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Blank space feedback highlighted the tool's clarity and simplicity.

**Conclusion.** This QI project was able to highlight and address a key issue in clinical care in a simple, and very low cost manner. Improvements were demonstrated after one month of intervention, and a more in-depth trust-wide rollout of the project is being discussed.

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## Revisiting Dental Care and Mental Health: A Quality Improvement Project of Dental Care for Patients With Severe Mental Illness Living in a Community Rehabilitation Centre

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**Aims.** The Care Quality Commission report (Smiling matters: oral health care in care homes) showed that too many people living in care homes were not being supported to maintain and improve their oral health. Lime Tree Garden is a purpose-built care home for up to 24 adults with mental health needs supporting people with enduring mental health illness to develop basic life skills so they can live supported in the community.

This is a quality improvement project aiming to improve oral health and to reduce the burden of oral diseases in people with mental disorders and ensure timely access to dental treatment in Lime Tree Gardens through meeting the NICE quality standards of care.

Methods. Auditing current implementing status of oral health procedures in place and comparing with NICE guidelines and quality standards: 1) Adults who move into a care home have their mouth care needs assessed on admission; 2) Adults living in care homes have their mouth care needs recorded in their personal care plan; 3) Adults living in care homes are supported to clean their teeth twice a day and to carry out daily care for their dentures. For each patient, their dental care plan is recorded and compared with NICE guideline. Results. There are challenges and space for improvement while implementing Oral health toolkit for adults in care homes at Lime Tree Gardens. A significant amount of patients (>90%) have unmet needs in terms having oral health.

**Conclusion.** There is a need to address the dental health challenges in this vulnerable population with recurrent and enduring mental illness. It is important to integrate and highlight dental health, as an important part of physical heath into the overall medical management of patients with severe mental illness in residential rehabilitation psychiatry.

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## Health and Social Care Staff Awareness of Menopausal Symptoms in Adults With Intellectual Disability: Results From a Survey

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Aims. Menopausal symptoms often go unrecognised in individuals with intellectual disability (ID). There is growing societal awareness of the impact of menopause on mental health, yet this has not been replicated in the ID population. In light of this, we wanted to establish the current levels of knowledge, confidence and skills of staff working in a specialist community intellectual disability service (CIDS). The findings from the survey may help identify ways of improving awareness of menopausal symptoms with individuals with ID.

**Methods.** We performed a cross sectional survey of staff views and practice in relation to considering and discussing menopausal symptoms with individuals with ID. The survey was anonymous, and conducted on Microsoft Forms. A mixture of quantitative and qualitative data was captured. A QR code linking to the survey was disseminated to the whole team (60 staff) via email and in-person staff meetings.

Results. There was 50% (30/60) responses to the staff survey. The majority of respondents worked in either health (16/30) or social care (12/30). Two thirds of respondents either agreed or strongly agreed (20/30) that discussing menopausal symptoms was part of their role. 57% of respondents (17/30) felt confident discussing menopausal symptoms with service users, while 20% (6/30) felt neutral and 23% did not feel confident. 90% (27/30) of respondents either agreed or strongly agreed that they would benefit from teaching and training in the effects of menopause in our service users. Thematic analysis of the free text responses revealed that staff wanted to understand treatments available for menopause as well as improved easy read material explaining menopausal symptoms to individuals with ID.

Conclusion. Our survey revealed a spectrum of confidence levels in discussing menopausal symptoms with service users, and a large appetite for further training and resources to aid these conversations. In light of the results from this survey, a Quality Improvement (QI) project has been initiated. Once QI change ideas have been tested, a repeat survey will be completed to compare staff views and confidence in this area and in this way measure the effectiveness of those changes.

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## Quality Improvement Project - Producing an Information Poster to Improve Easily Accessible Practical Information to Junior Doctors Whilst On-Call at Fieldhead Hospital

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**Aims.** To create an information poster for the doctors' on-call room and doctors' office at Fieldhead Hospital (a Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital in Wakefield) to improve readily available practical information to doctors whilst on-call.