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#### **Abstract**

# **Purpose**

We evaluated the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of a peer-led self-management intervention for people with severe mental disorders.

# Design/methodology/approach

This is a one-arm longitudinal study without control group. 262 adults with (self-reported) severe mental disorders, who have used secondary mental health services and were living in the community, were evaluated at three time-points (baseline, 6 months, 12 months). Socio-demographic data were collected at baseline. Wellbeing (Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale), functional living skills (Health Promoting Lifestyle Profile II) and service use (Client Service Receipt Inventory) data were assessed over time.

# **Findings**

Self-management for people with severe mental disorders improved well-being and health-promoting lifestyles. After an increase in the short term, costs appeared to decrease in the longer term, although this change was not statistically significant. Due to the lack of a control group, we are unable to attribute those changes to the intervention only. Nevertheless, the self-management intervention appears to warrant further attention on both wellbeing and economic grounds.

# Originality/value

Self-management may facilitate recovery, helping to support people with severe mental disorders at no additional cost. Given recent emphasis on recovery, peer workers and self-management, this peer-led self-management approach for people with severe mental disorders appears to have potential.

#### Introduction

People with severe mental disorders can experience partial or full recovery, interpreted not only (or even necessarily) as symptom remission but with improvement in personal or social outcomes, such as participation in employment or education, independent living, reduced dependency on welfare support, and peer relationships (Liberman *et al.*, 2002; Slade, 2009). In Sweden, recovery of people with schizophrenia has been shown to be associated with improvement in health and social care outcomes (Helldin *et al.*, 2007) and a reduction in annual health and social care costs (Hjortsberg *et al.*, 2011).

Self-management programmes aim to facilitate recovery, improving an 'individual's ability to manage symptoms, treatment, physical and psychosocial consequences and lifestyle changes inherent with living with a chronic condition. Efficacious selfmanagement encompasses the ability to monitor one's condition and to affect the cognitive, behavioural and emotional responses necessary to maintain a satisfactory quality of life' (Barlow et al., 2002). Self-management programmes for people with mental disorders in recovery may include elements such as management of medications, symptom management, psychoeducation, relapse prevention, setting individual recovery goals, and development of life skills (National Collaborating Centre for Mental Health, 2014). A recent review of 25 randomised-controlled trials of self-management for people with schizophrenia suggested a positive impact on symptoms, quality of life and functioning in people with schizophrenia, but inconclusive evidence on the impact on hospitalisation and service use (National Collaborating Centre for Mental Health, 2014). A meta-analysis of self-management interventions for people with schizophrenia found 13 studies showing significant improvement in symptoms and adherence to medication, with a reduction in relapse of 46% and in readmissions of 45% (Zou et al., 2013). An earlier review highlighted the clinical benefit of self-management for people with bipolar disorders (Jones et al., 2011).

Firstly initiated in the US during the 1970s for people with physical chronic conditions (Lorig et al., 1985), self-management programmes have been shown to be associated with better patient outcomes and potential reduction in costs, as in the Chronic Disease Self-Management Course in the US (Lorig et al., 1993) and the Expert Patient Programme in the UK (Kennedy et al., 2007; Richardson et al., 2008). Over the last two decades, self-management interventions for people with mental disorders have been developed in many countries. In the US, Wellness Recovery Action Planning, a peer-led self-management programme for people with severe mental disorders, has demonstrated significant improvement in self-management attitudes, skills and behaviours (Cook et al., 2010). The Life Goals Program, group psychoeducation to improve self-management skills in Veterans with bipolar disorders, was found to significantly reduce affective episodes and increase social functioning and mental health quality of life over 3 years, and was cost-neutral, with an increase of outpatient costs offset by a decrease in inpatient costs (Bauer et al., 2006). In Australia, the Flinders model, a peer-led self-management programme for people with severe mental disorders, significantly improved self-management knowledge and skills, mental health and social participation over 6 months with a significant reduction in readmission over 12 months (Lawn et al., 2007). In Spain, the Barcelona Bipolar Disorders Program, a group psychoeducation programme to improve self-management in people with bipolar disorders, led to a significant

reduction in relapses, readmissions and length of hospitalisation over both two and five years (Colom *et al.*, 2003; Colom *et al.*, 2009). In the UK, Bipolar UK provides a self-management programme for people with bipolar disorders (Bipolar UK, 2014).

