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Staff Experience of a Mental Health Rehabilitation and Recovery Service: A Photo Elicitation Study.

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In 2014 Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust brought NHS in-patient and community voluntary sectors together to form a novel in-reach Rehabilitation and Recovery Service.

Aims: The aim of this research is to provide an in-depth understanding of the R&R Service from the perspective of both service users and staff.

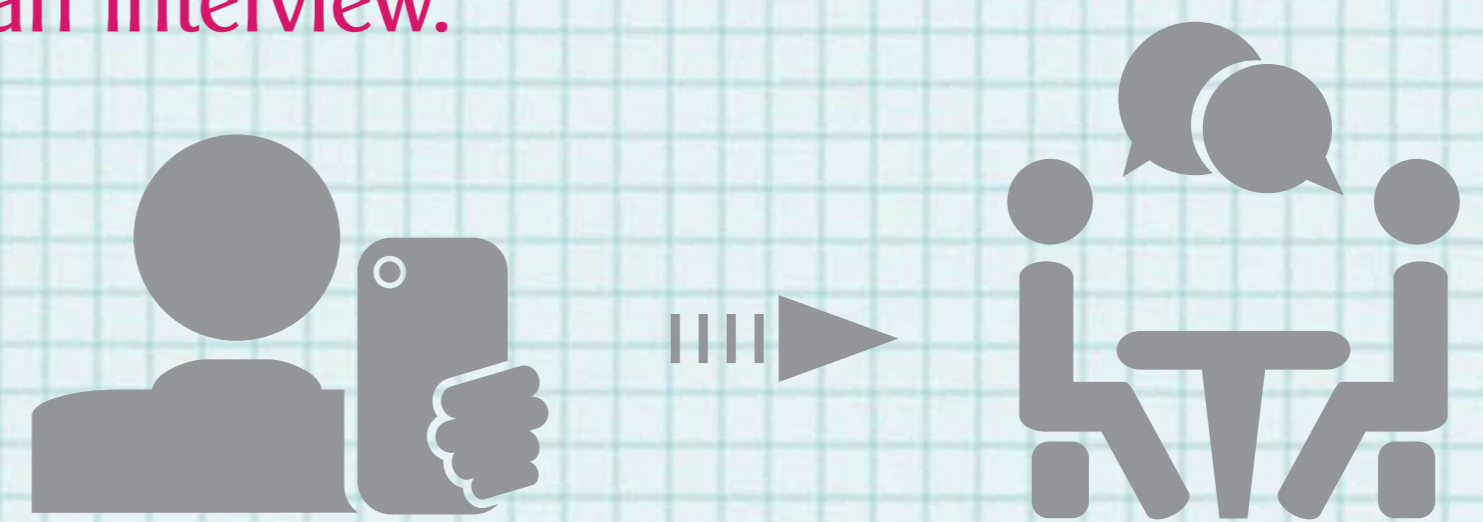
Method: Photo elicitation has been conducted with a purposive sample of service users and staff to enrich data collection through one-to-one semi-structured interviews to explore their experiences of the Service. Interviews were analysed using the thematic, qualitative method of Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis.

This poster focuses on staff findings.

Because every picture has a story to tell...

What is Photo Elicitation?

Photo elicitation is a creative method in which participants are invited to take photographs relevant to the study and asked to discuss them in an interview.



Themes



Power



Meaning-making



Relationships



Recovery



Resilience

Staff have engaged deeply with the process, describing the method as surprisingly evocative. They have provided extremely interesting information, enjoyed the process, and discussed photographs on a sophisticated metaphorical level.

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