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About

Louise Bentham is an experienced clinical research nurse and project manager with a background in clinical epidemiology, old age psychiatry, learning disability and group work.

Qualifications

- ENB 941: Care of the Elderly, 1991
- Registered Nurse (Nursing & Midwifery Council, UK) 1989
- Programme Officer (NSW Health Department, Australia), 1982
- Registered Nurse (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia), 1979

Biography

Born and educated in Newcastle, Australia, Louise Bentham completed nurse training in New South Wales, obtaining post-graduate qualifications in psychiatry, behavioural techniques and clinical research methodology. Following a move to the UK in 1984, Louise continued post-graduate studies in group facilitation, nursing care of older adults and carer education.

As team coordinator of a multidisciplinary Community Resource Team for older adults in Cambridge, Louise was the recipient of two nursing awards for innovative clinical practice and service development.

In 2002 Louise began working as a research nurse within Public Health, Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Birmingham. There she conducted a regional stroke study case note review, followed by a review of life support training funded by the National Patient Safety Agency. Between 2005 and 2011 Louise project managed the successful BALLETS (Birmingham and Lambeth Liver Evaluation and Testing Strategies) study, funded by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Health Technology Assessment (HTA).

In 2010 Louise became co-grant holder and project manager for the NIHR Research for Patient Benefit funded TRaCKED study. This three year study will employ staff and patient focus groups as well as lean methodology, with the aim of streamlining the process of test result communication in primary care.

Research

- Health service research and development
- Clinical study project management
- Stroke case note review
- Old age psychiatry service development
- Learning disability behavioural programmes

Publications

Arnold DT, Bentham LM, Jacob RP, Lilford RJ, Girling, AJ 2011 Should patients with abnormal liver function tests in primary care be tested for chronic viral hepatitis: cost minimisation analysis based on a comprehensively tested cohort. **BMC Family Practice**; 12 (1):9

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