The Mental Health Foundation (MHF) developed a peer-led self-management intervention for people using secondary mental health services in 2009, which was followed by a pilot evaluation in Wales between 2010-12 (Crepaz-Keay and Cyhlarova, 2012). The aim of the study reported here was to evaluate the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of the MHF intervention.

#### Methods

We conducted an economic evaluation of a one-arm longitudinal study, with data collected at three time-points (baseline, 6 months, 12 months) between November 2010 and January 2012. More details are provided elsewhere (Crepaz-Keay and Cyhlarova, 2012; Cyhlarova *et al.*, 2014). This is a cost-effectiveness analysis without control.

# **Participants**

Participants were 262 adults with (self-reported) severe mental disorders who had used secondary mental health services and were living in the community. They were recruited through posters displayed in local community and public settings, and postcards and leaflets distributed through voluntary sector networks. While the diagnosis of severe mental disorder was self-reported only, the referral to specialist mental health services implies that mental health professionals would have judged participants' mental illness sufficiently severe for requiring specialist support.

#### Intervention

The self-management intervention consists of a two-day workshop, followed by six half-day follow-up workshops over three months, and six on-going peer-group meetings over six months. The intervention aimed to teach goal-setting and problem-solving techniques, to empower people, and to facilitate meeting with others and sharing of experiences. It was delivered in community locations within the community to groups of up to 15 participants (mean of 11 participants).

Topics covered by the intervention could vary: relaxation, complementary therapies, communication skills, getting the best from appointments with professionals, lifestyle and health, support networks, medication and alternatives, becoming a self-supporting peer group, getting back into employment/voluntary work/education, evaluating information and approaches. Groups were led by two peer-support workers, trained and supervised, who had themselves used secondary mental health services and who had previously been course participants. If requested, travel and replacement childcare expenses were reimbursed.

The intervention was developed by the MHF in 2009 and has been described in more detail elsewhere (Crepaz-Keay and Cyhlarova, 2012). The intervention was delivered by the MHF and Bipolar UK (Bipolar UK, 2014).

# **Outcomes**

At the baseline, demographic data were collected using a questionnaire designed by the MHF. Wellbeing and functional living skills were assessed three times (baseline, 6

and 12 months) using questionnaires completed by participants alone or with the help of family, carers, or people from the MHF.

Wellbeing was assessed using the Warwick-Edinburgh Mental Wellbeing Scale (WEMWBS) (Tennant *et al.*, 2007). This is a 14-item scale answered using a 5-point Likert scale. The minimum score is 14 and the maximum is 70, with higher scores corresponding to higher mental well-being.

Functional living skills were assessed using the Health Promoting Lifestyle Profile II (HPLP II), a self-completed measure of health-promoting behaviours (Walker *et al.*, 1987; Walker and Hill-Polerecky, 1996). An adapted version was employed, with some items reworded for the UK context, combined or omitted. The adapted version is a 42-item scale answered using a 4-point Likert scale, composed of six subscales (general health, exercise, food, social life, dealing with health professionals, finding meaning). The minimum score is 1 and the maximum is 4, with higher scores corresponding to higher health-promoting behaviours.

#### Costs

Information on resource use was collected using an adapted version of the Client Service Receipt Inventory (CSRI), in a self-complete format (Beecham and Knapp, 2001). The questionnaire collected information on health and social care services (inpatient, outpatient, day activity, community care), criminal justice services (contacts with the police, prison, criminal and civil court) and productivity-related indicators (working days, absenteeism) retrospectively over the previous three months.

Costs were measured at 2011/12 prices. Unit costs for health and social care services were sourced from the PSSRU *Unit Costs of Health & Social Care 2012* (Curtis, 2012) and NHS reference costs (DH, 2012a; DH, 2011a). Unit costs for criminal justice services were obtained from national (Ministry of Justice, 2012; Harries, 1999) and local (Metropolitan Police, 2012) publications. Values for productivity losses were taken from Perkins *et al.* (2009). Where needed unit costs were inflated using the Hospital and Community Health Services (HCHS) Pay and Prices Index (Curtis, 2012). Medication costs were excluded because the purpose of the intervention did not focus on treatment but rehabilitation. *Table 1* details the unit costs.

## <TABLE 1>

The cost of the intervention was estimated at £894 per participant, calculated from externally audited budget data and cost information provided by the MHF. The cost of the intervention includes set-up costs, revenue costs, overheads and capital costs. Set-up costs were spread over the number of potential users of the intervention estimated after the number of participants of a similar self-management training course run by Bipolar UK since 1998 (Bipolar UK, 2014). The MHF training was carried out over 2 years and included about 600 participants. Assuming that the course would be unchanged over the next 15 years and that a similar number of beneficiaries per year would take part in the training, the total number of participants has been estimated at 4500. Additional transport costs for people attending were estimated at an average of £54 per participant.

