

Psychological Advocacy Towards Healing (PATH): To determine if a psychological intervention delivered by domestic violence advocates is effective and cost-effective

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Registration date 26/07/2011	Overall study status Completed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protocol
Last Edited 28/11/2018	Condition category Mental and Behavioural Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/> Statistical analysis plan
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Results
		<input type="checkbox"/> Individual participant data

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

10429

Study information

Scientific Title

An individually randomised, parallel group controlled trial to determine if a psychological intervention delivered by domestic violence advocates is effective and cost-effective:
Psychological Advocacy Towards Healing (PATH)

Acronym

PATH

Study objectives

The Psychological Advocacy Towards Healing (PATH) Study is an individually randomised two-arm controlled trial of a psychological intervention delivered by domestic violence advocates to women entering specialist domestic violence and abuse (DVA) services in Bristol and Cardiff respectively. Participants in the intervention arm will receive weekly specialist psychological advocacy sessions for 8 weeks and 2 reinforcement sessions over the subsequent 3 months. They will be followed up with questionnaires measuring violence, quality of life and mental health measures up to one year after recruitment.

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

South West 4 approved on 08/03/2011 ref: REC 10/H0102/86

Primary study design

Interventional

Study design

Randomised; Interventional; Design type: Treatment

Study type(s)

Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Topic: Primary Care Research Network for England; Subtopic: Not Assigned; Disease: Mental Health

Interventions

Control Intervention: Routine care from domestic violence agency

Experimental Intervention: Routine care from domestic violence agency plus additional psychological support (8 one-to-one session with specialist psychological advocate plus two 'booster' sessions).

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)

Clinical Outcomes in Routine Evaluation - Outcome Measure (CORE-OM); Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 Months

Key secondary outcome(s)

1. Composite Abuse Scale (CAS); Timepoint(s): 4, 8, & 12 Months
2. EuroQoL EQ5D; Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 Months
3. Generalised Anxiety Disorder (GAD-7); Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 months
4. Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ9); Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 Months
5. Post-traumatic diagnostic scale (PDS); Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 Months
6. Short form 12 (SF12); Timepoint(s): 4, 8 & 12 Months

Completion date

28/09/2012

Eligibility**Key inclusion criteria**

Female, aged 16 years or older. Target Gender: Female ; Lower Age Limit 16 years

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

No

Age group

Adult

Sex

Female

Key exclusion criteria

1. Psychotic illness
2. Unable to read English
3. Severe current drug or alcohol abuse
4. Currently attending counselling, cognitive behaviour therapy (CBT) or other psychological treatments either in primary care or specialist psychiatric services

Date of first enrolment

28/03/2011

Date of final enrolment

28/09/2012

Locations**Countries of recruitment**

United Kingdom

England

Study participating centre
Academic Unit of Primary Health Care
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Sponsor information

Organisation
University of Bristol (uk)

ROR
<https://ror.org/0524sp257>

Funder(s)

Funder type
Government

Funder Name
National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) (UK) - Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) programme (Grant Codes: RP-PG-0108-10084)

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	27/11/2018		Yes	No
Protocol article	protocol	17/07/2013		Yes	No
Study website	Study website	11/11/2025	11/11/2025	No	Yes

