participant information sheet available

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Mental health and wellbeing

Interventions

The intervention in question is 'Recovery Colleges'. For the purposes of the project, these are services that meet the following criteria:

- 1. They focus on supporting personal recovery
- 2. They aspire to co-production
- 3. They aspire to adult learning

This study will be describing the running of Recovery Colleges and establishing the costs of Recovery Colleges in England as well as exploring how COVID-19 has influenced Recovery College function. To describe the running of Recovery Colleges and the costs associated with this, the researchers will employ a national survey of Recovery College managers in England at a single timepoint. This survey will also measure Recovery College fidelity. Follow-up qualitative interviews will then be used to examine the impact that COVID-19 has had on Recovery College function.

Intervention Type

Other

Primary outcome measure

The running of Recovery Colleges and the associated costs, assessed using a national survey of Recovery College managers in England at a single timepoint

Secondary outcome measures

There are no secondary outcome measures

Overall study start date

01/12/2020

Completion date

30/11/2025

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. A Manager/Senior leader at a Recovery College
- 2. Give informed consent

Participant type(s)

Health professional

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

80

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Aged under 18 years
- 2. Unable to give informed consent
- 3. Not a Manager/Senior leader

Date of first enrolment

01/08/2021

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2021

Locations

Countries of recruitment

England

United Kingdom

Study participating centre

Kings College London (Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience)

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Sponsor information

Organisation

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

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Sponsor type

Hospital/treatment centre

Website

http://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/

ROR

https://ror.org/04ehjk122

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

National Institute for Health Research

Alternative Name(s)

National Institute for Health Research, NIHR Research, NIHRresearch, NIHR - National Institute for Health Research, NIHR (The National Institute for Health and Care Research), NIHR

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

National government

Location

United Kingdom

Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Additional documents are available on request from the authors.

Dissemination will include tailored messaging through various networks (professional, service user and carer, research networks including into low- and middle-income countries, ImROC, the Recovery College Network), via websites (e.g., Research into Recovery), and a knowledge mobilisation event at the end of the programme.

Outputs will include papers in high impact academic/practitioner journals, conferences, reports and briefings.

Intention to publish date

01/06/2022

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The datasets generated during and/or analysed during the current study are/will be available upon request from the sponsor Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (research@nottshc.nhs.uk) at the end of the study in 2025. Data will be in an anonymised form for descriptive and exploratory research.

IPD sharing plan summary

Available on request