



# MICE Transforming the Mental Health of Children with Epilepsy

**Booster Training Session** 

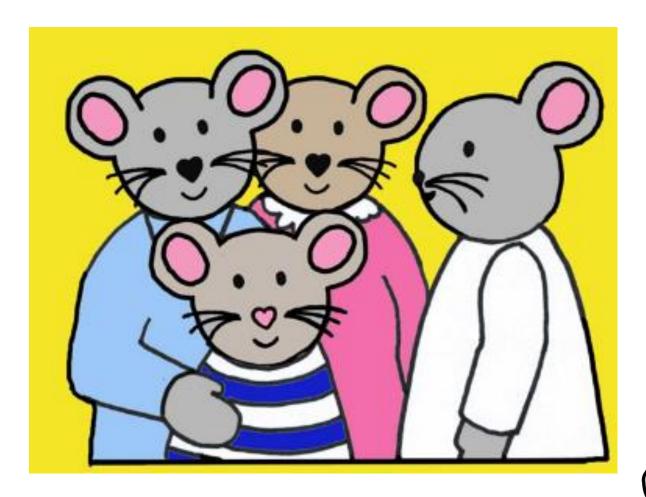








#### **Welcome Back**









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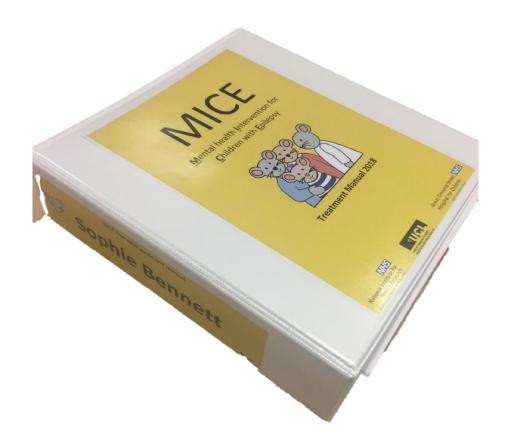
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# **Update on progress: Success Stories Study**

https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/resources/case-investing-children-young-peoples-epilepsy-services









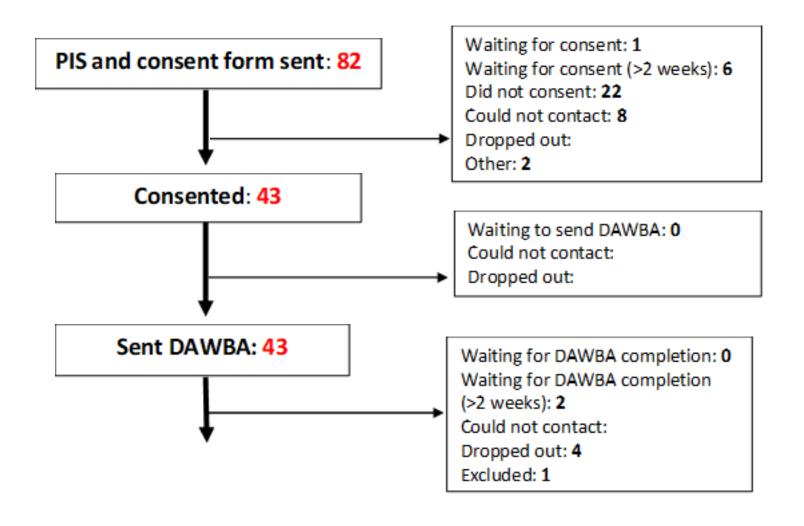
#### **Work Package 2: Aims**

- Train at least 12 therapists and their clinical supervisors across sites to deliver MATCH
- Use MATCH portfolio system to ensure therapist competence and adherence
- Therapist and patient perspectives on the intervention assessed using qualitative interviews



