

Evaluation and Collaboration: Celebrating the Impact of CWP's



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Context and Background

- Nationally commissioned in 2017, the CWP Role has a focus on local deployment and **community** impact (NHSE, 2015)
- The role represented a significant component of an exciting programme of national workforce **expansion** focused on **early intervention**
- Context of continued challenges in relation to collection and reporting of **outcomes** within CYP Mental health services (Wolpert et al., 2018)



Rationale for Outcomes

- **Improved Clinical Practice** (Edbrooke-Childs et al., 2016)
- **Transparency** and accountability of service (NHSE, 2015)
- Enhances **shared** decision making (Law & Wolpert, 2014)
- Improved **communication** (Carlier et al., 2012)
- To support **effective** supervision (Law & Wolpert, 2014)



Rationale for Evaluation and Reporting

- Developing an understanding of impact and **effectiveness**
- Real world **sustainability**
- Provider **support**, development and challenge
- Feedback-loop supporting **outcome** informed practice
- **Celebration** and **Consideration**



A Regional Collaboration and Evaluation

- A new workforce provides new **opportunity** and motivation
- The importance of being **proactive** – strategies for regional **engagement** and problem solving
- Ongoing service liaison and **collaboration**
- **Research** and Evaluation opportunity



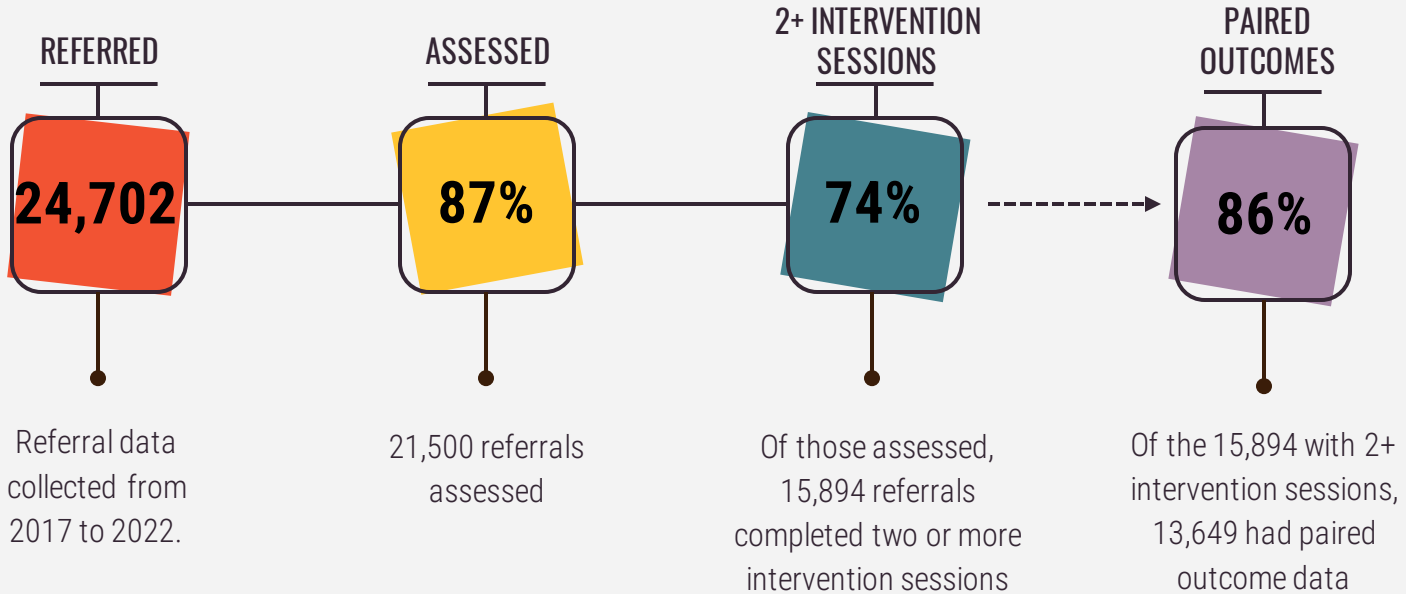
A National Collaboration and Evaluation

- This presentation brings together a **range** of regional evaluation data and findings from across 4 participating regions in England
- London, Reading and the North East and South West of England
- The data provides an **amalgamation** of this data and is presented to provide a brief summary of key findings
- This exert of combined data is not exhaustive and is limited in scope, but offers us an insight into the scale, reach and impact of the CWP role

