

Primary Care Phased Investment Programme

Exploring Patient Experiences in Primary Care Improvement

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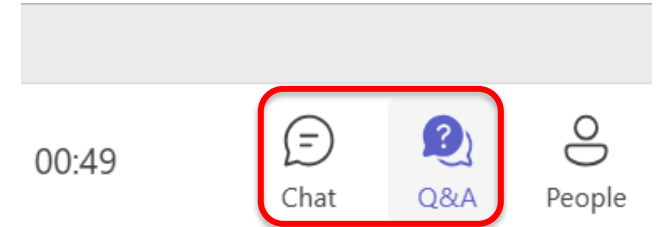
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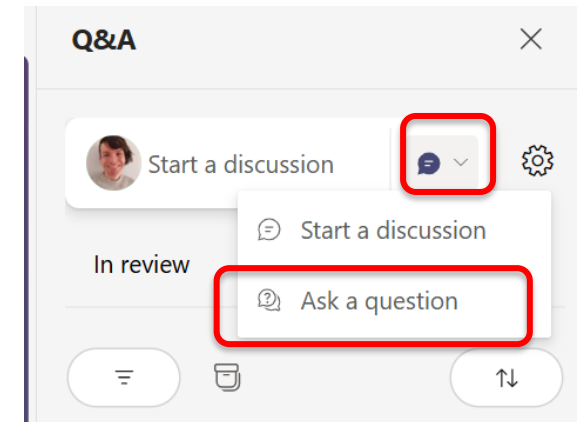
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Scene setting

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- Please note that questions on Scottish Government decisions or contractual matters are out with our remit and cannot be answered.



Today's speakers



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Webinar overview

- Juggling multiple conditions in primary care: Robert's story
- Understanding the reality of patients' experiences in primary care
- The primary care journey and discovery conversations in Primary Care Phased Investment Programme (PCPIP)
- Challenges and opportunities to improve patient journeys panel discussion

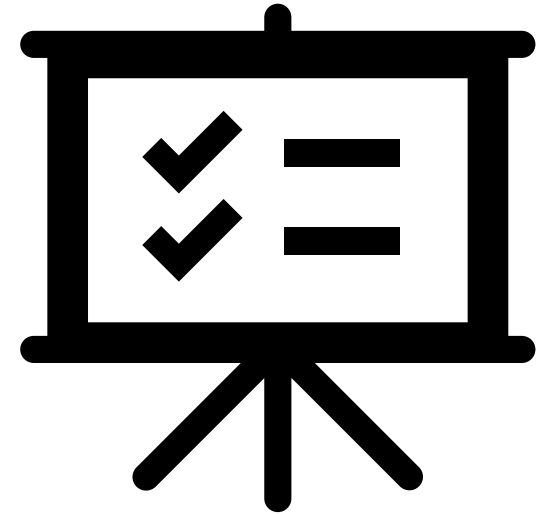


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Background to Robert's story

[SysteMatic](#)

“A research collaboration between the University of Liverpool and the University of Glasgow, to reimagine how health and care systems support people living with Multiple Long-Term Conditions”

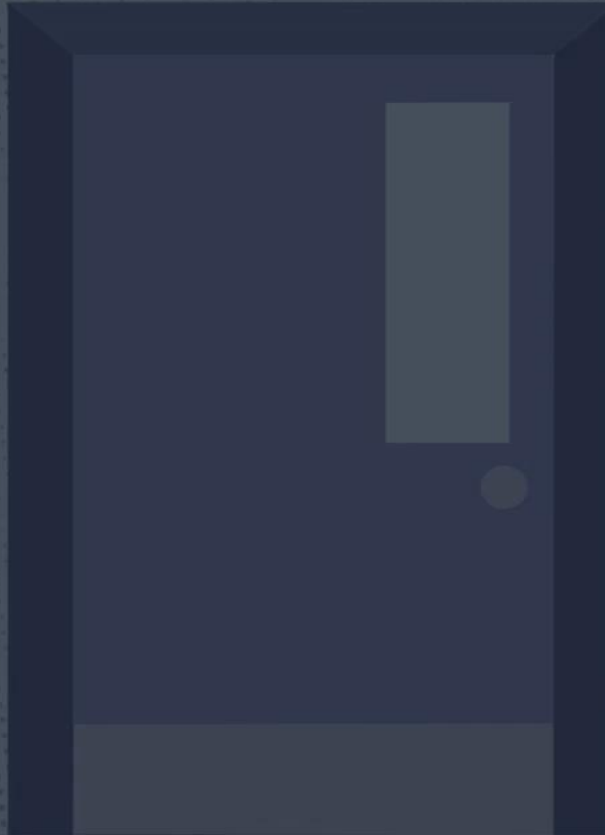
[Dr. Nic Dickson - The People Insights Team](#)

“A participatory, arts-based research approach exploring the experiences of people who have multiple long-term health conditions and live in the most deprived communities”



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Robert's story



Poll reflections

What words come to mind when you think about Robert's experience of primary care?



