



# Delivery of Interpersonal Psychotherapy (IPT) in Scotland: The Prospect Model

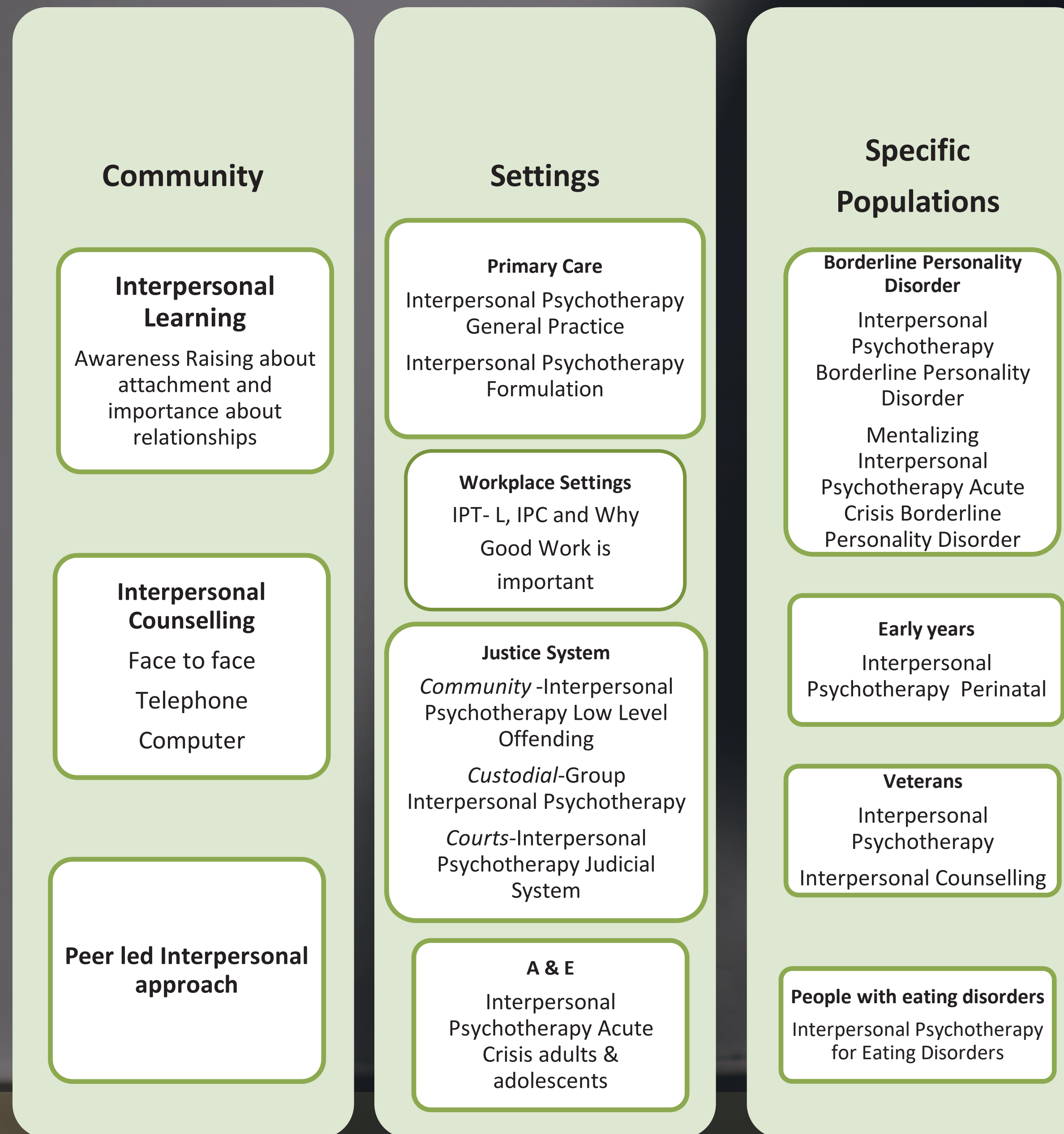
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The Prospect Model (Graham and Irvine 2016) is a matched care model for the provision of the evidence-based 'Interpersonal Psychotherapy' (IPT) for people with differing profiles (symptoms, characteristics and level of need) delivered across a range of settings. IPT is a pragmatic, brief, focused intervention that aims to improve wellbeing and reduce symptoms by improving relationships.

