

A NOVEL WAY OF SUPPORTING RESEARCH IN AN ARC MEMBER ORGANISATION'



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OVERVIEW

- Introduction to two SPFT ARC KSS studies (DISCOVERY AND RMAS)
- Delivery of ARC studies centred around communities
- ARC study delivery impact and outcomes



DisCOVery & R-MAS

DisCOVery

**Recovery alongside social isolation:
Research into the mental health impacts of
COVID-19 for young people**

**We would like to find out more about
The mental and social wellbeing of people
in rural and coastal communities and
people accessing health, community or
social support services.**



R-MAS

**The 'Remote' memory clinic:
responding to the clinical need in
times of COVID-19 restrictions - a
study of patient satisfaction and
impact on clinical outcomes
related to dementia diagnosis**



R-MAS OVERVIEW

- A pragmatic study of patient, carer and clinician experience and satisfaction with 'remote' memory assessment following the introduction of COVID-19 restrictions in 2020 (questionnaire and interview based)

- **Funded by NIHR KSS ARC COVID-19 Rapid Response grant**

- 3 sites: Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SPT), Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SABT) and South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (SLaM)

R-MAS

Patient experience of remote MAS

- Patients who had remote assessment, any diagnosis
- Telephone/video satisfaction questionnaire
- Invite at diagnostic consultation (remote)

R-MAS study Team

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DisCOVery Overview



- What are the social and psychological impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on young people, particularly for those high-risk and hard to reach populations in deprived rural and coastal communities?
- What are the characteristics of the most vulnerable and people at highest risk to negative psychological and social impacts of the evolving COVID-19 pandemic?
- This study aims to facilitate individual and community recovery from the wide social and economic consequences of the pandemic by **a)** examining key factors relating to young people's risk and resilience in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated social restrictions, and **b)** develop a local situational analysis to understand the needs and priorities of those identified as the most vulnerable, particularly across areas of socioeconomic deprivation in rural and coastal deprived communities.

Study delivered at:

SPFT

Norfolk and Suffolk NHS
Foundation Trust

SABP

KMPT

RESEARCH AROUND THE COMMUNITY - DisCOVery

Inclusion Criteria:

16-25 year olds

**+ participants
(up to the age
of 35) who had
previously
been involved
in Dr. David
Fowler's study
PRODIGY**

- Specific focus on areas of socioeconomic deprivation, including deprived rural and coastal communities
- Young people with current involvement within clinical, well-being, social care and voluntary sector services across Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Norfolk.
- Young people who may be struggling with their mental well-being and who may not be engaging with a service (such as mental health services), who may be socially isolated, hard-to-reach and/or living in deprived rural and coastal communities across Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Norfolk.



RESEARCH AROUND THE COMMUNITY – DisCOVery

- The qualitative interview schedule for the study was designed in consultation with members of the Sussex Partnership NHS Trust youth PPI café (young people (16-25 years old) with lived experience who have an interest in research).
- In response to feedback from the youth PPI cafe, the overall outline of the interview schedule was re-structured and some of the questions were re-worded. As per the suggestion of the PPI cafe, potential participants will be offered the opportunity to see the key interview questions before meeting with a member of the research team to take part in the interview.
- Youth PPI Café made recommendations on recruitment strategies (e.g. service users may not follow social media accounts of the services they're accessing. Instead, make every effort to link in with wider non-clinical services)



DisCOVery- Recruitment

Sussex Partnership – 90+ participants

Kent and Medway – 19 participants (*)

Surrey and Borders – 8 participants

Norfolk and Suffolk – 10 participants

Recruitment in focus for DisCOVery:

- Everyone Counts – SPFT opt-out register (Trustworthy source, actual direct contact)
- SPFT Clinical Teams (ATS teams, Early Intervention services)
- GP PIC Site (In area of higher social deprivation)
- Third Sector services – iRock (Hastings), Find it Out+ (Worthing) + 80 others
- Social Care



ARC + TRUST COLLABORATION THROUGH DESIGN, SET-UP, DELIVERY AND DISSEMINATION



Sussex Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

Design and Set-up

Chief Investigators at Uni of Sussex and SPFT (**ARC, Uni + SPFT**)

Post-Doc and PhD students at University - Youth Mapping Project (**ARC, Uni + SPFT**)

Research & Development Improvement Manager (**ARC, Uni + SPFT**)

Youth PPI Café (**SPFT**)

LEAP Panels (**SPFT**)

