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Organisation for Psychological Research into Stroke



Dear OPSYRIS members,
Thank you to everyone who submitted abstracts for OPSYRIS23 on Tuesday 4 July. This month we have some exciting opportunities to participate in a stroke-specific workforce initiative consultation, a 'datathon' exploring cognitive test data, and several research studies to share with you.
Best wishes,
Stephanie, Andrea, Fergus and Cat



UNDERSTANDING STROKE-SPECIFIC WORKFORCE INITIATIVES AN NHSE & SSEF NATIONWIDE CONSULTATION

- You are invited to participate in a nationwide survey about stroke-specific workforce transformation initiatives. The challenges facing the stroke workforce are well-documented, including limited staff, resources and training. However, we are aware that individuals, teams and systems are working hard to overcome these challenges through the development of non-traditional roles, new ways of working, and other innovative approaches to practice, staffing, and training. Such workforce transformation activities are vital to developing the stroke workforce of the future.
- Purpose of the survey:** Through this nationwide consultation exercise, we aim to identify, explore, and describe local workforce transformation initiatives to generate practical examples for wider adoption across the stroke workforce, and to develop some key recommendations to inform future initiatives.
- Who should participate?** Please consider participating if you are currently implementing, or have previously implemented, a workforce transformation initiative for enabling change within the workforce with regards to the five domains outlined below. Please also consider participating if you have any ideas future ideas for workforce transformation.
- How do I participate?** The survey will be open from 24/05/2023 for one month until closing on 21/06/2023. Please click here https://uclan.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3ynhceyU27oLuh8 to take part. We anticipate the survey will take no longer than 20 minutes to complete.
- If you have any questions**, please contact the SSEF team directly on the contact details below.

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Stroke-Specific Education Framework

UK Stroke Forum Education & Training

'DATATHON' TO EXPLORE COGNITIVE TEST DATA ORGANISED BY DEMENTIA PLATFORMS UK

- Dementia Platform UK (DPUK) are organising a datathon with experts in cognitive testing to explore novel hypothesis around cognitive and mood testing. Several datasets have been identified and participants will be able to explore and analyse these datasets with an objective of further understanding the relationships between different tests.
- On each of the 5 days of the datathon, there will be relevant talks from experts and then delegates will be able to work in groups on the data.
- Attendees will informally present their findings at the end of the datathon and will then be allowed access to the data for a further 3 months in order to complete further analyses, with a view to publication of results where relevant. Mentoring will be available throughout and for the further 3 months. Attendees are expected to have data analytics experience and an interest in cognitive assessment tools.
- The datathon will take place on-line; delegates only require a computer with internet access.



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Registration link <https://oxford.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/registration-of-applicants-virtual-datathon-june-2023>

RESEARCH STUDY: UNDERSTANDING THE EXPERIENCE OF CARING FOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER AFTER THEIR STROKE

- Bethany Harcourt is conducting a research study on the experience of caring for a friend or family member after stroke, as part of a thesis project for the Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at the University of Manchester.
- She would like to hear the experiences of those who have cared for a friend or family member after a stroke and would appreciate your help in raising awareness of this study, that is open to recruitment (e.g. via individuals affected by stroke, support groups or networks that you facilitate, or any professionals who may be able to distribute this further).
- She hopes that this research will help improve future support for people who care for someone who has experienced a stroke.
- If you would like further information or know anyone who may be interested, please contact Beth on bethany.harcourt@postgrad.manchester.ac.uk or 07907078901.
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This study has research ethics approval from University of Manchester Ref: 15237-27180

INSSIG SURVEY OF ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS WITH NEUROCOGNITIVE CONCERNS AFTER COVID-19

- Members of the International Neuropsychology Society Special Interest Group (INSSIG): COVID-19 (Cross Cultural COVID Assessment) have developed a survey to gain understanding of how mental health professionals are assessing and treating patients who are living with neurocognitive concerns after being diagnosed with COVID-19.
- This survey should provide insights into whether health care providers are referring patients for neurocognitive assessment, what neuropsychological tests they are using, what challenges they face in seeing COVID-19 patients, and how this differs across countries.
- Please give us 10 minutes of your time and complete the survey by clicking on this link <https://tinyurl.com/4cxnmh8>



Ethics approval: The study was approved by the James Madison University Institutional Review Board (IRB).

YOUR EVENT, JOB ADS AND RECRUITMENT

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