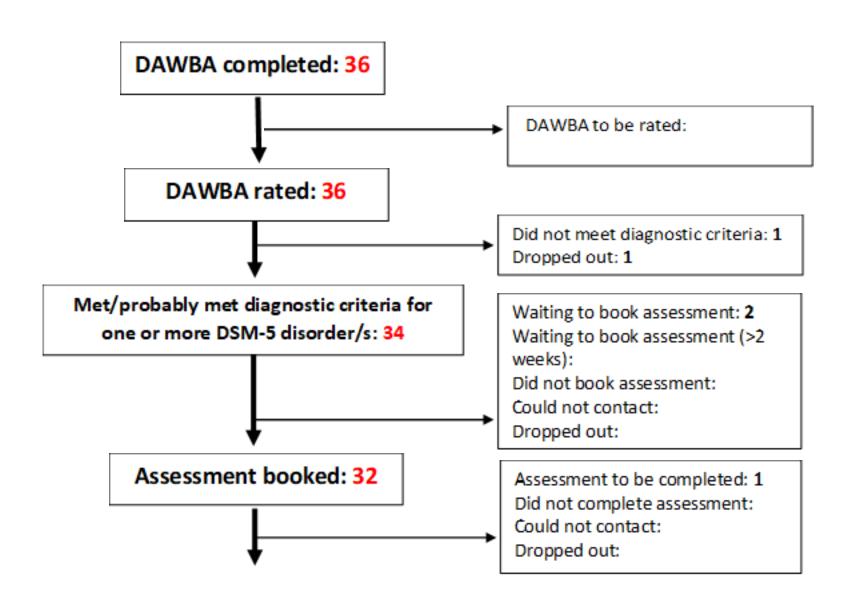


#### Recruitment

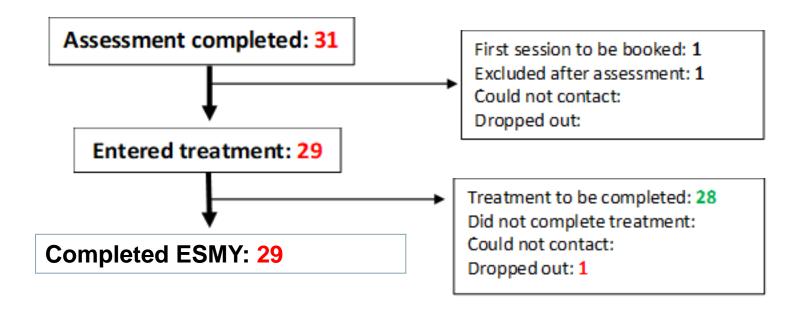












https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lb\_QYj\_FhFo



I like the practical element, we had therapy before and although it was useful [information], was not practical advice Very, very pleased with the therapists and their flexibility, have been very accommodating to family's needs.

Would really hope that the treatment is accessible for other families locally and nationally

I like the fact I will become more aware of how epilepsy and mental health are linked

We're enjoying treatment

– particularly the
structure e.g. having an
agenda and summary
each session

I have found it really useful in the sense that it has made me think a little bit more about how to interact with x and how other people are interacting with him





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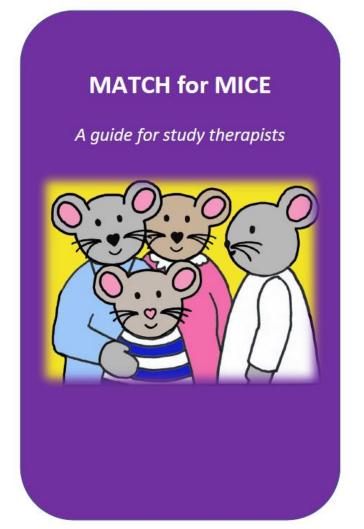
# Reminder: user guide This is a key resource!

#### It will answer your questions on:

- Delivery via the telephone
- Completing weekly measures
- The structure of sessions
- Patient homework

...And lots more!

You can find it at the front of your manual and on the online platform









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# Keeping up momentum

- Importance of regular weekly sessions to maintain momentum
- Planning calls
- Arranging cover if away or ill (including asking your site liaison officer)
- If all else fails, reschedule rather than cancel
- Timetable re: letters and support available
- P.S. Remember pre/post amble into recorder







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#### Q&A

- Delivering anxiety sessions when only the parent is on the call
- How to set goals in each individual case









# Top tips from therapists

If you are doing the Active Ignoring (behaviour) module, it is helpful to give parents lots of reassurance around any concerns that they have around their child's safety – i.e. what behaviours should/should not be ignored.