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Patient Experience

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Recognise the system

“Health Systems are
designed by healthy
people for healthy
people”

Dr Adam Burley Clinical Psychologist

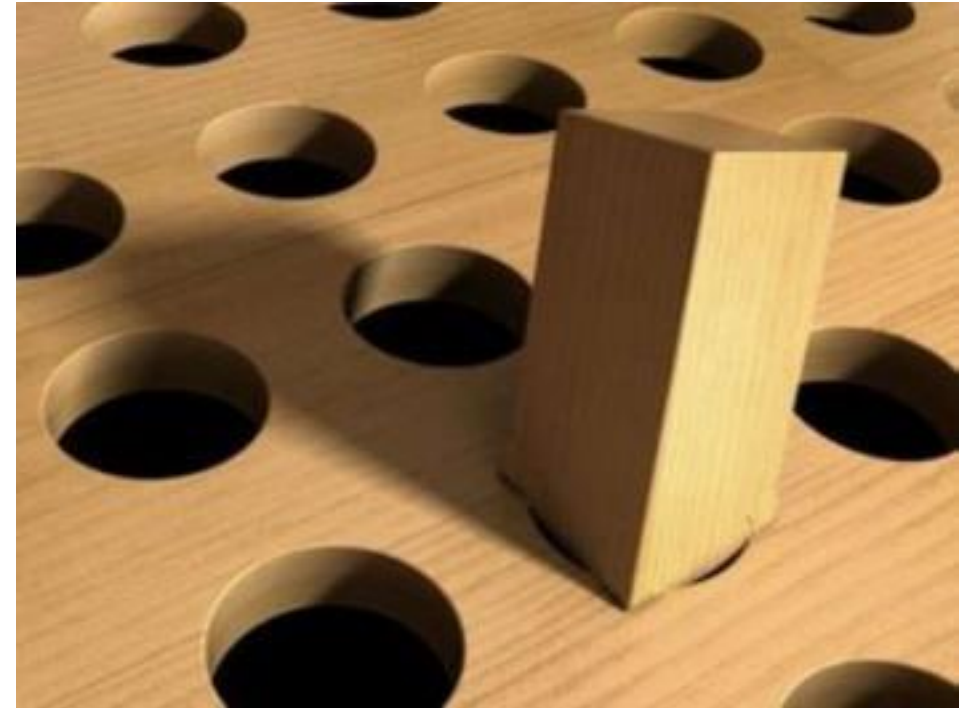


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It's Relationship Stupid!



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Barriers



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Relational care

- Reduces Mortality (1)
- Reduces Hospitalisation (2,3)
- Increases patient trust (4)
- Multiple other benefits (5)

1. Baker R, Freeman GK, Haggerty JL, Bankart MJ, Nockels KH. Primary medical care continuity and patient mortality: [a systematic review](#). *British Journal of General Practice*. 2020;70(698):e600-e11.

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4. Murphy M, Salisbury C. [Relational continuity and patients' perception of GP trust and respect: a qualitative study](#). *British Journal of General Practice*. 2020;70(698):e676-e83.

[5. The Evidence | Continuity benefits patients](#)



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Understanding barriers: habitus and capital



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Dickson N, McBride L, Mason C, Devine F, McCallum M. Meaningful community engagement: [a Deep End perspective](#). British Journal of General Practice. 2025;75(752):126-7.

