Improving the evidence base for adult social care practice

Workshop on Ethics & Governance and Social Care Research

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Welcome
School for Social Care Research

Organisations
NIHR School for Social Care Research
Social Care Institute for Excellence
Social Care Research Ethics Committee
Social Services Research Group

Speakers
Prof David Stanley, Chair, SCREC
Barbara Cuddon, Coordinator, SCREC
Dr Deborah Rutter, Research Analyst, SCIE
Dr Mike Dunn, Ethox & SCREC
Dr John Woolham, Coventry University
Kezia Scales, University of Nottingham
Soazig Clifton, NatCen
SSCR established by NIHR, May 2009

School for Social Care Research

Mission: to develop the evidence base for adult social care practice in England by commissioning and conducting world-class research

- LSE, KCL, Universities of Kent, Manchester, York
- £15 million funding over 5 years
- Both ‘internal’ and ‘external’ commissioned research

Goals:
- Conduct and commission high-quality research
- Focus for social care research within NIHR
- Develop methods
- Consult widely on research priorities
- Help to build social care research capacity & awareness
- Support knowledge transfer and impact
Structure of SSCR

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And Fellows . . . .

All external experts to advise on SSCR activities and undertake research.

Advisory Board chaired by David Behan (DH)

User, Carer, Practitioner Reference Group
Currently in SSCR ...

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- Over 40 commissioned projects so far
- Over 140 Fellows of the School

Methods & scoping reviews being written – promoting understanding

Programme of seminars & events e.g. Impact, ethics, carers, longitudinal studies
# Methods & Scoping reviews commissioned by SSCR

- Chance-based designs
- Qualitative methods overview
- User-led research
- Research in care homes
- Observational methods (focus on LD)
- LGBT sexualities in social care research
- Outcome measurement overview
- Research governance and ethics
- Modelling
- Cost-effectiveness
- Systematic reviews
- Large-scale datasets
- Research with BME populations
- End-of-life care research methods
- Research methods and visual impairment
- Research methods and hearing impairment
- MRC framework for evaluation of complex interventions
- Employment supports
- Prevention and social care for adults with learning disabilities
- Mental health and social care
- Third sector
- Third sector
- Value of community building
- Employment supports