If you are doing the Effective Instructions (behaviour) module, it may be more effective to introduce the 'Follow-through training' activity at the start of the session. Once the parents have understood this, they can then build up to giving Effective Instructions to their child more broadly.





#### Top tips from therapists

Parents have a huge amount of anxiety themselves. I find it important to spend lots of time on the 'Understanding Anxiety' handout to give them some understanding of how their own anxiety might be feeding into their child's anxiety.

If you are doing the learning about anxiety module with the parent, it is helpful to ask the parent about their own feelings, sensations etc.





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# **Session by Session Measures**

#### What?

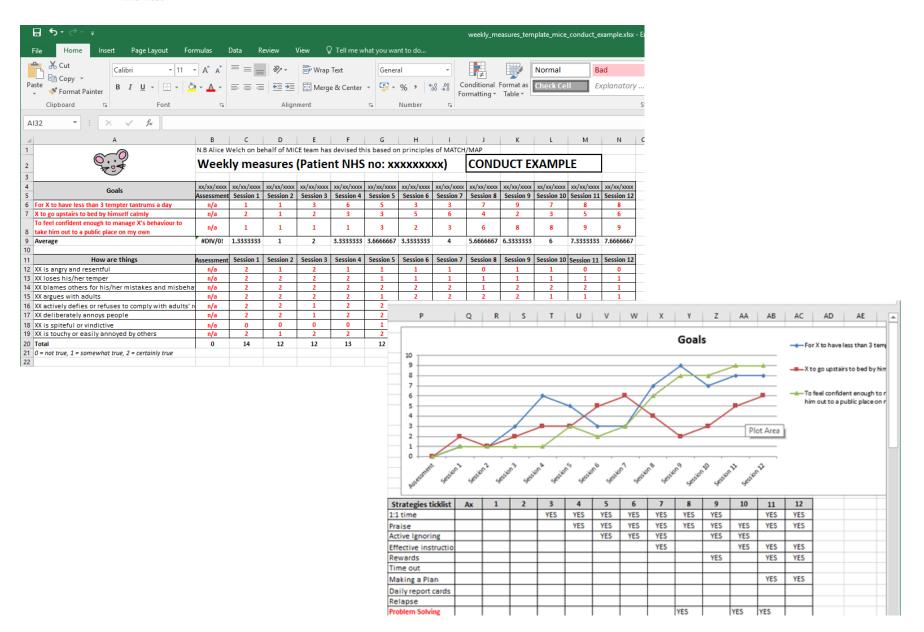
- The Weekly Questionnaires that parents/families fill in and send back to their therapist.
- These are goal-based measures and our primary focus in terms of the research study.

#### Why?

- Research has shown that treatment outcomes are better when measures are used each session
- They are important to help monitor progress of treatment and identify areas to work on and decisions
- They can be used therapeutically to guide the session discussion.
- Critical for assessment of competence









# **How** to complete the spreadsheet

You can ensure your spreadsheet it up-to-date by:

 Completing the personalised spreadsheet that you/SLO created post assessment (i.e. insert patient specific goals) after each call.

#### OR

• 2. Forwarding the Weekly Questionnaires you receive from patients (every week) to your Site Liaison Officer who will update the spreadsheet for you.





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#### **Introduction to WP3**



#### Leading article

Assessing feasibility of routine identification tools for mental health disorder in neurology clinics

assessment or intervention for mental health difficulties in neurology services. In line with the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) guidance on feasibility studies, <sup>21</sup> the specific objectives were to determine the:

▶ Numbers of families who consent to







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#### **Consultation & support**









# **Consultation going forward**

- Move towards a "consultation on demand" model
- Consultation session after assessment to agree goals and treatment pathway
- Minimum one fixed session per month
- Additional consultation sessions triggered if:
  - Requested by therapist
  - No change/decline in weekly session measures over two sessions
  - Concerns raised in regular tape reviews
- Evaluation Form





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# **Summary**





#### **Consultation evaluation form**





# **Therapist interviews**









