

The McPin Foundation is a mental health research charity. We champion experts by experience in research so that people's mental health is improved in communities everywhere. We deliver high quality user focused mental health research and evaluations. We support and help to shape the research of others, often advising on patient and public involvement strategies. We work to ensure research achieves positive change. Find out more about us at www.mcpin.org, or follow us on twitter @mcpinfoundation

Our participants

In 2016-7, we gathered data from 2,185 people across England and Wales.

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Our team

In 2016-7 we employed people with a range of skills. Our staff team is now 19, including staff who deliver peer research, and we also work with 78 peers, using their expertise from experience to advise us on our research or deliver research as consultants with us.

April 2016

Staff team (peer and non-peer members): **23**

Peer researchers / consultants / advisors: **61**

Volunteers: **5**



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Our new and developing projects

In 2016-7, the McPin Foundation was involved in developing new proposals to secure funding and start new research projects. We raised £450,000 in project grants.



We developed and sought funding for **32** projects.



We secured funding and set up of **17** of these projects.



We have completed **9** projects.

Our methodological work

In November 2016, we held our first methods workshop, which explored how to integrate expertise from experience into mental health research teams.



73

People attended



61

Guests



12

McPin staff attended



217

People expressed an interest in attending

Our reporting

A vital part of our work is producing practical outputs to inform and influence others. We produced:



One toolkit



We contributed to **5 peer review journal articles**, one where we were the lead authors



Nine reports available for download



Six reports delivered to a commissioner for internal use only



Over **1,500 people** received our newsletter and **over 750** were sent our involvement bulletins



41 blogs on our website

Our involvement panels

We continue to grow the number of Lived Experience Advisory Panels (LEAPs) we set up with universities. These are panels made up of people with relevant expertise from experience linked to the research topic being studied.



April 2013



April 2014



April 2015



April 2016



April 2017

Our partners and projects

In 2016-7 we worked on 35 projects, of which 30 included direct peer involvement. Projects were delivered with 25 different partners and we were commissioned by 21 organisations to undertake research and evaluation activities for them. We worked with:



12 public sector organisations including:

Public Health England, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust, Kent County Council, Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust

13 voluntary sector organisations including:

Mind, Macmillan Cancer Care, Men's Health Forum, Centre for Mental Health



17 university departments including:

St George's University of London, London School of Economics, Imperial College London, Kings College London, University College London, Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Birmingham, Exeter, Lancaster, Nottingham, York

