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A Randomised Controlled Trial of service level agreements between GPs and secondary services for the care of the long term mentally ill.

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Recruitment status
No longer recruiting

Registration date
23/01/2004

Overall study status
Completed

Last Edited
03/12/2008

Condition category
Mental and Behavioural Disorders

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[ ] Protocol
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Plain English summary of protocol
Not provided at time of registration

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Type(s)
Scientific

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Protocol serial number
PSI A-88

Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives
Service level agreements (SLAs) are a means of improving communication and collaboration between primary and secondary care. They reflect local needs and resources and specify the services to be provided, including guidelines for communication, referral and shared care. This study will use a randomised controlled trial to examine the effect of locally negotiated SLAs on the health and quality of care of the long term mentally ill.

Ethics approval required
Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)
Not provided at time of registration

Primary study design
Interventional

Study design
Randomised controlled trial

Study type(s)
Not Specified

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied
Mental and behavioural disorders: Schizophrenia and other psychoses

Interventions
1. Locally negotiated service level agreements
2. Standard care

Intervention Type
Other

Phase
Not Specified

Primary outcome(s)
The principal outcome measures will include levels of disability, mental ill health, self care and quality of life. Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF), Health of the Nation Outcome Scale (HoNOS), Verona Satisfaction Scales (VECS and VSSS), GHQ for patient carers, Client Service Receipt Interview (CSRI) to assess cost, questionnaires to evaluate staff views on the clarity of roles and attitudes to the primary/secondary care interface.

Key secondary outcome(s)
Not provided at time of registration

Completion date
01/10/2000

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria
Practices: General practices with a majority of their patients within the Mental Health Trust boundaries, with a computerised repeat prescribing system.
Patients: Patients with long term mental illness based on the criteria of duration, diagnosis and disability. Patients with diagnoses of schizophrenia and related disorders and bipolar affective disorder will be included, in addition to those with chronic relapsing depression or on prophylactic antidepressants for more than six months. Those disabled by chronic neurotic disorders will also be included.

Participant type(s)
Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed
No

Age group
Not Specified

Sex
Not Specified

Key exclusion criteria
Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment
01/02/1997

Date of final enrolment
01/10/2000

Locations

Countries of recruitment
United Kingdom

England

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Sponsor information

Organisation
Record Provided by the NHS R&D 'Time-Limited' National Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type
Government

Funder Name
NHS Primary and Secondary Care Interface National Research and Development Programme (UK)

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	01/04/2004		Yes	No