Community

- Being Known
- Stigma
- None of the Systems work

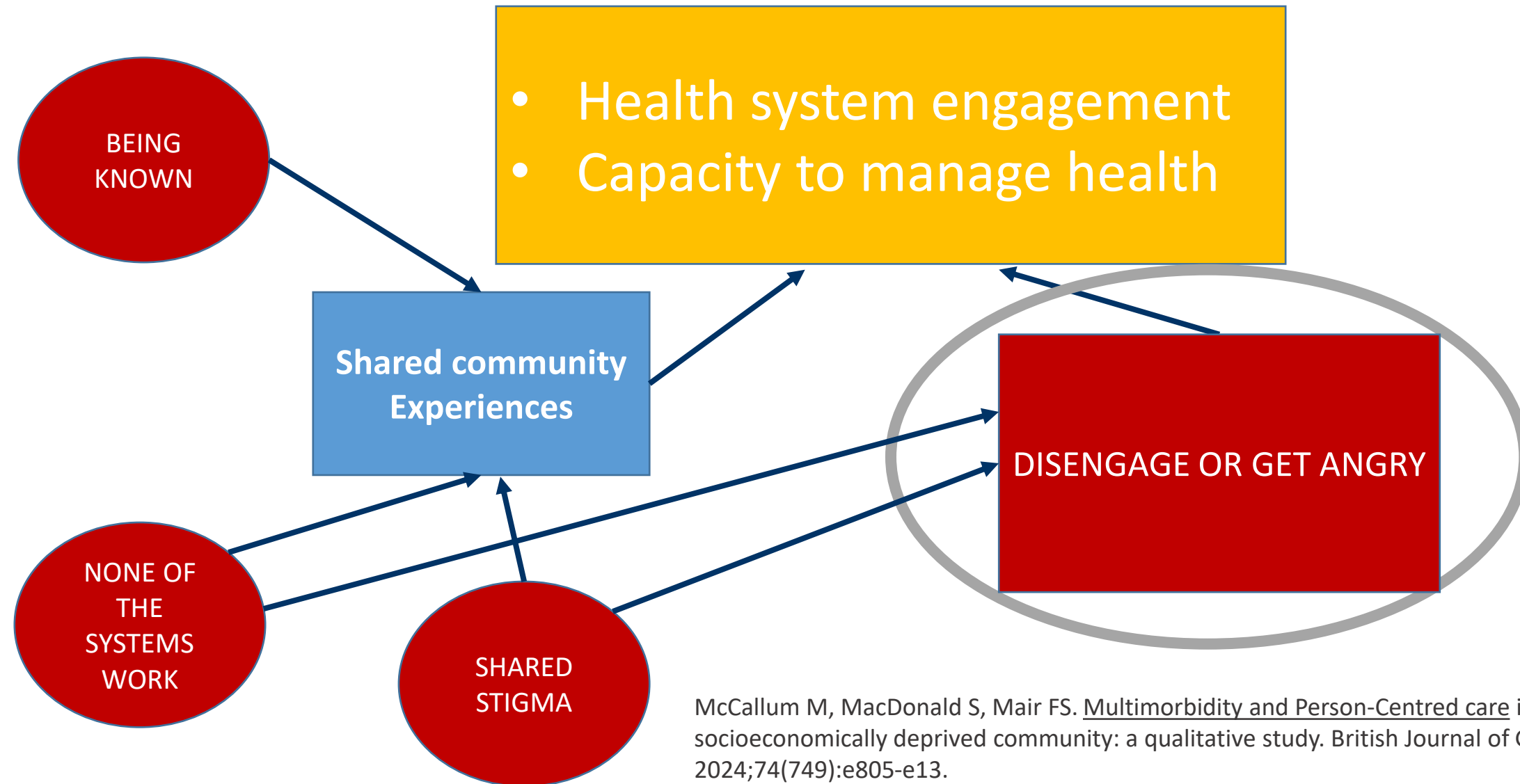


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Multimorbidity and person-centred care in a socioeconomically deprived community: a qualitative study

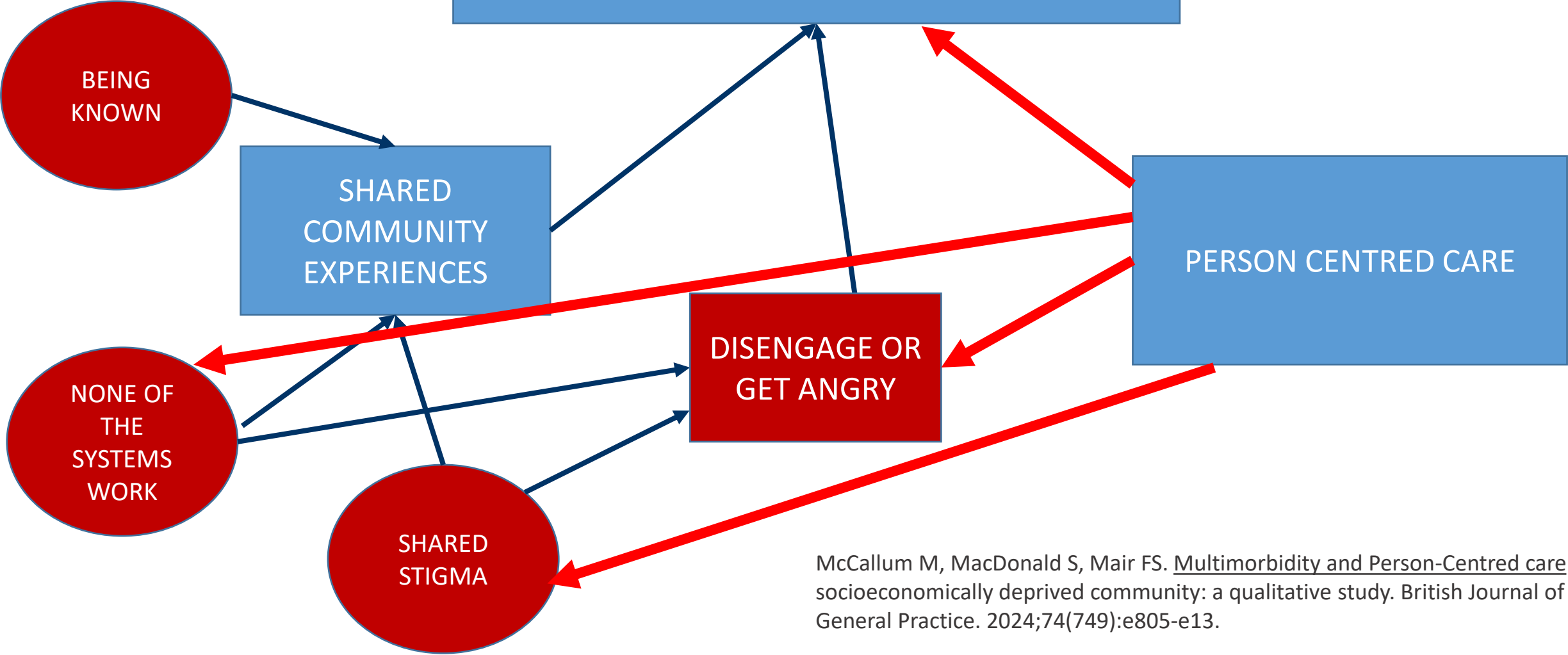
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Understanding barriers: community matters



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- Health system engagement
- Capacity to manage health



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The importance of relational care and community

- High SED context shifts primary care to a system that is “for them”
- Deep End Report 42:
 - Policy levers
 - Practice level
 - Research and evidence building
 - Training and education

1. McCallum M, Macdonald S, Mair F (2024) [Multimorbidity and person-centred care](#) in a socioeconomically deprived community: a qualitative study
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The Patient Experience: Burden of Treatment Theory