## Progress to date includes the development and adaptations of manualised training and delivery

- Comprehensive **IPT-L** and **IPC** training programme with a specific focus on why work can be good for us -Scottish Parliament workforce
- **IPT** (16 sessions) Major Depressive Disorder - **9 staff trained** to deliver IPT to a Veteran population
- **IPT-Brief** (IPT-B: 8 sessions) Major Depressive Disorder in Primary Care
- **Interpersonal Counselling** (IPC: 6 sessions) face to face and telephone for distress – **89 staff trained**
- **Telephone Interpersonal Counselling** (t-IPC: 6 sessions) staff trained in delivering IPC via the telephone only - **6 NHS 24 staff trained**)
- **IPT Acute Crisis:** (IPT-AC: 4 sessions) **65 staff trained**, NHS Lothian, NHS Fife, and NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. Analyses of RIE cohort to date show a significant reduction in core distress and depressive symptoms after 4 sessions of IPT Acute Crisis and readmission rates are reduced and engagement with treatment is high.
- **IPT: Low Level Offending** (IPT LLO: 12 sessions) for women with depression in contact with criminal justice system.
- **IPT General Practice** (IPT GP) **8 GPs trained** in a 10 minute IPT informed GP consultation
- **IPT Formulation** (IPT-F) a 20 minute IPT Clinical Psychology formulation consultation in Primary Care.
- **Interpersonal Learning:** (IPT-L) a 3 hour workshop for frontline staff - **175 staff trained.**
- **IPT Judicial:** (IPT-JS) Intensive one day intervention for acute distress which halts court proceedings - **6 senior staff** deliver this intervention.
- **(M)IPT AC BPD: Acute Crisis** in those with borderline personality disorder **2 mental health nurses** testing this adaptation
- **Perinatal Informed IPT:** (IPT-PI) Development work on a brief intervention (2-3 sessions) that facilitates social support during the ante and postnatal period.

## Prospect Model of Care: Interpersonal Psychotherapy Key areas for delivery



The Prospect Model elements: low level interventions which are protocol driven interventions aimed at distress; higher intensity interventions which are short-term standardised psychological therapies aimed at more severe lasting illness; and highly specialised interventions which are individually tailored interventions aimed at highly complex/ enduring illness.

## Focus on IPT-Acute Crisis (Delivered in the RIE, ED by Mental Health staff (MH & alcohol liaison nurses: Joyce Follan, Catherine Moar, Claire Bashford & Psychiatry: Dr Vikki Argent)

A characterisation of the cohort was carried out to aid refinement of patient selection, both by improving implementation of existing criteria and advising on additional selection criteria. A predominantly young (mean age=37.32, range 18-66), female demographic was seen.