Delivery

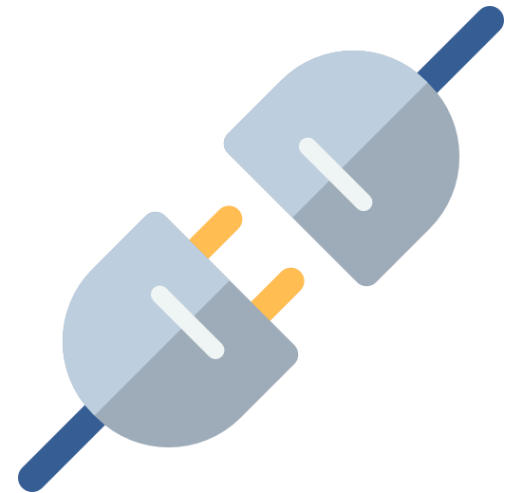
Clinical Research Coordinators + Research Assistants + ARC researchers (**SPFT + ARC**)

Youth PPI Café (**SPFT**)

Support with linking in with our KSS partners in Kent and Surrey (**ARC + CRN**)

Dissemination and Implementation

Senior Researchers + Implementation leads (**Uni, ARC + SPFT**)



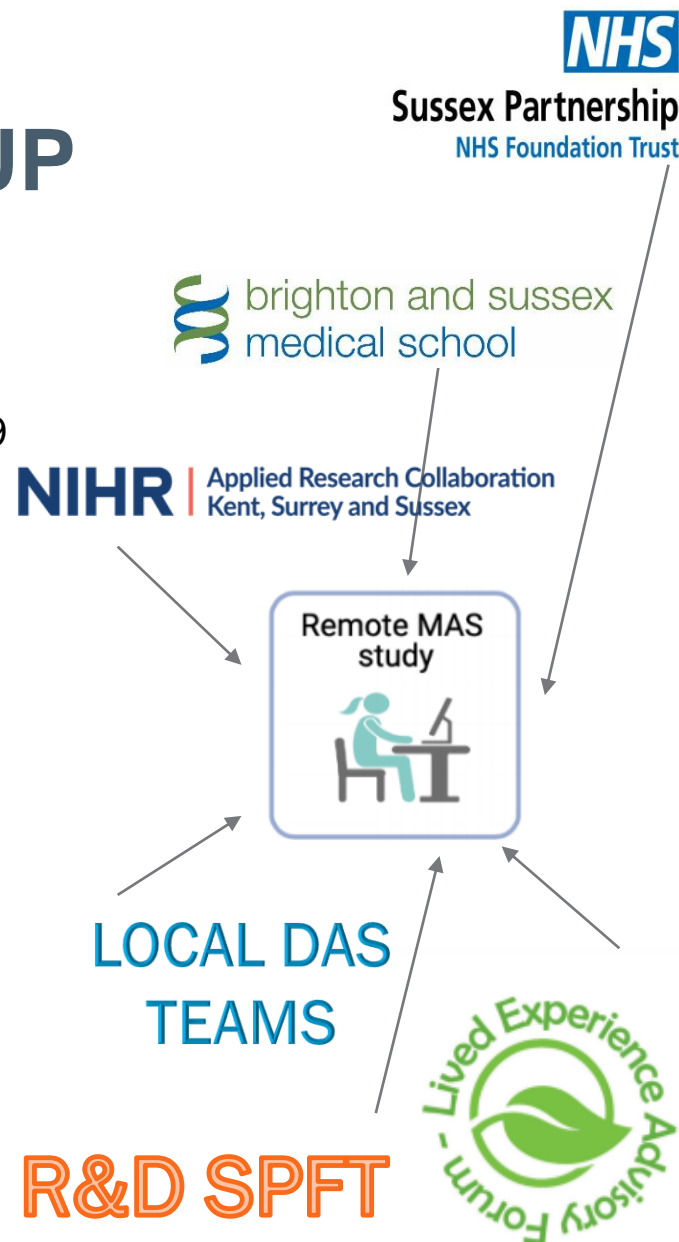
RESEARCH AROUND THE COMMUNITY – RMAS SET UP

Study was set up to evaluate patient experiences of remote Memory Assessment Services (MAS). Local MAS teams set up remote pathways to continue the service safely during Covid-19 (and respond to decreasing diagnosis rates)

Study was created collaboratively with:

- ARC Implementation Lead- Living well with Dementia (Kathy Sykes)
- Local service clinical colleagues (Nurses, Practitioners, Psychiatrists) SPFT and SABP
- R&D department at SPFT
- BSMS Centre of Dementia Studies Academics
- LEAF Group

