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A randomised controlled trial (RCT) to assess the incremental costs and clinical benefits of cognitive analytic therapy (CAT) to standard care within community mental health teams in the treatment of severe personality disorder

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Registration date 23/01/2004	Overall study status Completed	 Statistical analysis plan Results
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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

A randomised controlled trial (RCT) to assess the incremental costs and clinical benefits of cognitive analytic therapy (CAT) to standard care within community mental health teams in the treatment of severe personality disorder

Study objectives

Cognitive-analytic therapy (CAT) has established a claim to make a valuable and economic contribution to the treatment of patients with severe personality disorders. This has been demonstrated in a range of descriptive and clinical case studies though no randomised controlled study has so far established its effectiveness with this severely disturbed patient group.

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

Secondary study design Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s) Not specified

Study type(s) Not Specified

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied Mental and behavioural disorders: Other mental disorder

Interventions

- 1.24 sessions of cognitive-analytical therapy (CAT)
- 2. Standard care

Intervention Type Other **Phase** Not Specified

Primary outcome measure

Beck Depression Inventory, Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV, MCMI-III, Client Service Receipt Interview.

Secondary outcome measures Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date 01/07/1998

Completion date

01/07/1999

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

48 'hard to treat' mental health service users with complex mental health problems who have been in active contact with the participating trusts for at least one year and whose major presenting problems have not been successfully treated. Inclusion criteria:

1. A diagnosis of Cluster B Personality Disorder (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, fourth edition [DSM IV], Axis II - as per Million Clinical Multiaxial Inventory III [MCMI III]) 2. A Beck Depression Index score above 25

3. One year (or longer) history of unsuccessful treatment (assessed by case note review by the responsible medical officers [RMOs]); or at least two hospital admissions in the past 5 years following parasuicide.

4. Still on active caseload of Community Mental Health Team (CMHT) (Care Programme Approach [CPA] level 1 or higher).

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group Not Specified

Sex Not Specified

Target number of participants

48

Key exclusion criteria

1. Concurrent organic or definite psychotic illness (though patients suffering micropsychotic episodes only will not be excluded)

2. Referral to CAT services in past five years

3. Currently receiving another formal psychological treatment

4. Current admission to inpatient care (though subsequent admission during the course of the trial will not exclude patients from further follow-up)5. Current active substance abuse (including alcohol)

Date of first enrolment 01/07/1998

Date of final enrolment 01/07/1999

Locations

Countries of recruitment England

United Kingdom

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Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary Not provided at time of registration