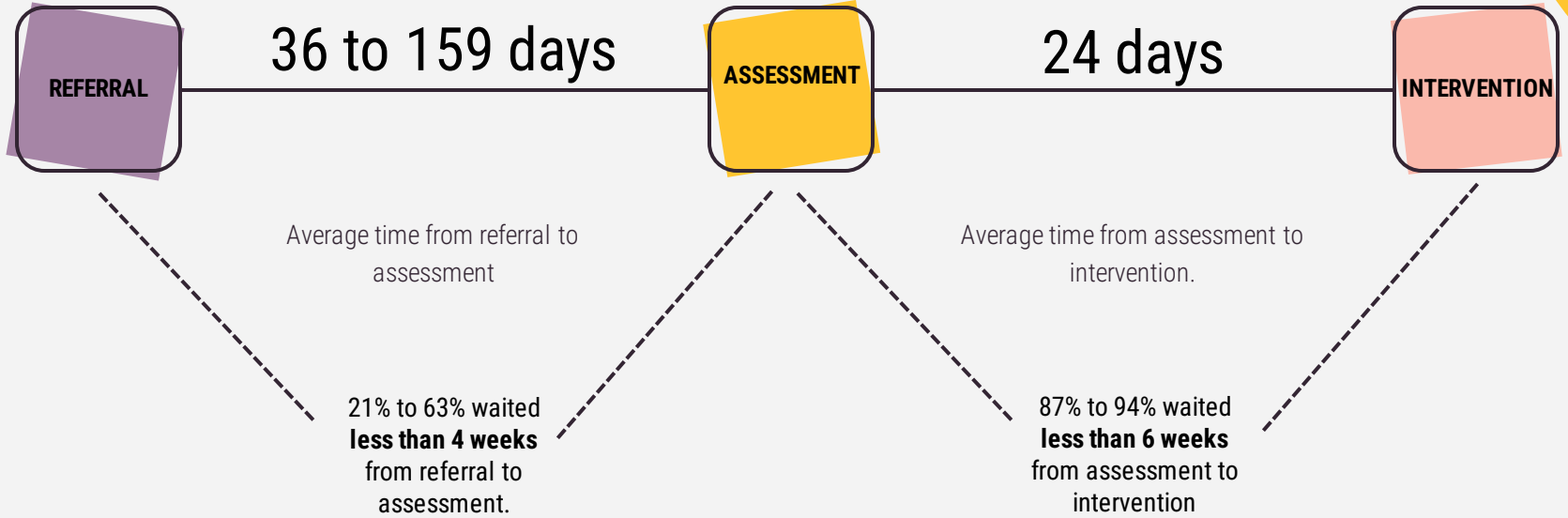


Let's Take A Look..