# Analysis

Data were analysed using SPSS 18 and MS Excel 2010. For the economic analysis we considered two sub-samples, one including only participants who completed all questionnaires at baseline and 6 months, and the other including all participants who completed all questionnaires at baseline and 12 months. In order to verify the comparability of those sub-samples, socio-demographic characteristics were described and compared statistically. Missing item data were replaced using simple mean imputation. Differences in outcomes (wellbeing and functional living skills) between baseline and 6 months (and between baseline and 12 months) were described and compared statistically.

The analysis of costs adopted two perspectives. The public services perspective included health and social care services and criminal justice. The societal perspective included these plus the cost of productivity loss, calculated by subtracting absences from worked hours. Differences in the use and cost of services over the previous three months between baseline and 6 months (and between baseline and 12 months) were described and compared statistically. Then, changes in cost and in benefits over time were compared between baseline and 6 months (and between baseline and 12 months). For this analysis, costs were calculated using multiples of the cost of services collected at baseline, 6 and 12 months.

#### **Results**

# Baseline characteristics

Baseline characteristics of all participants (N=262) and the two sub-samples used for the analysis at 6 months (N=87) and 12 months (N=61) are presented in *Table 2*. The dropout rates are 67% over 6 months and 77% over 12 months. The sociodemographic and clinical characteristics of the two sub-samples are similar to those of the entire population of participants; the only significant difference was a higher number of people with a diagnosis of bipolar disorder at both 6 and 12 months, and a higher number of medications consumed and higher unemployment at 6 months. Participants had a mean age of 44 years, with 61% being women and 58% from a Welsh background. The majority had poor literacy skills (70%) and were not employed (79%). The most prevalent diagnosis was bipolar disorder (65%), followed by depression (15%), schizophrenia (10%) and personality disorders (5%). Participants were taking an average of 1.6 medications.

#### <TABLE 2>

# Missing data

The analysis of missing data by variable showed that 5.6% of values were missing from all questionnaires at all three points in time.

# Clinical and functional outcomes

The results for the two outcomes are presented in *Table 3*. At 6 months both wellbeing (WEMWBS) and functional living skills (HPHL-II) had improved. Improvement remained constant at 12 months. Differences in outcome between baseline and follow-ups were statistically significant only for functional living skills.

#### <TABLE 3>

#### Resource use

Table 4 presents service use data. Day activity and community care services were the most frequently used at all three time-points. At 6 months there was a decrease in health and social care service use (inpatient, outpatient, day activity, community care) compared to baseline. At 12 months there was a bigger decrease in service use compared to baseline. However, statistical significance was reached only for inpatient and outpatient services between baseline and 12 months.

The use of criminal justice services increased slightly over time, but differences were not statistically significant. In particular, the number of detentions overnight increased over 6 months and almost returned to the baseline level by the 12–month point. However, the small sample and high dispersion of data suggest caution in interpretation of these findings.

After decreasing at 6 months, productivity increased by 12 months. However, differences from baseline were not statistically significant.

#### <TABLE 4>

#### Total cost

*Table 5* shows mean cost per participant. Health and social care costs decreased between baseline and 6 months and continued to decrease up to the 12-month point, when the difference was statistically significant. Criminal justice costs slightly increased over time, but again the difference was not statistically significantly. Productivity improved over the 12-month period, although the change was not statistically significant.

From the public services perspective, when we exclude the intervention cost, the mean cost per participant fell by 9% (-£202) between baseline and 6 months, and continued to decrease up to 48% (-£1,276) at 12 months, when the difference was statistically significant. However, when we *include* the intervention costs there was an increase in mean cost of 4% (£96) at 6 months and a decrease of 48% (-£1,276) at 12 months, when the difference was statistically significant.

From the societal perspective, when we exclude the intervention cost, the mean cost per participant decreased at 6 months by 14% (-£258) and by 64% (-£1,355) at 12 months, when the difference was statistically significant. However, when we include the intervention costs there was an *increase* in mean cost of 2% (£40) at 6 months and a decrease of 64% (-£1,355) at 12 months, when the difference was statistically significant.

# <TABLE 5>

# Changes in cost and benefit over time

*Table 6* summarises the changes in cost and in benefits per participant over the 6-month and 12-month follow-up periods.

