An Australian randomised trial of group psychotherapy for deliberate self harm in adolescents: Replication and extension of a British study

Submission date	Recruitment status	Prospectively registered
07/01/2005	No longer recruiting	☐ Protocol
Registration date	Overall study status	Statistical analysis plan
26/05/2005	Completed	☐ Results
Last Edited	Condition category	Individual participant data
12/11/2008	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	Record updated in last year

Plain English summary of protocol

Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)

Scientific

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Additional identifiers

Protocol serial number N/A

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

Not provided at time of registration

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Not provided at time of registration

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Self harm

Interventions

This trial aims to replicate Wood et al's (2001) study and continue evaluation of whether group psychotherapy is associated with decreased repetition of self harm in adolescents. Adolescents will be randomised to treatment as usual (TAU) or the group intervention (to be used in conjunction with TAU).

The experimental arm involves attendance at six group sessions run by local clinicians. Participants can continue attending the group for up to one year. The group psychotherapy is manualised and based on problem solving and cognitive behavioural therapy.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Outcome assessments will be conducted at baseline, seven weeks, six months and one year. Outcomes of interest include repetition of self harm, changes in diagnosis, level of depressive symptoms and level of suicidal ideation. Service use and repetition of self harm will be monitored monthly.

Key secondary outcome(s))

Not provided at time of registration

Completion date

31/01/2007

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Adolescents (12-16 years) who present to one of three Australian child and youth mental health services and who report having engaged in two or more episodes of deliberate self harm in the past year are eligible to participate.

Deliberate self harm is defined as any intentional self inflicted injury, regardless of the apparent purpose of the act (includes suicidal and non suicidal behaviour).

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Child

Lower age limit

12 years

Upper age limit

16 years

Sex

All

Key exclusion criteria

Acute psychosis, anorexia nervosa, intellectual delay, and inability to attend the intervention or research appointments.

Date of first enrolment

01/11/2004

Date of final enrolment

31/01/2007

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Australia

Study participating centre Locked Bag 1014

Wallsend, NSW Australia 2287

Sponsor information

Organisation

American Foundation of Suicide Prevention

ROR

https://ror.org/01zcf4n33

Funder(s)

Funder type

Charity

Funder Name

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (USA)

Alternative Name(s)

AFSPNational AFSP, AFSP

Funding Body Type

Government organisation

Funding Body Subtype

Trusts, charities, foundations (both public and private)

Location

United States of America

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration