Hospital Authority Convention -Development of an Integrated Service in
the Management of Childhood and
Adolescent Depression in Hong Kong

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Clinical attachment in United Kingdom

Attachment period:
 3rd September to 26th October 2012

- Places:
 - Maudsley Hospital, London
 - FACTS team, Prestwich Hospital,
 Manchester





Schedule

- 1st week: Snowfields adolescent unit
- 2nd week: Eating Disorder team, Michael Rutter Centre (MRC)
- 3rd-4th week: Anxiety team, MRC
- 5th week: Mood disorder team, MRC
- 6th week: Lewisham community team, Kaleidoscope
- 7th-8th week: Forensic Adolescent Consultation and Treatment Service (FACTS), Prestwich, Greater Manchester West NHS



Maudsley Hospital



Snowfields Adolescent Unit





Snowfields Adolescent Unit

- 11 in-patient beds and a day treatment services
- For adolescents aged 12-18
- Autistic spectrum disorders, eating disorders, learning disabilities, mood disorders, neurodevelopmental disorders, OCD, psychosis, self-harm/ suicidal attempts
- Care Program Approach (CPA) meetings





Snowfields Adolescent Unit



Michael Rutter Centre





Eating Disorder team



Eating Disorder team

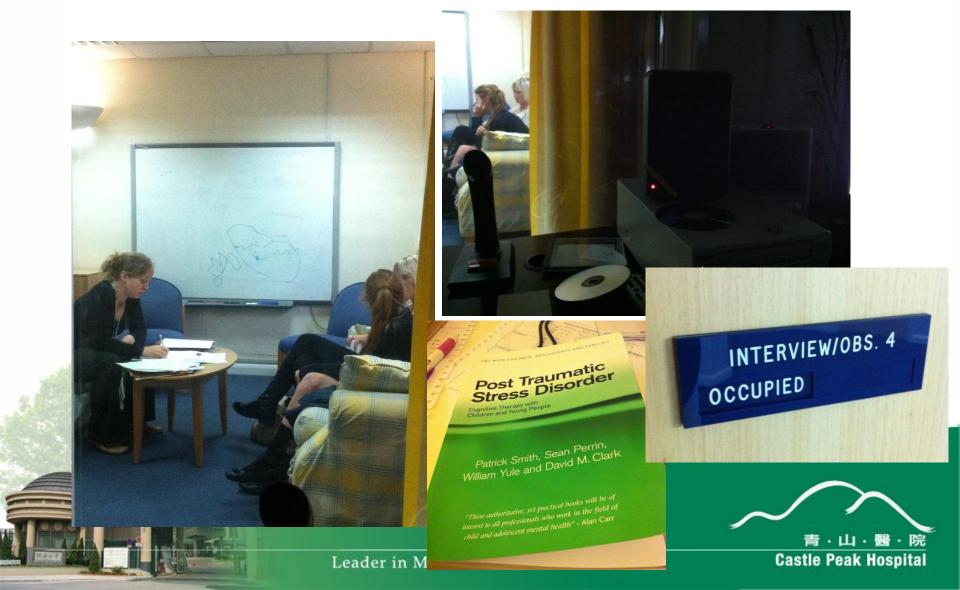
- Out-patient assessment and treatment
- Intensive treatment programme (ITP) for AN and ED-NOS for seven-weeks
- Multi-family therapy (MFT) intensive four-day multi-family workshop and follow-up group meetings for nine months
- Those very severe AN (e.g. BMI under 13 or with physical complications) → King's hospital for pediatric assessment and then transferred to Snowfields Adolescent Unit for in-patient treatment
 - Use of olanzapine and diet supplement

Anxiety team

- Clinical Psychologists only
- If patients need medication, the team would ask the psychiatrists from mood disorder team to do assessment.
- For patients with GAD, separation anxiety disorder, specific phobias, PTSD
- Individual +/- family therapy
- CBT, Interpersonal therapy, trauma-focused CBT for PTSD