### 1. Characterisation of the cohort

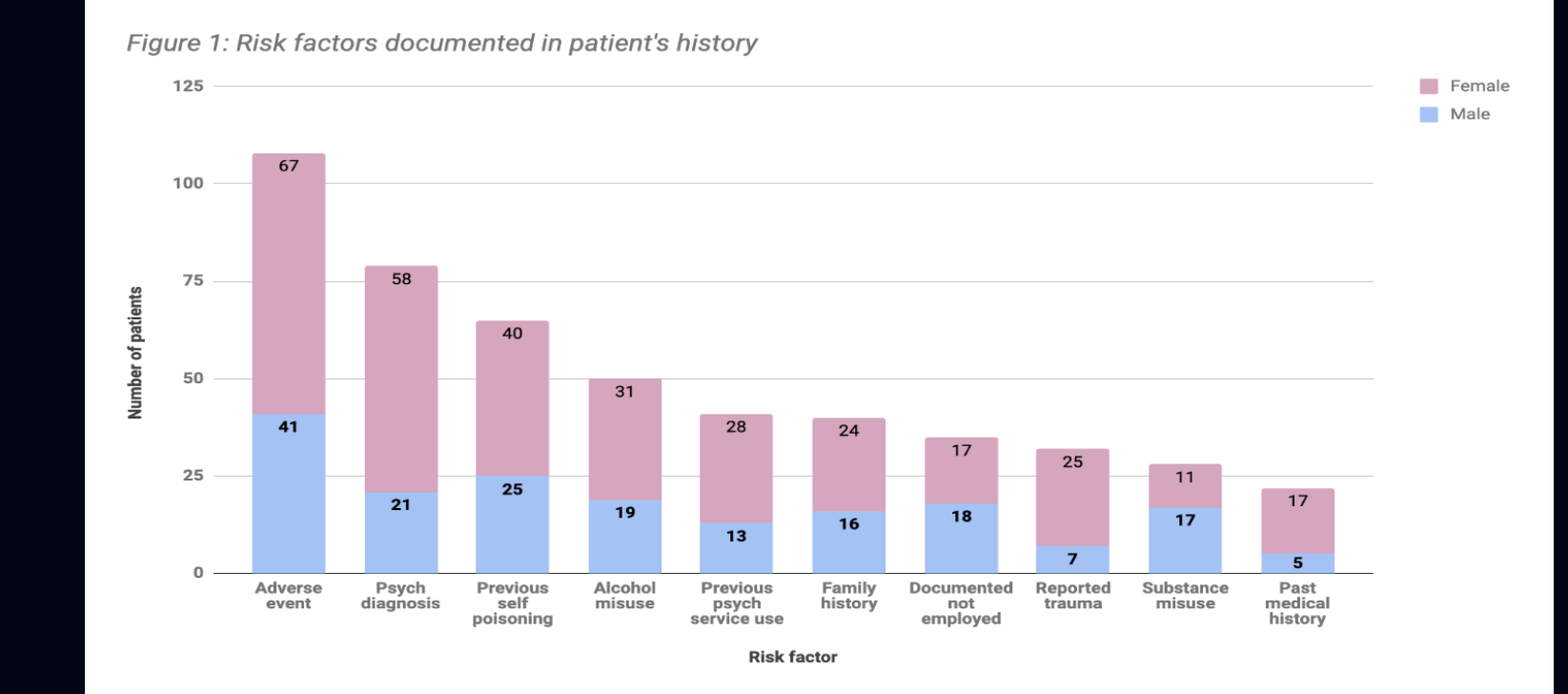


Figure 1 illustrates common risk factors identified in the IPT-AC patient cohort characterisation of 115 patients. Common adverse events included relationship disputes or breakup and family tensions.