REFERRAL JOURNEY



WAITING TIMES

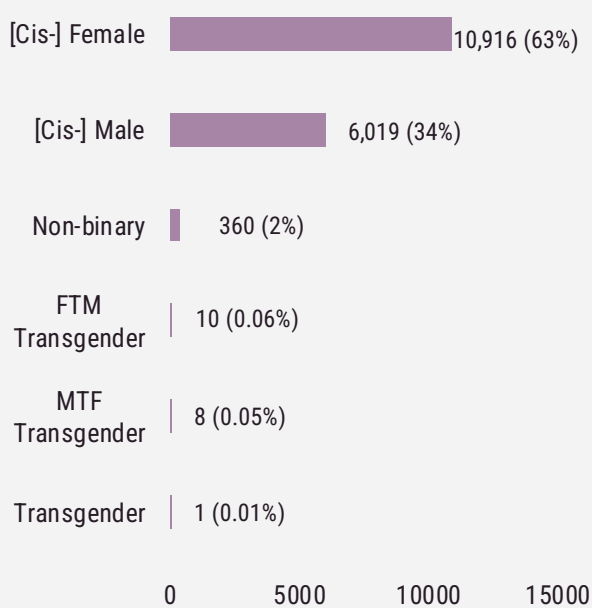


Average time from referral to discharge ranged from 113 to 240 days

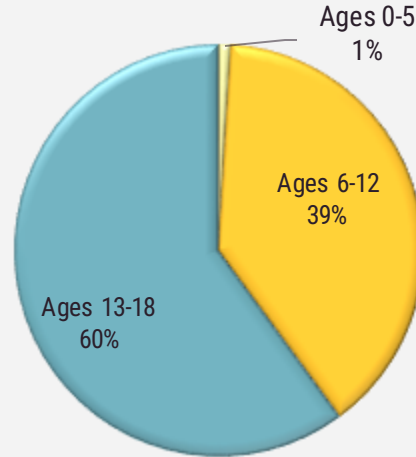
Based on 9,308 CYP

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

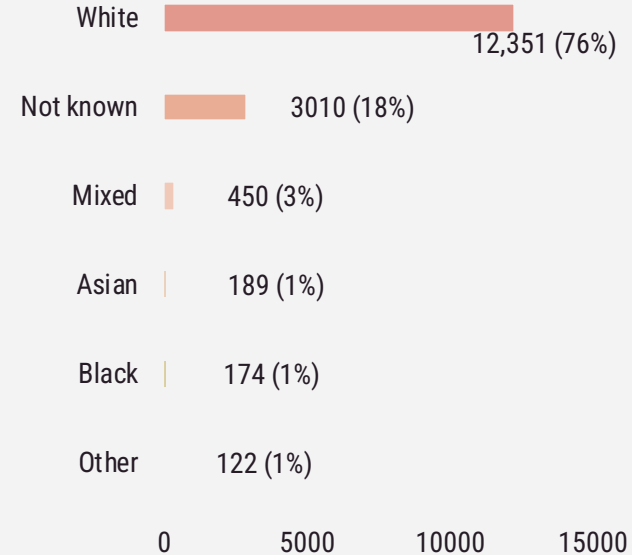
Gender of referrals (n=17,361)



Age of all referrals (n=17,039)

