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ASCOT Developments

Ann-Marie Towers

ASCOT and Seldom Heard Groups,
webinar, 18th May 2015.



Since the March 2014 Workshop

- More registered ASCOT users (1349)
- Two 1-day courses
- 1 CH3 course and another coming up (June 8th/9th)
- Invitations to talk about ASCOT at international conferences/seminars in the UK, Finland and Australia.
- Requests for bespoke training from local authorities (England and Wales) and with provider organisations.

ASCOT team updates

- Training
 - Demand at the ‘organisational’ level
 - Desire to move towards ‘train the trainers’
- Workshops – a move to webinars?
- Working hard to find better ways of measuring the outcomes of hard to reach groups (James and Nick up next)
- Developing new toolkits...

New ASCOT Toolkits

- INT4-Carerer and SCT4-Carerer
 - Developed as part of the IIASC study
 - Measures the outcomes of carers
 - Can be used alongside other ASCOT measures
 - Available on website very soon!
- CH4-HL
 - Measures outcomes at the care home level
 - Could be used in quality monitoring and improvement
 - New NIHR SSCR study to pilot and validate measure in East Sussex
- Register for the next webinar (15th June) for more!

ASCOT Team at the PSSRU

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(care homes lead, trainer, dementia)



Juliette Malley
(strategic lead and surveys)



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(training lead, care homes, dementia)



Kamilla Razik
(support and translations)



Stacey Rand
(carers, proxy, INT4)



James Caiels
(easy read, proxy)



Ann Netten
(international developments)



Ed Ludlow
(technical lead)



Other uses of ASCOT

- Used by the Older People's Commission for Wales:
http://www.olderpeoplewales.com/en/reviews/residential_care_review.aspx
- Recommended by SCIE as a tool to measure risks and outcomes.
<http://www.scie.org.uk/publications/reports/report57.pdf>
- Positive Futures evaluation of “The Life I Want” strategy
<https://thelifeiwantblog.wordpress.com/2014/12/02/evaluating-the-life-i-want-strategy-the-adult-social-care-outcomes-tool-could-you-benefit-from-it/>

International developments

- International network and committee
- Support for translations and applications
- Translations undertaken or underway:
 - Finnish, German, Italian, Danish, Dutch, Japanese and Thai.
 - Enquiries from Spain and China.
- Concept elaboration documents and guidance for translations available soon

International projects

- Community Care Outcomes project
 - Macquarie University and University of Wollongong
 - Grant to develop measures to understand outcomes in community aged care services
 - Professor Ann Netten involved
- Exploring Comparative Effectiveness & efficiency in Long-term care (EXCEL)
 - Funded by NORFACE
 - Finland, Austria and England
 - Including preference studies
- Measuring & valuing quality of life in older adults
 - Funded by the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
 - Dutch preference weights (and philosophical adaptation)
 - Making links with EXCEL

Thank you for listening!

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