

NHS Research Scotland Mental Health Annual Scientific Meeting
‘Balancing viewpoints: Rights, Data and Empowerment’

COSLA Conference Centre, Haymarket Yards, Edinburgh, 7th November 2024

9.30	Registration and orientation	
10.00	Dr Donald MacIntyre Welcome	
10.10	Dame Professor Anna Dominiczak Opening address	
10:30	Dr Rob Waller, Kathy Harrison & Dr Elvina Gountouna The challenges and options when using routine data to support mental health research	Session Chair: Nagore Penades
10.55	Professor Deborah Cairns The Scottish Learning Disabilities Observatory: Addressing the health inequalities faced by people with learning disabilities	
11:20	Comfort break and poster presentations	
12.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Roisin Mooney CO-PACT Study • Professor Liz Hughes Understanding how police respond to mental health concerns • Professor Colin McKay SIDMA and capacity – what next? • Graham Morgan Involving people with lived experience of mental ill health in discussions and research around mental health legislation: barriers and solutions <p style="text-align: center;">Followed by a panel discussion</p>	Session Chair: Lucy Mulvagh
Mental Health Act		
1.15	Lunch and poster presentations	
2.15	Dr Thomas Ward Optimising AVATAR therapy for people who hear distressing voices: learning from the AVATAR2 trial	Session Chair: Andy Siddaway
2.40	Dr Premal Shah The explosion in adult ADHD assessment demand - a perfect public empowerment storm?	
3.05	Dr Mark McCann Systems, social networks and mental health	
3.30	Comfort break and poster presentations	
4.05	Dr Veenu Gupta Supporting and Empowering the Lived Experience Workforce: Reflecting on the Past, Being Present, and Looking to the future	Session Chair: Sean Harper
4.30	Dr Donald MacIntyre Poster prizes & closing remarks	