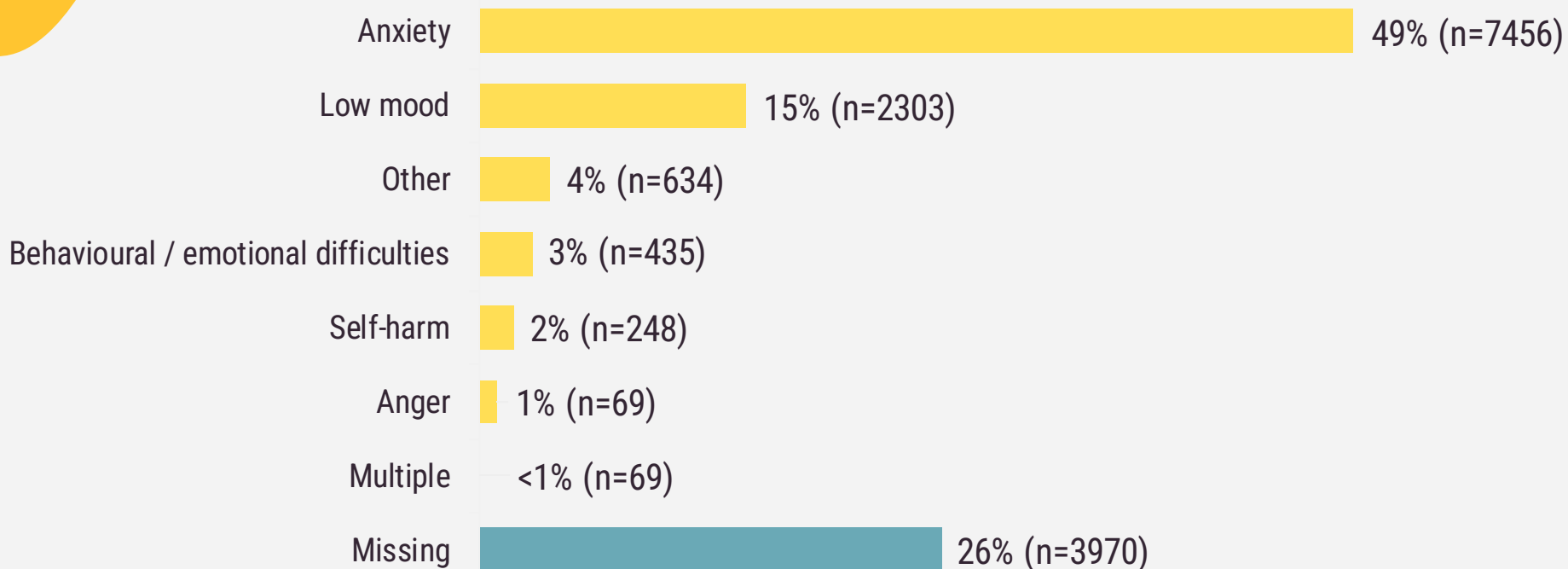


Ethnicity of all referrals (n=16,296)



Note on gender: We are continuously expanding our data collection to more accurately reflect gender diversity and we now collect gender data across the categories cis-female, cis-male, non-binary, transgender FTM and transgender MTF. We previously collected data on transgender CYP in one group, this is represented on the graph. The combined % of CYP who identify differently from the sex they were registered with at birth is 2.12%.

PRESENTING DIFFICULTY



Based on 15,269 CYP

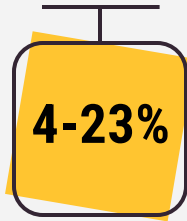
COMPLEXITY FACTORS

A practitioner rated measure (Current View) is used to identify children and young people living in difficulty. Data below represents the four most frequently identified complexity.

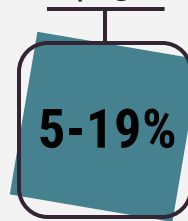
Parental health
issues



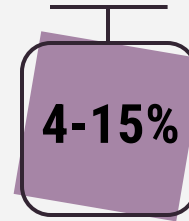
Abuse or
neglect



Autism/
Asperger's



Learning
disability



The number of children and young people presenting with at least one complexity factor was 25% - 42%

Based on 1,085 CYP

Revised Child Anxiety and Depression Scale (RCADS)

The Revised Children's Anxiety and Depression Scale (RCADS) assesses symptoms of anxiety and depression in children and young people across six subscales. Overall (total) scores are described below.

AVERAGE IMPROVEMENT

7.1 – 11.2

Mean score difference from before to after intervention.



average before
intervention

average after
intervention

RELIABLE IMPROVEMENT

41-53%

made a reliable improvement.

42 – 51% haven't changed.

5 – 8% deteriorated.

SEVERITY

50%

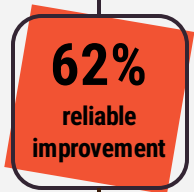
of children and young people
presented as above the
severity threshold.

Based on 6,678 matched pairs

INTERVENTION IMPACT

Data from four most frequently delivered low-intensity interventions using RCADS Total score.

Brief Behavioural Activation



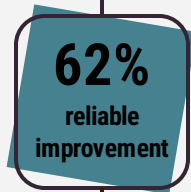
35% no change
4% deteriorate

Behavioural Experiments



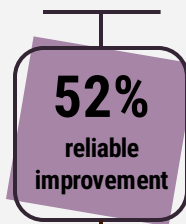
38% no change
5% deteriorate

Cognitive Restructuring



33% no change
5% deteriorate

Parent-led CBT

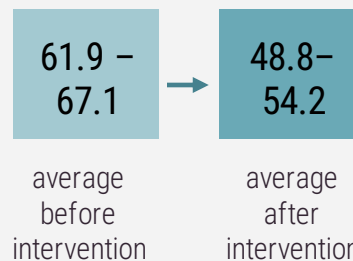


41% no change
7% deteriorate

AVERAGE IMPROVEMENT

12.1 – 14.1

Mean score difference
from before to after
intervention.



Based on 689 CYP

GOAL BASED OUTCOMES (GBO)

Meaningful goals are generated in collaboration with the practitioner and are used to measure progress during the intervention.

AVERAGE GOAL DIFFERENCE

4.0 – 4.2

Average goal difference from before intervention to after intervention.

