

Researching Complex Interventions in Health: The State of the Art

University of Exeter, UK

Wed 14th – Thu 15th October 2015

Programme

Wednesday 14th October

Time	Title	Speaker
09.00 – 09.30	Registration	
09.30 – 10.00	Welcome address	Janice Kay, Nick Talbot, Stuart Logan
10.00 – 12.30	Plenary addresses Panel Discussion chaired by David Richards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Researching complex interventions: the need for robust approaches</i> Peter Craig <i>Complex intervention studies – an important step in developing knowledge for practice</i> Ingalill Rahm-Hallberg <i>Public and patient involvement in research: what, why and how?</i> Nicky Britten <i>Mixed methods in health service research – where do we go from here?</i> Gunilla Borglin
12.30 – 13.30	Buffet Lunch	
13.30-15.00	Symposium A: Syntheses and Development of Complex Interventions Chair: Sascha Köpke	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Exploring complexity in systematic reviews of complex interventions</i> Gabriele Meyer <i>Horses for courses: the potential of qualitative evidence synthesis to complex intervention research</i> Jo Rycroft-Malone <i>Can complex health interventions be optimised before moving to a definitive RCT? Strategies and methods currently in use</i> Sara Levati <i>A systematic approach to develop theory-based implementation interventions</i> Anne Sales
15.00 – 15.30	Refreshments	

<p>15.30-17.00</p>	<p><u>Symposium B:</u> Feasibility of Complex Interventions Chair: Ingalill Rahm-Hallberg</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Pilot studies and feasibility studies for complex interventions: an introduction</i> Lehana Thabane 2. <i>What can be done to pilot complex interventions?</i> Nancy Feeley/Sylvie Cossette 3. <i>Using feasibility and pilot trials to test alternative methodologies and methodological procedures prior to full scale trials</i> Rod Taylor 4. <i>A mixed methods feasibility study in practice</i> Jacqueline Hill
<p>19.00-21.00</p>	<p>Drinks Reception at Royal Albert Memorial Museum</p>	<p><i>Complex, complicated or chaotic?</i> Talk by Paul Dieppe</p>

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09.00-10.30	<p><u>Symposium C:</u> Adapting trial methods for Complex Interventions Chair: Katrina Wyatt</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Non-standard experimental designs and preference designs</i> Louise von Essen <i>Evaluation gone wild: using natural experimental approaches to evaluate complex interventions</i> Andrew Williams <i>The stepped wedge cluster randomised trial: an opportunity to increase the quality of evaluations of service delivery and public policy interventions</i> Karla Hemming <i>Adaptive designs in confirmatory clinical trials: opportunities in investigating complex interventions</i> Munyaradzi Dimairo
10.30-11.00	Refreshments	
11.00-12.30	<p><u>Symposium D:</u> Getting more value from evaluations of Complex Interventions Chair: Gabriele Meyer</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Processes, contexts and outcomes in complex interventions, and the implications for evaluation</i> Mark Petticrew <i>Process evaluation of complex interventions: Medical Research Council guidance</i> Graham Moore/Janis Baird <i>Qualitative evaluation alongside RCTs: What to consider to get relevant and valuable results</i> Salla Atkins/Willem Odendaal <i>Using economic evaluations to understand the value of complex interventions: when maximising health status is not sufficient</i> Katherine Payne
12.30 – 13.00	Collect your Buffet Lunch	
13.00 - 13.40	<p>“Come and See My Poster” Chair: David Richards</p>	<p><i>37 poster presenters will be given one minute to ‘invite’ the audience to come and view their poster. They must summarise their poster and convince the audience of why they should spend time looking at their work.</i></p>

13.40 – 15.00	Poster viewing and Networking	<i>This will take place in the Cavendish Ballroom</i>
15.00 – 15.30	Refreshments	
15.30- 16.30	<p>Symposium E: Implementing and modelling Complex Interventions Chair: Rob Anderson</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>How to arrive at an implementation plan</i> Theo van Achterberg 2. <i>Modelling process and outcomes in complex interventions</i> Walter Sermeus 3. <i>Systems modelling for improving health care</i> Martin Pitt/Thomas Monks
16.30-16.45	Closing thoughts	

Charles Abraham and his team will deliver a pre-conference workshop on 13th October 12.00-17.00.
The title of the workshop is “The Design and Evaluation of Behaviour Change Interventions”.