Capacity

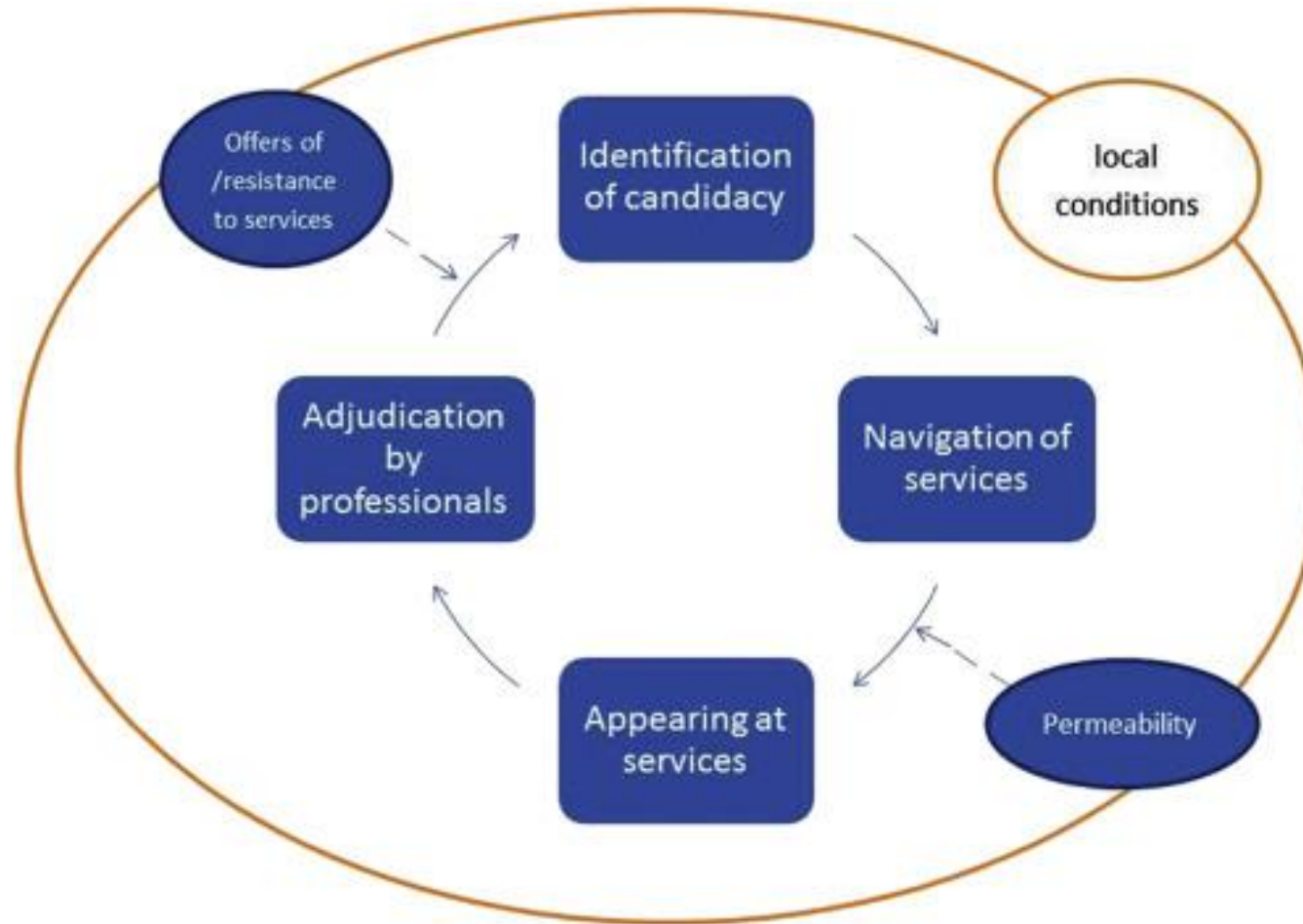
Ability to carry out that work



Treatment Burden

Work clinicians give patients

The Patient Experience: Candidacy



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DNAs and “Missingness”

- Increased risk all cause mortality
 - Particularly in those with mental health issues.¹
- Increased use Outpatient Appointments.²
- Higher hospital admissions.²
- Association low school attendance, exclusion and lower educational achievement.³



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1. McQueenie, R., et al. (2019). "Morbidity, mortality and missed appointments in healthcare: a national retrospective data linkage study." [BMC Medicine](#) **17**(1): 2.
2. Williamson, A. E., et al. (2021). "'Missingness' in health care: Associations between hospital utilization and missed appointments in general practice. A retrospective cohort study." [PLOS One](#) **16**(6): e0253163.
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Missingness

- Patients not feeling an appointment is 'for them'
- Appointments as sites of poor communication
- Power imbalance and relational threat
- Patients being exposed to competing demands, priorities and urgencies
- Issues of travel and mobility
- Absence of choice or flexibility in when, where and with whom appointments take place.



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Conclusion

- Centre patient perspective
- “It’s relationship stupid”
- Community shapes experience
- Consider capacity and work
- Consider Missingness



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The primary care journey and discovery conversations in PCPIP

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Understanding Patient Experience: What we've learned in PCPIP



Patient voice
prioritised



Engagement
built into MoUs



Teams explored
user experience



CEIM used to
listen and act



Today: real
world examples

Why Care Experience Improvement Model (CEIM)?



