

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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Plain English summary of protocol

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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

Study participating centre

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London

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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