

# Evaluation of the Wakefield Mental Health Navigator Scheme



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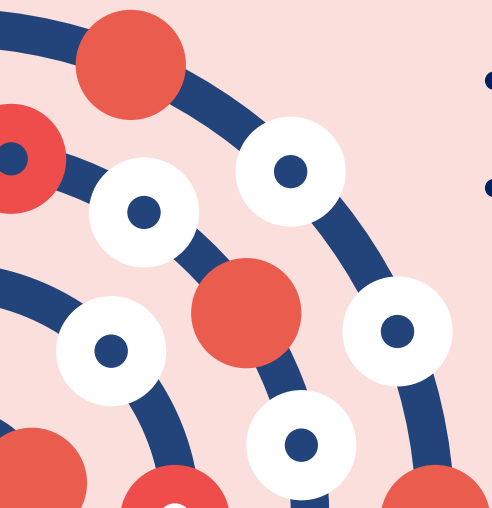


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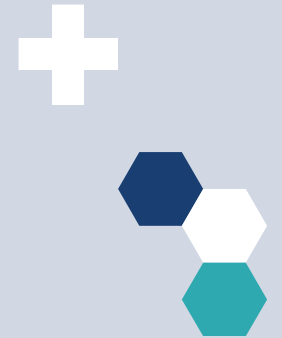


More than two in three people with mental health problems have at least one issue with their current housing.

- Wakefield District Housing and Wakefield CCG jointly commissioned 3 Mental Health Navigators in 2015
- NHS employed but embedded in WDH
- Supporting tenants to access mental health and other services
  - Preventing tenancy breakdown
- Previous report suggests positive impacts
- Further evaluation needed



AIM: to conduct a robust, theory informed, evaluation of the Wakefield MHN scheme, whilst exploring potential barriers and facilitators to adoption in novel settings, using that evidence to inform an implementation toolkit to support roll-out in other sites.



1) Characteristics, services received and outcomes

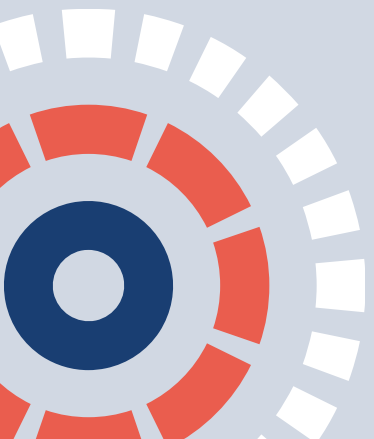
2) Potential mechanisms of impact

3) Changes in secondary care healthcare resource use

4) Costs and consequences

5) Acceptability, feasibility and wider delivery context

6) Implementation toolkit



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- Routine outcome monitoring data
- Descriptive analysis

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- Casefile audit
- Qualitative comparative analysis

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- Hospital episode statistics (HES)
- Area-based analysis (interrupted time series)

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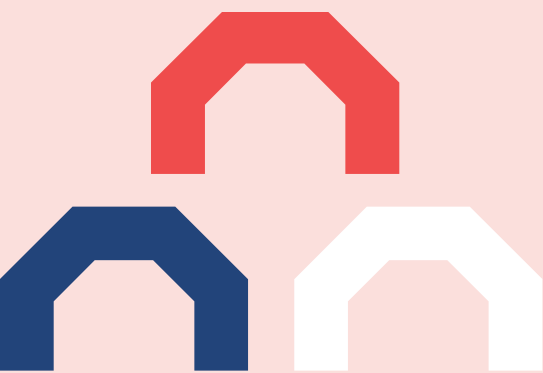
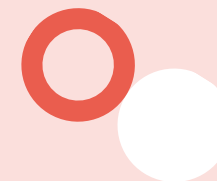
- Data from W1-3 and costs
- Cost consequence analysis + broader assessment

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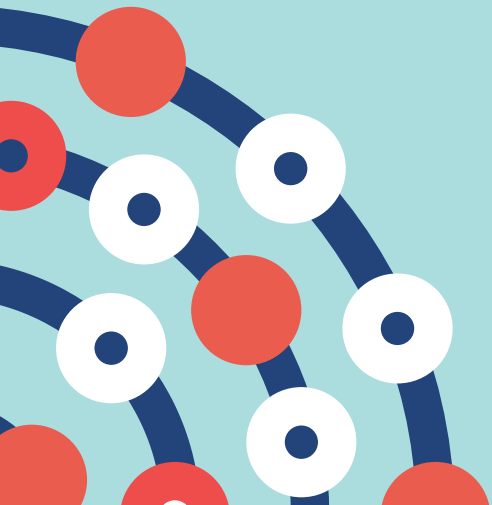
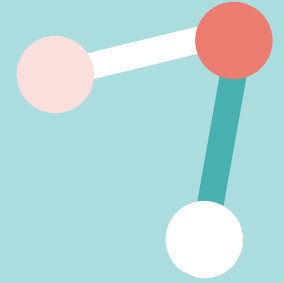
- Qualitative interviews with stakeholders
- Normalisation Process theory

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- Qualitative interviews with potential new adopter
- Implementation advisory group



- Approvals process where data spans NHS and non-NHS
- Challenges of routinely collected data
- Emerging theory of change
- Service developments
- Insights from potential new adopters
- Scoping review





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