

Knowledge and Library Services Case Study

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust Library and Knowledge Services: Trauma, substance misuse and offending book chapter

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Reason for enquiry

A book was being published entitled "Trauma-informed forensic practice" (published 2022: [Trauma-informed forensic practice / by Phil Willmot and Lawrence Jones \(2022\)](#)) and a literature search was requested to support the writing of the chapter on "Trauma, substance misuse, and offending". A Trainee Clinical Psychologist approached the library to ask for the most up-to-date evidence.

What the knowledge and library specialist did

A comprehensive and contemporary search of the psychological literature was conducted in eight databases and supplementary websites looking for literature on the links between psychological trauma, substance misuse, and offending in the last 10 years.

The contribution was acknowledged at the end of the chapter: "Thanks to Naomi Thorpe, Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, Library and Knowledge Services for additional evidence searches."

Impact of input from the library and knowledge service

Immediate Impact

The chapter (and book as a whole) is on a pertinent topic in the Forensic Services. The search helped to narrow down the Trainee Clinical Psychologists efforts, by finding the most relevant literature for inclusion in the chapter. It saved him time, allowing him to spend more time with patients.

Probable future Impact

The chapter and literature found from the search will inform the development of a trauma-informed substance-misuse treatment programme, as well as informing other services worldwide. It gives the potential for more relevant, empirically driven, and integrated substance misuse treatment.

Submission by:

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For further information on how you can get similar support contact your local NHS library and knowledge service.

Submission Details

[To be completed by Knowledge and Library Service at the point of submission]

Name of Organisation

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

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Title of Case Study

Trauma, substance misuse and offending book chapter

NHS Region *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

East of England

London

Midlands

North East and Yorkshire

North West

South East

South West

Sector *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

Acute

Acute and community

Care Trust

Clinical Commissioning Group

Commissioning Support

Community Trust

Cross-sector

Local Education and Training Board

Mental Health

Mental Health / Learning Disability

Mental Health / Social Care

Primary Care

Public Health

Shared Service / Informatics

Special HA

Other. If other, please specify

Group Impacted *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

Additional Clinical Services

Administrative and Clerical

Allied Health Professionals

Estates and Ancillary

Healthcare Scientists

Medicine and Dental

Multiprofessional

Patients, Carers and the Public

Nursing and Midwifery

Scientific and Technical

Students

Impact Types *[Make bold any of the impact types below which apply]*

Contributed to personal or professional development

Contributed to service development or delivery

Facilitated collaborative working

Health Information for Patients, Carers and the Public

Improved the quality of patient care

Mobilising evidence and organisational knowledge

More informed decision making

Productivity and efficiency

Reduced risk or improved safety

Saved money or contributed to financial effectiveness

Improved health and wellbeing of staff and learners

Consent

I have consent from individuals referred to in this case study to share details nationally for advocacy and promotion. *[Make bold the option which applies:]*

Yes

No