Academic–Police Partnerships: Evaluating THRIVE systems and Mental Health interventions

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The Better Policing Collaborative

- Received funding from the College of Policing to form
- Launched at Birmingham in April 2014
- Since undertaken two significant contracts
Norfolk / Suffolk Evidence Based Policing

Areas of work:
- EBP Strategy
- Problem identification
- Evidence assessments
- Experiments / Evaluations
- Data analysis
- EBP education
- Responsive element

Partners:
- Nottingham
- Birmingham
- Manchester Business School
- Liverpool
- Suffolk
- Aston
- Crest Analytics
- Skills for Health and Justice
THRIVE systems

- Threat, Harm, Risk, Investigation, Victim/Vulnerability, Engagement – call triage system

- Mixed methods formative evaluation

- Findings identified the factors which supported and undermined the implementation of THRIVE

- Suggestions/recommendations for improvement made and changes made
Police Knowledge Fund

- **Areas of work:**
  - Research and evaluation
  - Developing tools
  - Training
  - Responsive element

- **Partners:**
  - Nottingham
  - Birmingham
  - Liverpool
  - Derby
  - Suffolk
  - Crest Analytics
  - Skills for Health and Justice

- **Police Force Areas:**
  - Dorset
  - Gwent
  - Hertfordshire
  - Kent
  - Lancashire
  - Merseyside
  - Norfolk
  - Suffolk
  - Staffordshire
  - Sussex
  - Warwickshire & West Mercia
  - West Midlands Police
Mental Health Policing Interventions

- Interventions:
  - Staff Embedded in Police Control Rooms
  - Street Triage
  - Liaison and Diversion
  - *Crisis Intervention Teams (USA)*

- Systematic review: To bring together the national and international evidence on all these interventions.

- Evaluation: Support found for interventions locally as well as opportunities to improve services.

- Findings shared with Forces to inform changes
Questions?

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