

**Scotland Policy Conferences keynote seminar:
Next steps for mental health services in Scotland**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 14th May 2024

*****Taking Place Online*****



Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Chris Wright, National Advisor, Digital Mental Health, The Scottish Government
- 9.05 **The best mental health and wellbeing possible? Where are we and how can we make progress?**
Louise Christie, Director, Scottish Recovery Network
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Stakeholder views on the current state of in-service delivery and next steps for overcoming challenges**
accounting for a rise in demand for services | priorities for provision and utilisation of funding | the role of local authorities | recovering from the impact of COVID | reducing variation | improving patient safety and quality of care
Alex Cumming, Executive Director of Operations, Scottish Action for Mental Health
Colin Davidson, Councillor, Fife Council
Donald MacIntyre, Consultant General Adult Psychiatrist, Royal Edinburgh Hospital
Matt Spencer, Levenmouth Response and Community Inspector
- 10.30 **Examining the role of data in improving service delivery and accessibility**
Mark MacPherson, Audit Director, Audit Scotland
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Chris Wright, National Advisor, Digital Mental Health, The Scottish Government
- 11.00 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rachel King, Portfolio Lead for Mental Health, Healthcare Improvement Scotland
- 11.20 **Key priorities and approaches for tackling stigma and inequalities in access to mental health provision**
Wendy Halliday, Director, See Me
- 11.30 **Developing preventative and community models of care**
high-risk and long-term mental health issues | tackling substance misuse and inequalities | personalised care approaches | long-term planning | moving towards prevention and early intervention | accessibility to care and support within primary care and the community | assessing the role for innovation
Chris Wright, National Advisor, Digital Mental Health, The Scottish Government
Lee Knifton, Director, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, Mental Health Foundation
Professor Jill Stavert, Professor of Mental Health and Capacity Law, Centre for Mental Health Practice Policy and Law Research Lead, Edinburgh Napier University
Fiona McFarlane, Director for Scotland, Place2be
- 11.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Policy priorities going forward and next steps for mental health provision**
Rachel King, Portfolio Lead for Mental Health, Healthcare Improvement Scotland
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks**
Tiernan Phipps, Scotland Policy conferences