Focuses on what matters



Uses real stories



Encourages reflection and testing

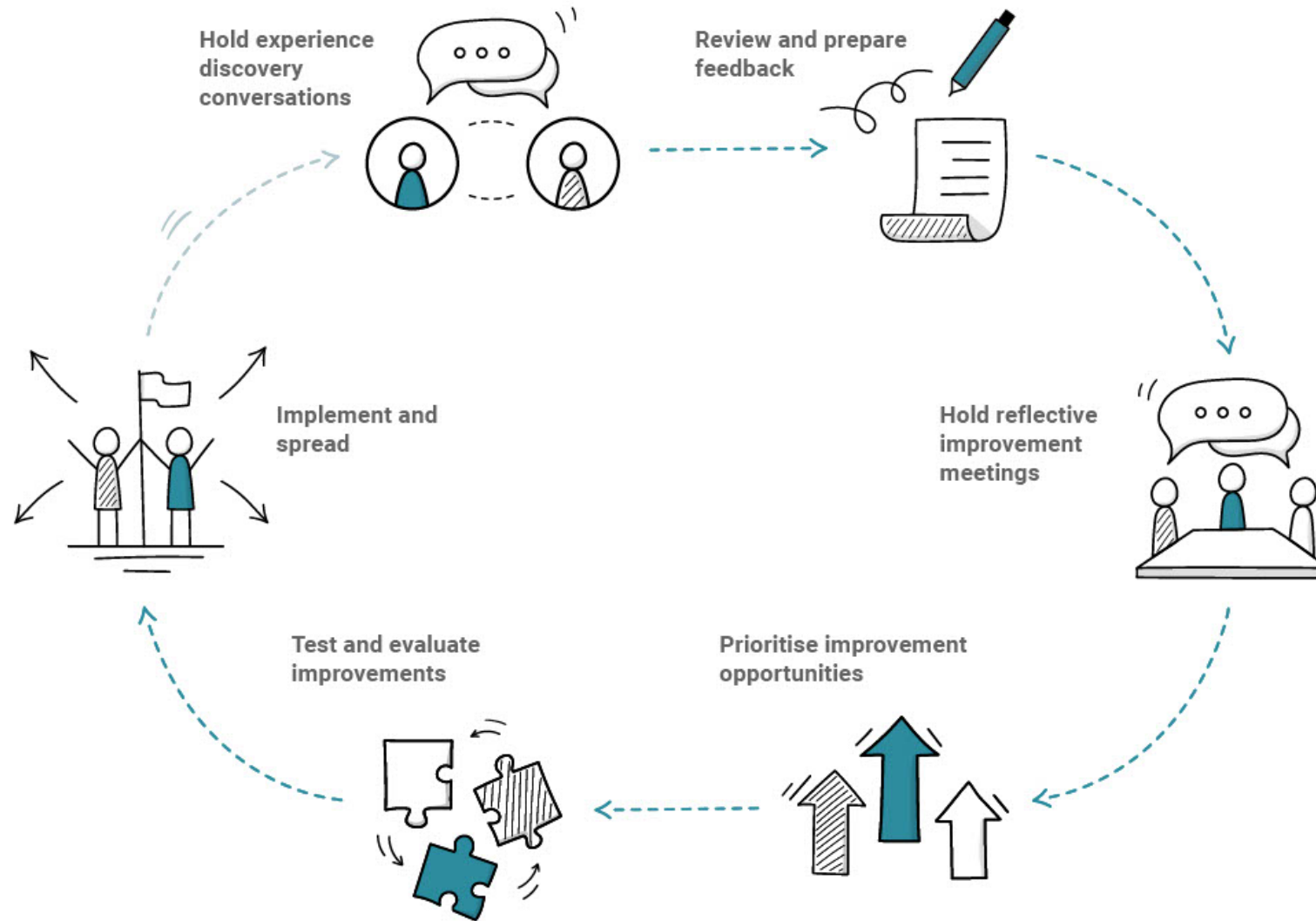


Works in any setting



Turns listening into action

What is CEIM?



Panel discussion



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Poll questions

How helpful was this session for giving ideas about how you might improve patient experiences in primary care?

What key learning or improvement ideas have you gained from the session?



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Closing info

The following resources will be shared after the webinar:

- Webinar recording
- Slide deck
- Q and A sheet
- Further resources information

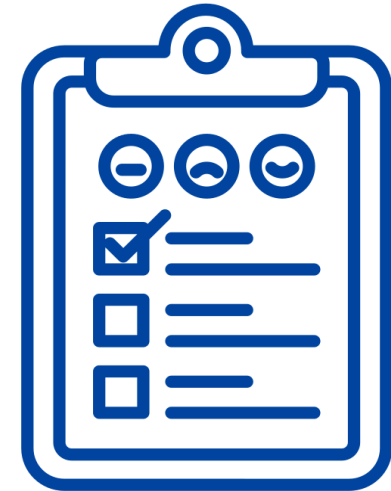


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