Accelerated Covid-19 REC review allowed a quick set up

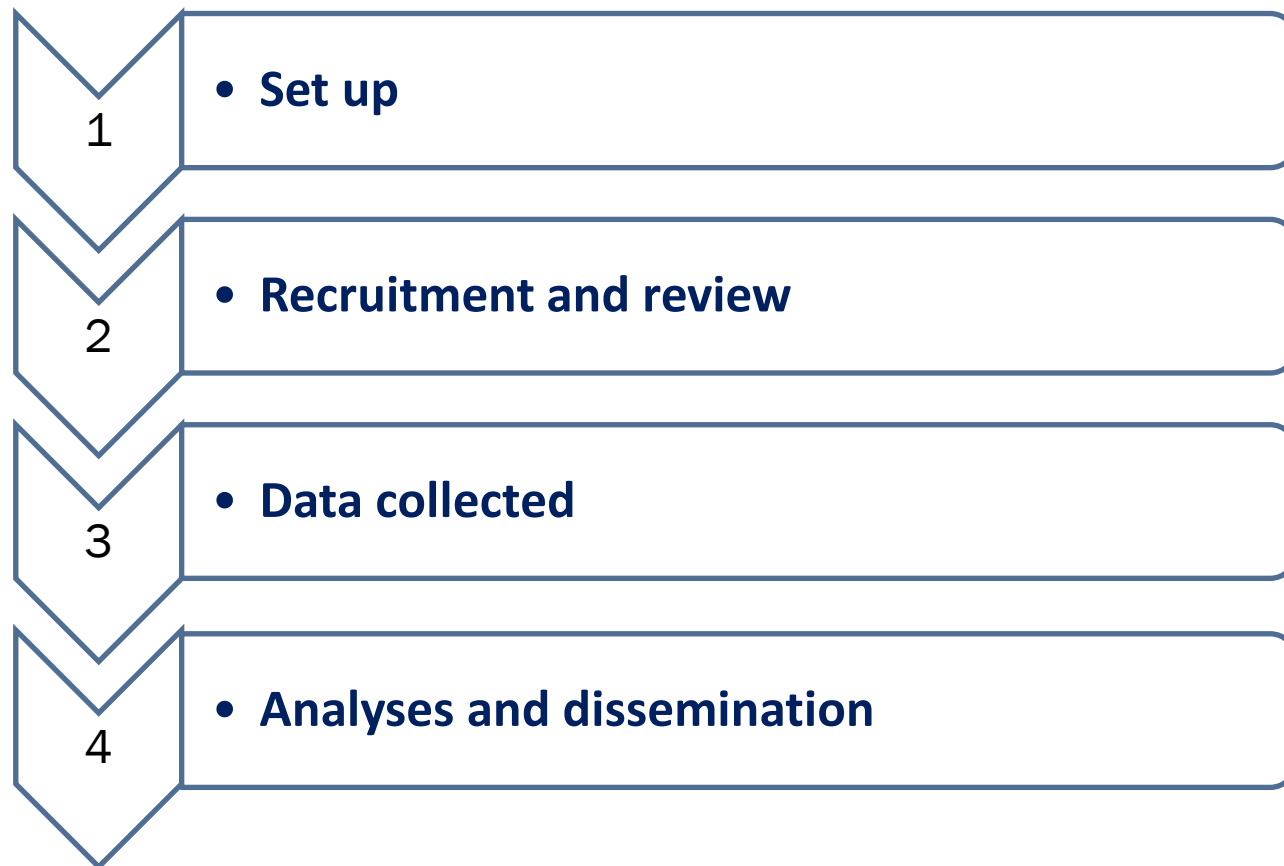


RESEARCH AROUND THE COMMUNITY – RMAS DATA COLLECTION

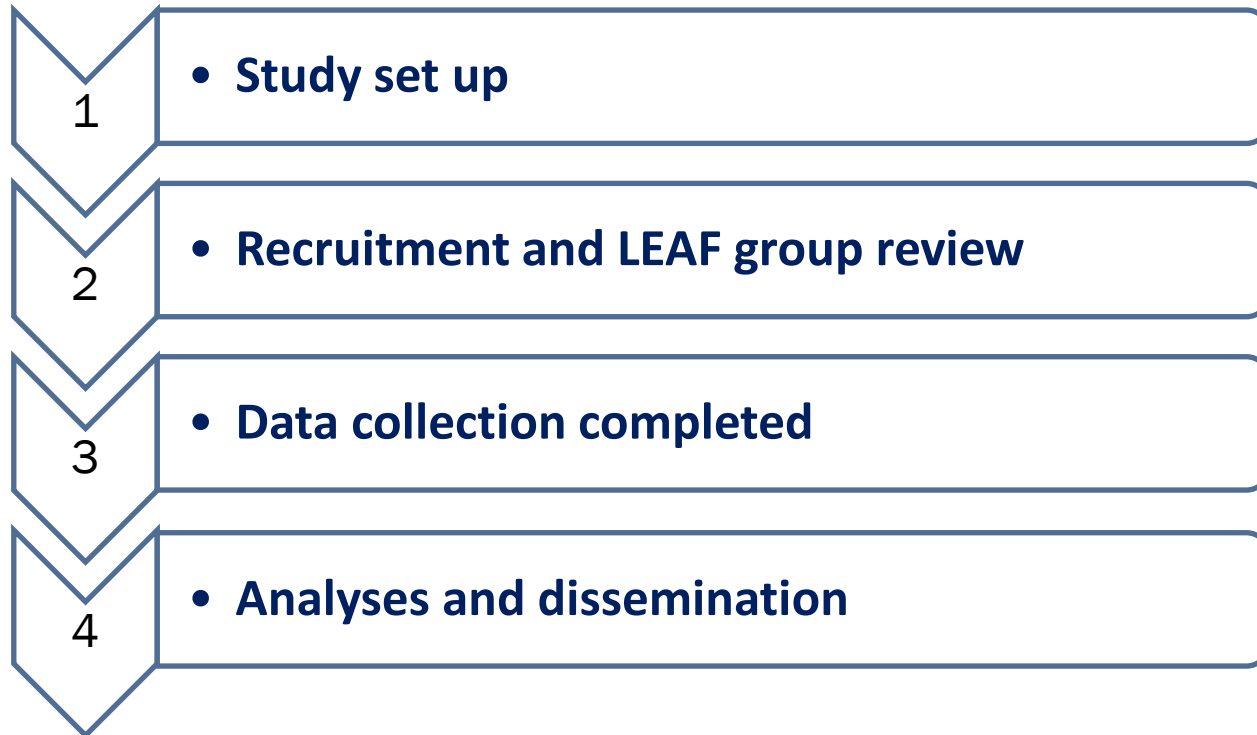
- Close study team and clinical team relationship for referrals (regular contact, invited to team meetings, researcher shadowing remote MAS)
- The LEAF group have supported throughout:
 - Researcher understanding of MAS services
 - Review of study documents
 - Review of Interview guide and interim results
 - Supported the set up of Clinician Interviews
- Research Team with ARC introduced a study extension to investigate clinician perspectives of delivering Remote – MAS



DISCOVERY RESEARCH PATHWAY SO FAR



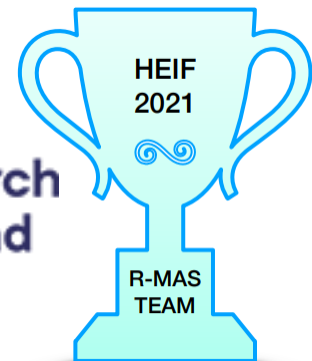
RMAS RESEARCH PATHWAY SO FAR



Good Practice evidence from interviews will be used to help shape guidance for remote MAS. The Team (including ARC staff) have won a Higher Education Innovation Fund (UKRI) grant to develop a toolkit and an animated film for a patient guidance for a remote memory assessment pathway in other services across the country



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NEXT STEPS + FUTURE PROJECTS



- Analysis
- Implementation
- Service impact and transformation

Clinics at SPFT

OCD
Eating Disorder
Voices
Immunopsychiatry

Clinics Opening Soon at SPFT

PTSD
Neurobehavioural
Slow Mo
Schools Liaison CHYPS

- **At SPFT, we are adept at supporting set-up, delivery and analysis, however, dissemination and implementation in our clinical services has historically been an area where we've struggled with our reach and impact. Our Clinics have allowed us to bridge part of this gap. These clinics are also a vital resource in the set-up and delivery of research studies.**

R-MAS support Team - THANK YOU!

Dementia Consultation Group,
facilitated by Julia Fountain



DRU and the lead
Natalie Portwine



NWSx DAS Team - SPT
OPMH team - SABP
Lewisham Memory Clinic &
SLiMS - SLAM



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Thank you!

Any Questions?



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