From the public services perspective, self-management was associated with an increase in cost of 9% (£404) over 6 months but decreased by 30% (-£2,958) over 12 months. From the societal perspective, at 6 months self-management was associated with an increase in cost of 14% (£518) over 6 months but a decrease of 41% (-£3,228) over 12 months. However, differences are not statistically significant.

Those savings were associated with a significant improvement in functional living skills at 6 months and enduring at 12 months.

# <TABLE 6>

## **Discussion**

The main finding of this study is that self-management for people with severe mental disorders using secondary mental health services results in a significant improvement in functional living skills. From both the public services and the societal perspectives, our results suggest potential savings in the long term, with an increase in costs in the first six months followed by a decrease in the subsequent six months. Savings are more important from the societal perspective, given that we observe an increase in productivity.

Those results are consistent with the literature where self-management for people with severe mental disorders has been found to improve patient outcome and potentially reduce service utilisation (Bauer *et al.*, 2006; Lawn *et al.*, 2007; Colom *et al.*, 2003). However, to our knowledge, this is the only study also to explore a societal perspective. Employment being a potentially key part of the recovery process, the evaluation of productivity cost is essential in order to capture a more comprehensive assessment of the intervention.

The cost of the intervention (£894) is more expensive than similar interventions previously evaluated. For example, in the UK, the cost of the Expert Patient Programme was evaluated at £298 for a peer-led self-management programme for people with long-term conditions of a shorter length (six half-a-day weekly sessions). However, the difference in cost can be partly explained by the high estates cost and the high travel expenses due to the geography of Wales.

# Strengths and limitations

People in our sample have a higher wellbeing at the baseline than in Cyhlarova and colleagues (2014). The adoption of both public services and societal perspectives allowed us to highlight not only the decrease in cost associated with the use of services but also the savings associated with the increase in productivity. Moreover, the collection of data at two time points enabled us to evaluate both short-term and long-term impacts, with a steady improvement in clinical outcomes and an initial increase followed by a decrease in costs. However, while results showed a reduction in cost over the long-term, evidence from similar interventions suggests that the decrease is likely to plateau.

This study had many limitations: the lack of a control group, the small sample, and the high variance around results. Firstly, the lack of comparator does not allow us to attribute the change in outcomes, service use and costs to the intervention. In the absence of a control group in the original study design, we looked for data on a

potential comparison sample, both by searching the literature and contacting experts, but we did not find anything that was suitable. Secondly, the small sample, due to the high dropout rates, potentially limits the generalizability of our findings, and made it harder to test fully for significant change. Finally, the high variance around our estimates suggests caution in the interpretation of the findings.

# **Implications**

Recent evidence has shown that there might be an economic case for a number of different ways to support recovery (Knapp *et al.*, 2014) but little evidence on self-management. We have suggested that such an approach may facilitate recovery, helping to support people with severe mental disorders using secondary mental health services with the potential for cost advantages.

The principle of recovery has influenced recent mental health policy approaches in some countries. In Wales, while the 2005 National Service Framework for adult mental health had introduced 'empowerment' amongst its four key principles (Welsh Assembly Government, 2005), the more recent 10-year mental health strategy highlighted self-management as one of the objectives (Welsh Government, 2012). In England, the important contribution of peer support was recognised in the 2011 mental health strategy (DH, 2011b), and recommended for implementation (DH, 2012b).

Peer-led self-management for people with severe mental disorders may potentially be an attractive intervention supporting recovery with potential cost advantages. However, more robust evidence is needed to inform practitioners, commissioners and policy-makers to inform their investment in interventions.

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Table 1 Unit costs (£, 2011/12)

