

# **CORE: Public Involvement**

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## CORE Public Involvement

PPI is embedded throughout the CORE Study

- Service user and carer working groups (20 members in all; 3-4 meetings a year)
- Public Involvement Coordinator (David Hindle)
- Additional consultation with MH staff and CRT developers

## CORE: service user and carer involvement

- Development of topic guides and information sheets
- Peer researchers conducted 37/42 interviews with service users and 20/20 carer interviews + focus groups
- Intervention development (Peer-support trial intervention; fidelity scale; resource kit)
- Qualitative data analysis (coding frame development)
- 140/140 CRT fidelity reviews included a service user or carer-researcher

# Reflections on CORE PPI

A 5-year programme grant allows:

- Recruitment of new peer-researchers
- Fuller involvement in developing research plans
- Training and skills development during the study

Service user and carer involvement on CORE has resulted in:

- Input from multiple service user and carer voices
- Changes to research plans
- Added credibility (eg to peer support training and CRT fidelity reviews)
- More than advice: valuable help in getting work done

## Evaluating PPI on CORE

- Dr Sue Patterson (Griffith University, Queensland) is conducting an independent evaluation on PPI on CORE
- 16 qualitative interviews (12 working group members)
- Will contribute to a comparative study of models of PPI in health services research