



# ASCOT Developments

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# Since the March 2014 Workshop

- More registered ASCOT users (1349)
- Two 1-day courses
- 1 CH3 course and another coming up (June 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>)
- 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 (15<sup>th</sup> June) for more!

# ASCOT Team at the PSSRU

**Ann-Marie Towers**  
(care homes lead, trainer, dementia)



**Juliette Malley**  
(strategic lead and surveys)



**Nick Smith**  
(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](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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