	TT	G
	Unit cost	Source
Health and assist	(£, 2011-12)	
Health and social care services		I
Inpatient services	0.65.4/1	G : 2012
Special hospital	£654/day	Curtis 2012
Secure/semi-secure unit	£516/day	DH 2012
Specialist assessment and/or treatment	£488/day	Curtis 2012
facility	222011	
Acute psychiatric ward	£330/day	Curtis 2012
Rehabilitation ward/facility	£288/day	Curtis 2012
Emergency/crisis centre	£122/day	DH 2011
General medical ward	£ 586/day	Curtis 2012
Outpatient services		
Psychiatric outpatient visit	£146/visit	Curtis 2012
Special unit outpatient visit	£146/visit	Curtis 2012
Other hospital outpatient visit (incl. A&E)	£139/visit	Curtis 2012
Day hospital (excl. regular day activity	£680/day	Curtis 2012
services)	·	
Day activity services		
Community MH centre	£37/user session	Curtis 2012
NHS day activity facility	£37/user session	Curtis 2012
LASSD day activity facility	£37/user session	Curtis 2012
Vol. org. day activity facility	£37/user session	Curtis 2012
Social club	£37/user session	Curtis 2012
Sheltered workshop	£32/user session	Curtis 2012
Community care services		
CPA key worker	£35/hour	Curtis 2012
Case manger	£81/hour	Curtis 2012
Community MH team member	£38/hour	Curtis 2012
Community learning difficulty team member	£38/hour	Curtis 2012
Older person community team member	£45/hour	Curtis 2012
Psychiatry/learning difficulty: consultant	£319/hour	Curtis 2012
Psychiatry/learning difficulty: senior reg.	£150/hour	Curtis 2012
Psychologist	£136/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Community psychiatric nurse	£67/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Community psychiatric flurse  Community learning difficulty nurse	£43/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Other nursing services	£51/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Social worker	£156/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Occupational therapist	£30/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Physiotherapist	£30/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Speech therapist	£30/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Chiropodist	£30/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Individual counselling/therapy	£65/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Group counselling/therapy	£7/hour per person	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Home help/home care worker	£23/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Outreach worker/family support	£49/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
General practitioner	£167/hour	Curtis 2012 Curtis 2012
Ocheral practitioner	£10//IIOuI	Curus 2012

Dentist	£96/unit	DH 2012
Optician	£30/hour	Curtis 2012
Criminal justice services		
Contacts (excl. overnight)	£139/contact	Metropolitan Police
		2012
Nights in a police cell/prison	£95/night	Ministry of Justice 2012
Psychiatric assessments whilst in custody	£358/unit	Curtis 2012
Criminal court appearances	£13360/proceeding	Home Office, 1999
Civil court appearances	£854/proceeding	Home Office, 1999
Employment		
Hours/week	£6.19/hour	DWP 2009
Absenteeism owing to illness	£6.19/hour	DWP 2009

Table 2 Socio-demographic and clinical characteristics at baseline

	Baseline (N=262)	Baseline- 6months (N=87)	Baseline- 12months (N=61)
Age (mean, SD)	43.5		
	(12.4)	45.3 (11.9)	44.6 (11.6)
Gender (no, %)			
Female	127 (61)	51 (59)	37 (61)
Male	81 (39)	36 (41)	24 (39)
Cultural background (no,			
%)			
Welsh	118 (58)	51 (59)	36 (60)
English	56 (28)	22 (26)	13 (22)
British	11 (6)	8 (9)	4 (7)
Other	17 (8)	5 (6)	7 (11)
Literacy (no, %)			
Poor	144 (70)	64 (74)	47 (77)
Quite good	48 (23)	17 (20)	10 (16)
Good	14 (7)	6 (6)	4 (7)
Employment (no, %)			
No	158 (79)	58 (68)**	43 (70)
Yes	43 (21)	27 (32)	18 (30)
Diagnosis (no, %)			
Bipolar disorders	123 (65)	66 (83)***	43 (75)**
Depression	29 (15)	9 (11)	7 (12)
Schizophrenia and psychosis	18 (10)	4 (5)	5 (9)
Personality disorders	10 (5)	1 (1)	2 (4)
Others	8 (5)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Medication (mean, SD)	1.6 (1.8)	2.1 (1.7)**	1.9 (0.1)

Note: \*\*  $P \le 0.01$  \*\*\*  $P \le 0.001$ .

Table 3 Outcomes at 0, 6 and 12 months: mean (SD) per participant

			Difference (Baseline-6m) (N=87)		12months (N=61)	Difference (Baseline-12m) (N=61)
WEMWBS	43.09	45.13	2.03 (13.33)	44.48	46.84	2.36 (11.60)

Total	(10.79)	(12.56)		(9.71)	(12.22)	
HPHL-II	2.55	2.71	0.16	2.62		
Total	(0.46)	(0.46)	(0.42)***	(0.44)	2.76 (0.47)	0.14 (0.42)**

Note: \*\*  $P \le 0.01$  \*\*\*  $P \le 0.001$ .