2.4 – 3.0



6.6 – 7.1

average before
intervention

average after
intervention

RELIABLE IMPROVEMENT

66-71%

made a reliable improvement.

28 – 33% haven't changed.

1% deteriorated.

GOAL IMPROVEMENT

80%

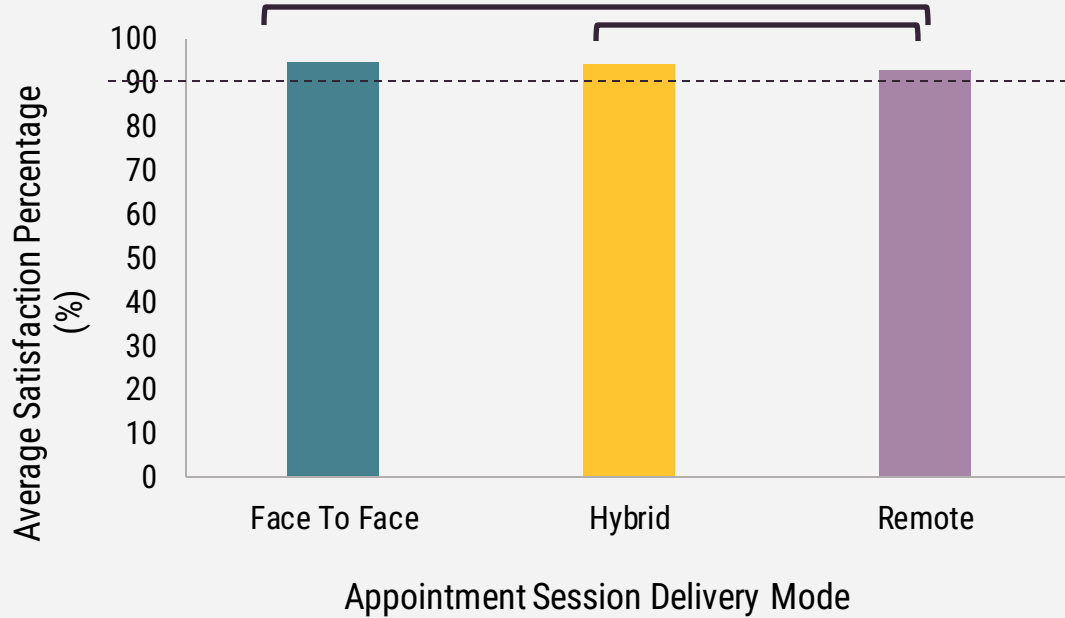
improved on all goals.

14% improved on some goals.

6% made no improvement
towards their goals.

Based on 11,417 matched pairs

SESSION SATISFACTION



All groups showed satisfaction rates higher than the target 90%

Statistically significant results:

- Face to Face had higher average satisfaction than Remote ($p=.004$)
- Hybrid had higher average satisfaction than Remote ($p=.050$)

Overview

- Overall **satisfaction** rates are high and impact is demonstrated **nationally** across **diverse** socio-economic and demographic areas and service delivery models
- Outcomes are **comparable** to outcomes demonstrated in other adult and CYP mental health services (Clark et al., 2009; Edbrooke-childs et al., 2018 CYP-IAPT evaluation)
- High reliable improvement rates in individualised Goal Based Outcome measures suggest interventions are **targeted, impactful and CYP centred** (Edbrooke-childs et al., 2015).
- Low deterioration rates suggest the possibility that interventions serve a **preventative** role essential to early intervention.

Limitations

- Only a **snap-shot** of real-world, CWP collected data. Very little can be determined about the active elements of guided self-help interventions for common mental health difficulties in CYP
- Understanding of impact of **gender, ethnicity or complexity** factors on outcome is still very limited
- Understand little about the broader impact of the role in relation to increasing **access, community relationships, resilience and prevention** of CYP mental health



Future Steps

- More controlled research to investigate the impact and development of **specific** GSH interventions delivered by CWP's and **active** elements of support.
- Exploration of factors that contribute to improved or poorer outcomes; **complexity factors, severity and comorbidity** of difficulties.
- Evaluation of impact of **broader aspects of the role**; increasing access, prevention of child and adolescent mental health difficulties and building resilience in CYP communities.

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