

Network News - July

Welcome to **Network News**, our update from the Emerging Minds Network.

And we're halfway through 2020! What a year it has been so far!

We've got some big news to share about the results of our **funding call** as well as some more updates around our Co-SPACE study looking into how families are managing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Funding Call - Results!

Our funding call closed in February and our reviewers were very busy during the lockdown. We were really impressed by the high standards of the 76 proposals which we received and there were some very tough decisions.



We're delighted though that we are now able to introduce the <u>six teams</u> that were successful in our first funding round.

Summer Network Meetings

We are hosting 2 online Emerging Minds Network meetings in July (via Zoom) We'll be hearing from some of the successful recipients of our first Emerging Minds funding call about their research plans. We'll also be hosting a conversation about approaches to research focused on children & young people's mental health during COVID-19 so we look forward to hearing about how you are adapting to the current strange times!



We'll also squeeze in some updates about upcoming Emerging Minds opportunities. Let us know if there is anything else you'd like to discuss, really hope you can join us.

<u>Monday 20 July 12 midday – 1pm</u> <u>Wednesday 22 July 12 midday – 1pm</u>

Please email Emily at info@emergingminds.org.uk if you have any questions.

Co-SPACE - Update

We have published the fourth update from Co-SPACE, our study which seeks to understand how families are managing during COVID.

We have found the following:

Over a one-month period in lockdown:

- Parents/carers of primary school age children taking part in the survey reported an increase in their child's emotional, behavioural, and restless/attentional difficulties.
- Parents/carers of secondary school age children reported a reduction in their child's emotional difficulties, but an increase in restless/attentional behaviours.
- Adolescents taking part in the survey reported no change in their own emotional or behavioural, and restless/attentional difficulties.
- Parents/carers of children with Special Educational Needs (SEN) and those with a pre-existing mental health difficulty reported a reduction in their child's emotional difficulties and no change in behavioural or restless/attentional difficulties.

Another episode of the podcast!

We hosted a webinar in partnership with the Mental Elf which is now available as our podcast, <u>Practical Parenting in the Pandemic</u>. The aim of the session was to share some of the findings from the University of Oxford's Co-SPACE (Covid-19 Supporting parents, adolescents and children during epidemics) study.

As well as hearing from Prof Cathy Creswell, Dr Polly Waite and Dr Pete Lawrence, we were also delighted to be joined by Eshal Sajid. She is a teenager who has completed her own research project on how adolescents are getting on during the pandemic and she kindly agreed to share her findings.

These podcasts and other related-resources are now available in our <u>Resources for Families and Supporters</u> section of our website - please do take a look!





Resources & information to support children and young people



Shine Webinars

Shine has run a series of <u>webinars</u> on supporting child and young adult mental health.

Topics include attachment, sleep and self-harm.

Opportunities for researchers, practitioners, young people and families



Madolescence, Digital Technology and Mental

Health: practitioners survey

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They are exploring young people's digital technology use and how this can support service delivery. They are keen to hear from those working in statutory and nonstatutory services.

Please spare 20 mins to complete their questionnaire.

All responses eligible to be entered into a £50 prize draw.



Research Call: Peacebuilding and Resilience in an era of global health challenges: a bilateral research call to enhance understanding and support for mental health challenges in Colombia

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) and the Science, Technology and Innovation Projects CTeI of national affairs (Minciencias) are pleased to announce a <u>bilateral call</u> between researchers in the UK and Colombia. This call invites internationally competitive and cross disciplinary research projects, that aim to enhance the evidence base on understanding and addressing the mental health challenges facing post-conflict societies in Colombia.

For more information and to download the related documents, please visit here



Pre-call announcement: Scientific Leadership and Delivery Team to deliver an Early Life Cohort Pilot

The Economic and Social Research Council (part of UK Research and Innovation) are pleased to issue a pre-call announcement for the appointment of a Scientific Leadership and Delivery Team to develop and deliver an Early Life Cohort pilot study.

For more information on the call, please visit <u>here</u>. You can also register your interest via the <u>webform</u>.



Closing the Gap Summer 2020 Funding call

The Closing the Gap Network are hosting their second round of funding as they seek to support new interdisciplinary research to help understand and reduce the health gap for people with severe mental ill health.

They are particularly seeking applications from people who work in Arts and Creativity.

For more details and to download the application materials, please visit here.

They will also be hosting a <u>webinar via Zoom</u> to provide more information on **Tuesday 21 July** at **1.30pm**. Those interested in applying are strongly encouraged to attend.



JLA-PSP in Children and Young People's Mental Health: Moving Forward

The McPin Foundation and the James Lind Alliance published a Priority Setting Partnership identifying Research Priorities in Children & Young People's Mental Health. They are now seeking to facilitate research arising from this.

eNurture Second Funding Call



<u>eNurture</u> is inviting applications to its second Network+funding call.

They are inviting applications for funding in the following primary thematic areas:

- · A Focus on Families: The Digital World
- A Focus on Schools/ Peers: The Digital World
- New Practice Models: Families and Schools
- Policy, Legal and Regulatory Frameworks

For more information and to download the supporting documentation, please visit here.

TRIUMPH Funding Call - Closing Soon



TRIUMPH is inviting applications from transdisciplinary teams to conduct research to improve youth mental health through a public health approach.

Applications must focus on at least one of the <u>TRIUMPH</u> <u>Network Themes</u>, and target young people aged 10-24 years.

Visit their Funding Page for more details.

Deadline 31 July 2020



VAMHN Small Grant Competition Launch

The UKRI Violence, Abuse and Mental Health Network have launched their second funding call for small projects up to £25k, on the theme of violence, abuse and mental health.

Applications are welcomed from a broad range of disciplines and the network expect the meaningful involvement of survivors and of third sector organisations within all applications.

Applications are now open and close at **5pm** on **11 December 2020**.

Full details on how to apply, including FAQs and call specifications, can be found here.

Information on projects funded via the first funding can be found here.

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