Table 4 Service use at baseline, 6 and 12 months: mean (SD) per participant over the last 3 months

	Baseline	6months	Difference	Baseline	12months	Difference
	(N=87)	(N=87)	(Baseline-6m)	(N=61)	(N=61)	(Baseline-12m)
			(N=87)			(N=61)
Health and Soc	cial Care	1		1		
Inpatient days	1.6 (5.0)	1.4 (6.9)	-0.2 (7.6)	3.5 (9.1)	0.4 (2.2)	-3.0 (9.4)**
Outpatient						
sessions	2.5 (3.6)	1.7 (3.6)	-0.8 (4.3)	2.6 (3.9)	1.3 (1.8)	-1.3 (4.4)*
Day activity	23.2	22.2		12.5		
hours	(56.2)	(60.0)	-1.8 (72.5)	(28.3)	7.2 (25.2)	-5.3 (32.1)
Community	13.2	11.1		10.1		
care hours	(37.1)	(25.4)	-2.1 (44.9)	(13.4)	8.7 (17.2)	-1.4 (18.3)
Criminal Justic	ce					
	0.04	0.08		0.07		
	(0.24)	(0.39)	0.05 (0.34)	(0.36)	0.08 (0.38)	0.02 (0.53)
Prison: no. of	0.13	0.74		0.13		
nights	(0.53)	(2.95)	0.61 (2.93)	(0.56)	0.15 (0.65)	0.02 (0.70)
Psychiatric	0.01	0.04		0.00		
assessments	(0.11)	(0.24)	0.02 (0.27)	(0.00)	0.05 (0.28)	0.05 (0.28)
Criminal court	0.01	0.05		0.00		
appearances	(0.11)	(0.44)	0.04 (0.45)	(0.00)	0.07 (0.51)	0.07 (0.51)
Civil court	0.00	0.02		0.00		
appearances	(0.00)	(0.22)	0.02 (0.22)	(0.00)	0.03 (0.26)	0.03 (0.26)
Employment						
Working hours	10.13	10.04		18.86	22.63	
per week	(15.36)	(15.22)	-0.08 (6.86)	(16.92)	(14.95)	3.78 (8.99)
Days of						
absence over 3	3.54	3.53		27.33		
months	(11.57)	(12.64)	-0.01 (14.69)	(30.18)	2.89 (6.62)	-24.44 (33.24)

Note: \*  $P \le 0.05$  \*\*  $P \le 0.01$ .

Table 5 Service cost at 0, 6 and 12 months: mean (SD) cost per participant over the last 3 months (£, 2011/12)

	Baseline (N=87)	6months (N-87)	Difference (Baseline-6m) (N=87)	Baseline (N=61)	12months (N=61)	Difference (Baseline-12m) (N=61)
Intervention	0	298	298	0	0	0
Health &	2174	1902		2619	1088	
Social Care	(3699)	(3949)	-273 (5098)	(4010)	(1461)	-1531 (4124)**
Criminal	184	255	70 (2262)	22 (71)	276 (1995)	254 (1999)

Justice	(1523)	(1656)				
Productivity	-555	-611				
loss	(1043)	(1076)	-56 (586)	-531 (972)	-609 (1090)	-79 (759)
Total Public						
Services						
(excl.	2359	2156		2640	1364	
intervention)	(4129)	(4427)	-202 (5785)	(4026)	(2477)	-1276 (4667)*
Total Public						
Services						
(incl.	2359	2454		2640	1364	
intervention)	(4129)	(4427)	96 (5785)	(4026)	(2477)	-1276 (4667)*
<b>Total Societal</b>						
(excl.	1804	1545		2110		
intervention)	(4344)	(4487)	-258 (5760)	(4245)	755 (2921)	-1355 (4760)*
<b>Total Societal</b>						
(incl.	1804	1843		2110		
intervention)	(4344)	(4487)	40 (5760)	(4245)	755 (2921)	-1355 (4760)*

Note: N/A Not applicable. \*  $P \le 0.05$  \*\*  $P \le 0.01$ .

Table 6 Changes in cost and outcomes per participant over the 6-month and 12-month follow-up periods  $(\pounds,2011/12)$ 

	Changes between baseline-6months (N=87)	Changes between baseline- 12months (N=61)
Total Public Services costs (excl. intervention)	-404	-2956
Total Public Services costs (incl. intervention)	192	-2062
Total Societal costs		
(excl. intervention)	-516	-3226
Total Societal costs (incl. intervention)	80	-2332
WEMWBS Total	2.03	2.36
HPHL-II Total	0.16***	0.14**

Note: \*\*  $P \le 0.01$  \*\*\*  $P \le 0.001$ .