Effectiveness of a breakthrough collaborative aimed at the implementation of depression guidelines in primary and secondary care

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Plain English summary of protocol

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Study information

Scientific Title

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Study objectives

Implementation of innovations in mental health care needs multifaceted strategies in order to improve care with better outcomes for patients. The hypothesis in this study is: teams of health care professionals participating in a Breakthrough Depression Project implement national guidelines to a higher degree with better outcomes for patients than a control group of health care professionals and their patients receiving care as usual.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Approval received from the local ethics board (METIGG-ZUID [South]) on the 18th April 2007 (ref: 6.115).

Study design

The design is a quasi-experimental trial, consisting of a systematic measurement of patient outcomes (depression symptoms and functional status) and care provided by practitioners (antidepressant prescription, monitoring) of the new Depression Collaborative

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Implementation, depression, guidelines

Interventions

The intervention group receives depression care according to guidelines, the control group receives care as usual.

Depression care according to guidelines concerns a series of effective interventions, in a specific order. According to this stepped care principle patients start at the lowest level of treatment from which an effect can be expected in order to step up to a more intense level of treatment, when the first step has not generated the expected effect within a number of weeks. The levels of treatment consist of one of more of the following interventions:

- 1. Information
- 2. Psycho-education
- 3. Individual or group self-help course
- 4. Running therapy
- 5. Problem solving treatment or brief psychotherapeutic interventions
- 6. Antidepressants
- 7. Psychotherapy (cognitive therapy, cognitive behavioural therapy, interpersonal psychotherapy)

Stepped care assumes that depression symptoms are being monitored. In the intervention group a Beck Depression Inventory will be administered every six weeks until the score is under ten.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)

Outcomes are on the professional, organisational and on the patient level.

- 1. The primary outcome measure of professional performance is:
- a. a reduction of antidepressants prescription for patients with non-severe depression (reduction of overtreatment)
- 2. The primary outcome measure of organisational performance is:
- a. a reduction of the waiting time to specialised depression treatment for patients with severe or long term depression (reduction of under-treatment)
- 3. The primary outcome measures on the patient level are:
- a. a reduction in depressive symptoms and an improvement in disability status (effectiveness)

Key secondary outcome(s))

Secondary measures are:

- 1. Professional performance: satisfaction with collaboration, patient education delivered
- 2. Organisational level: monitoring system in use
- 3. Patient level outcomes: care consumption, satisfaction with care

Completion date

01/03/2009

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Aged 18 to 65
- 2. Sufficient Dutch language skills

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

18 years

Sex

Not Specified

Total final enrolment

536

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Aged younger than 18 and older than 65
- 2. Insufficient Dutch langauage skills

Date of first enrolment

01/09/2006

Date of final enrolment

01/03/2009

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Netherlands

Study participating centre

Trimbos Institute

Utrecht Netherlands 3500 AS

Sponsor information

Organisation

Trimbos-institute - Netherlands Institute of Mental Health and Addiction (The Netherlands)

ROR

https://ror.org/02amggm23

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

Reserve Voormalige Vrijwillige Ziekenfondsen (RVVZ) (The Netherlands) - a governmental non profit health organisation

Funder Name

The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) (The Netherlands)

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

Not provided at time of registration

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Results article	results	15/06/2009	09/05/2019	Yes	No