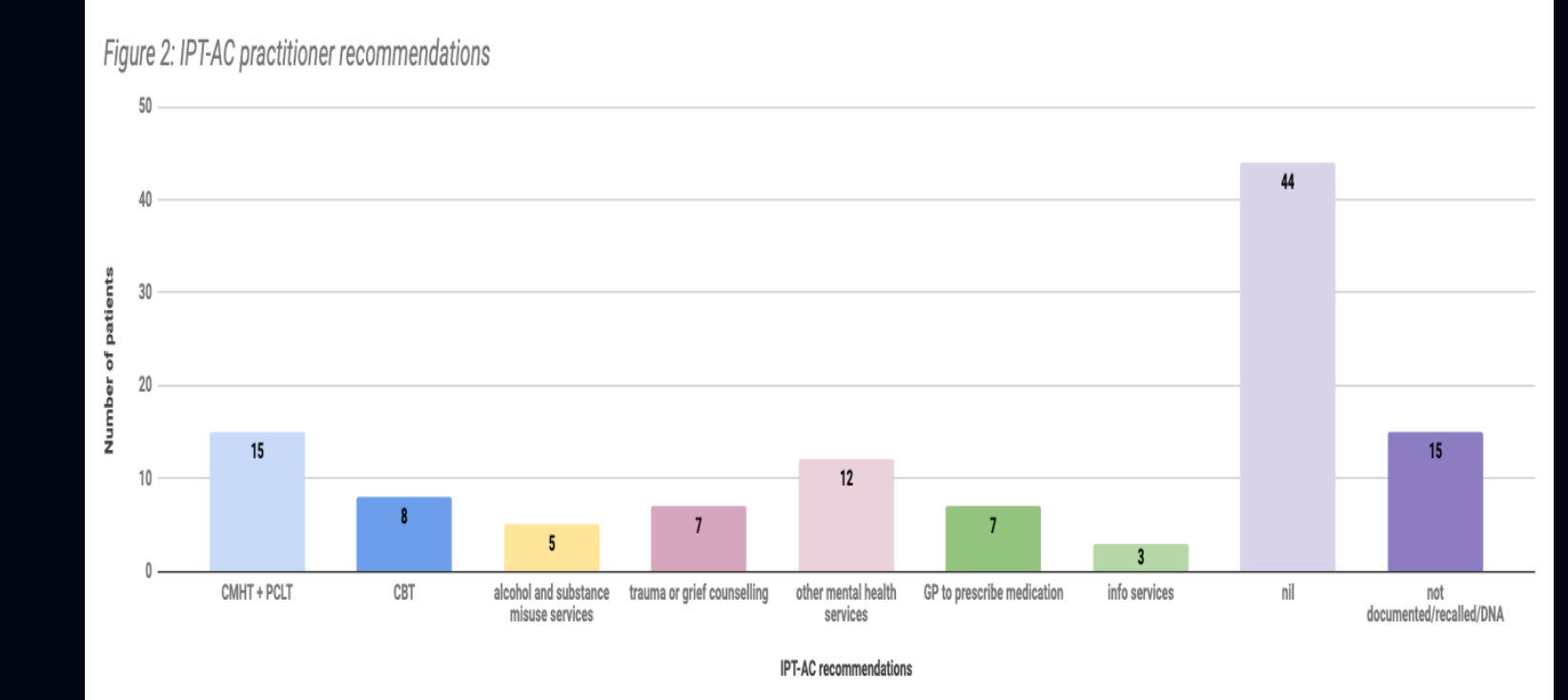
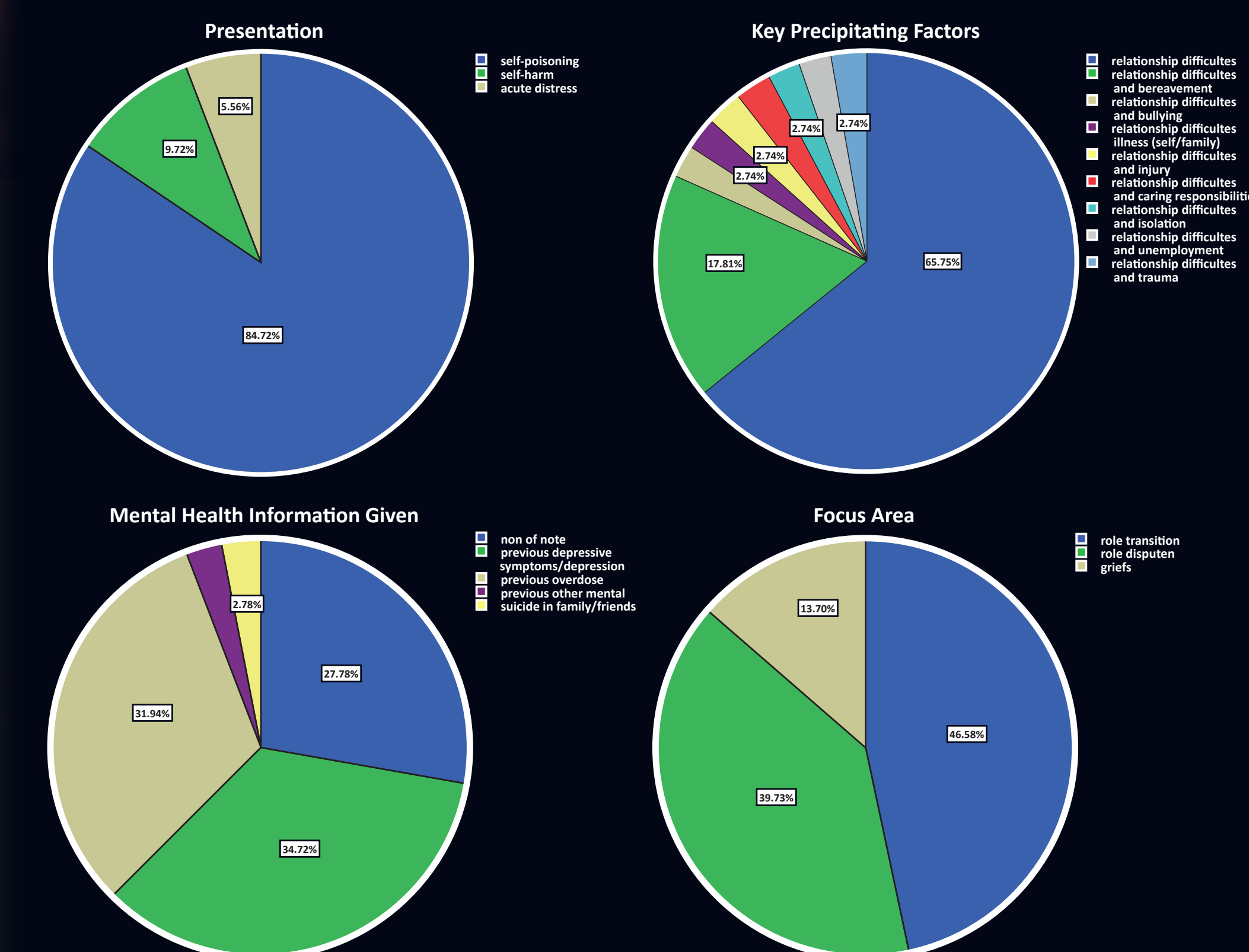
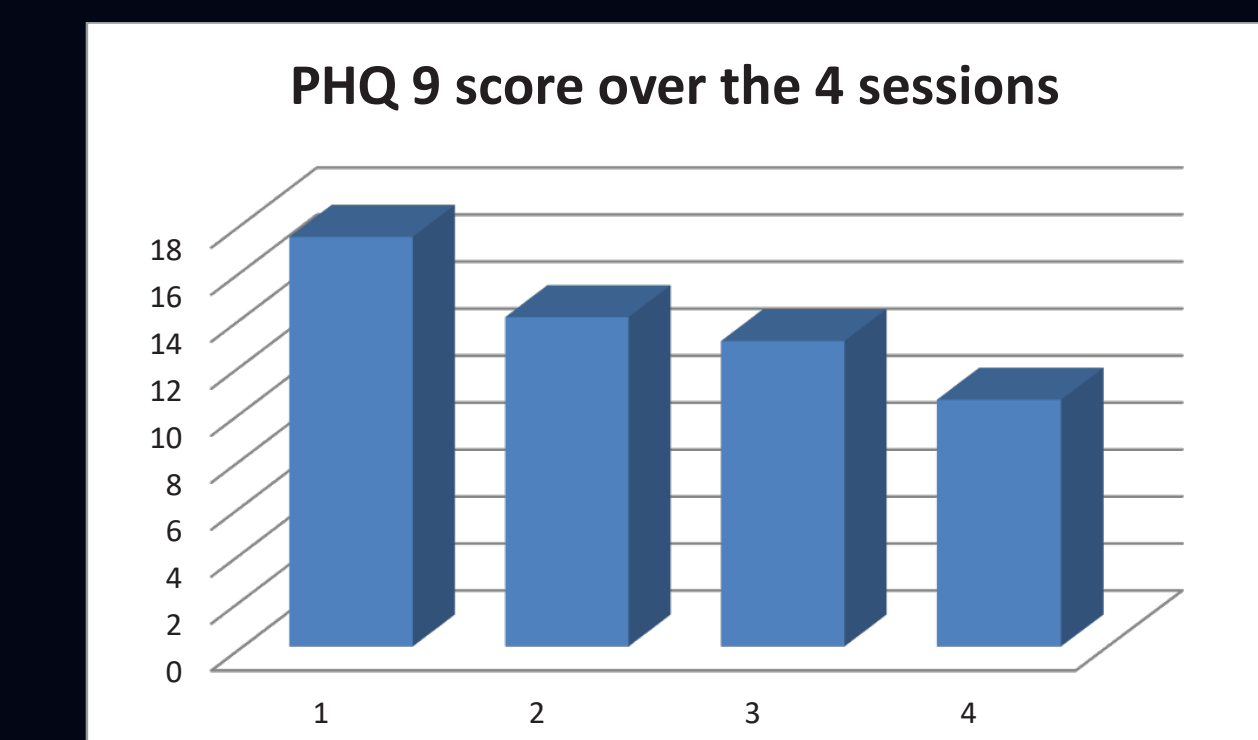
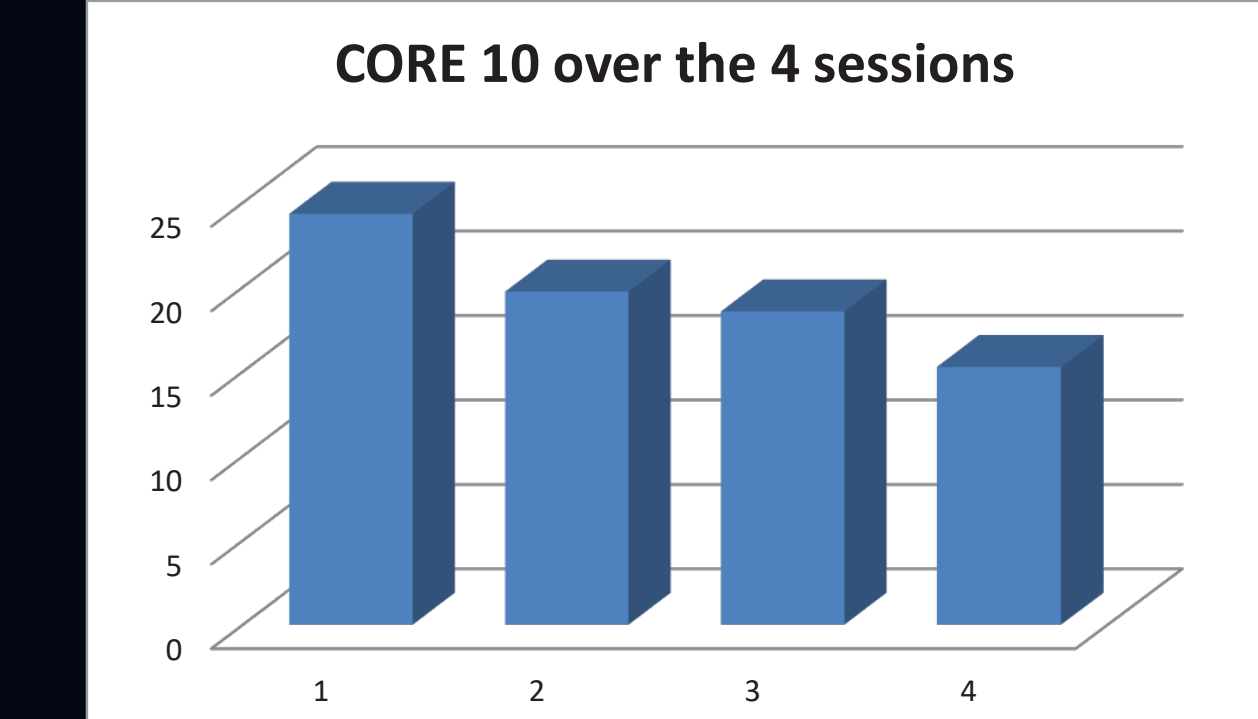


Figure 2 outlines the different branches of mental health services that patients went on to engage with post IPT-AC. 'Other' includes IHTT, stress and anger management etc.

### 2. Data for Patients Completing IPT AC (n=74)

Four sessions of IPT-AC is associated with a significant reduction in depressive symptoms and core distress when pre and post treatment scores compared (Core-10 and PHQ-9, p<0.0001).



The model supports recent policy developments in Scotland: "A Connected Scotland: Tackling social isolation and loneliness and building stronger social connections" (December, 2018); The Scottish Government's Mental Health Strategy 2017 -27; 'A blue print for Scottish General Practice: A strategy for a safe, secure and strong general practice in Scotland' (2015).