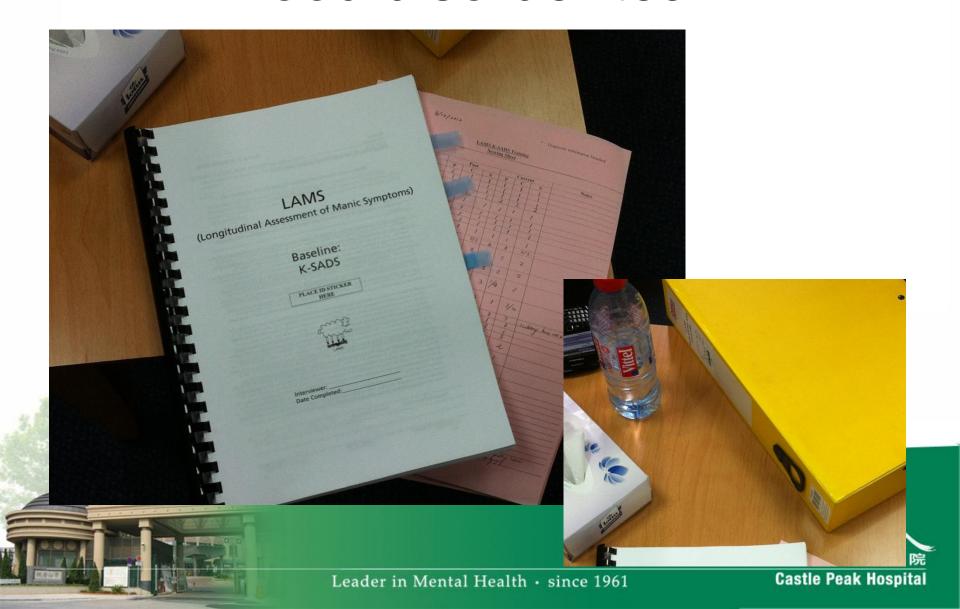
Anxiety team



Mood disorder team

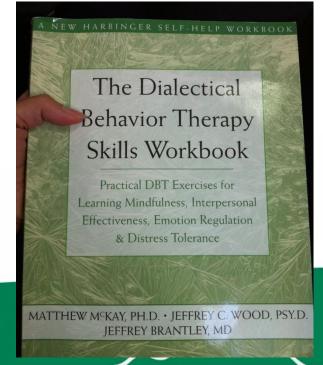
- Depression, Bipolar affective disorder, Dysthymia, Seasonal affective disorder
- Psychological treatment first
- Medication usually used: fluoxetine, sertraline, citalopram
- Mainly out-patient treatment, only those with high suicidal/ self-harm risk require in-patient treatment
- Research (Longitudinal assessment of manic symptoms, LAMS)

Mood disorder team



Teams not covered

- Neurodevelopmental team ASD, LD
- ADHD team
- OCD team
- Conduct disorder team
- Adoption and Fostering Service
- Dialectical Behaviour Therapy
 Service







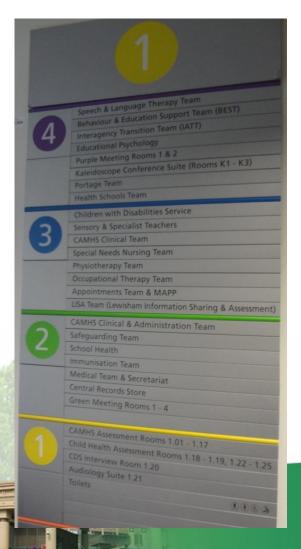


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- General child and adolescent team
- Child abuse team
- ADHD clinic
- Neurodevelopmental team











FACTS team, Manchester



Forensic Adolescent Consultation and Treatment Service (FACTS)

- First adolescent forensic service in UK, established in 1983
- Consultant psychiatrist, nurse specialists, CP, Arts therapist
- OPD assessment
- Community outreach (national service)
- Day hospital service education, group/ individual therapy, 6 patients
- Gardener Unit, in-patient adolescent forensic unit, Prestwich Hospital, max 12 beds

FACTS team

 Redbank adolescent secure unit— medium secure unit, young offenders aged 15-18, or high risk groups such as those running away from home

 Hindley Adolescent Prison and Wetherby Adolescent Prison



FACTS team

- Risk and needs assessment
- Work with Youth Offending Team (YOT) social workers/ probation officers/ mental health service providers and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Court reports
- Treatment in institutions ADHD, depression, self-harm, aggression, sex offenders

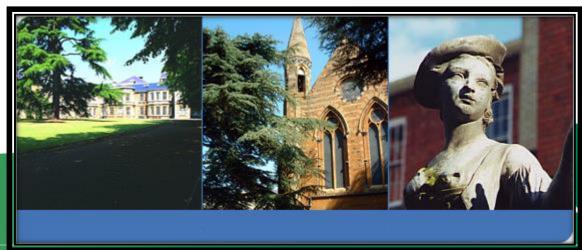




St. Andrew's hospital, Northampton

- Largest forensic unit in UK
- Forensic unit for adolescent and women
- Charitable organization, with some private services such as for patients with dementia, traumatic brain injury etc.





Main differences UK vs. HK

- Structured assessment and use of different assessment tools such as Conner's, SDQ, mood and feelings Questionnaire, Structured Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth
- Emphasize on psychological treatment
- CPA approach
- Risk and needs assessment
- 4 tiers of health system
- Work with caregivers/ parents



Potential modification in HK

Establishment of local assessment/ screening tools and norms
 (e.g. use in consultation-liaison, referral to out-patient clinic, assessment in high risk

groups such as those in forensic setting)

2. Introduction of case managers in child and adolescent psychiatry (e.g. nurses,





Potential modification in HK

- 3. Introduction of Care Program Approach (balance risks vs. needs, involvement of patients and caregivers)
- 4. Strengthening the collaboration with school, Education Bureau, caregivers and other stakeholders (e.g. regular meeting with Educational psychologists, collaboration with school by case managers)

Potential modification in HK

- 5. Development of specialized clinic for depression/ mood disorders (need further input of psychiatrists and allied health staff)
- Training to staff about specialized areas related to depression e.g. eating disorder, anxiety disorder, OCD
 - 7. Work with primary care doctors



Thank you!



