



We are delighted to launch our Special Interest Research Groups. These are a fantastic new set of collaborations developed and coordinated by network members and it's very easy to get involved!

We recently surveyed our members and you told us you wanted opportunities to make connections across the network. Do take a look and find out more about the groups, we hope there is opportunity that's of interest to you.

Each Special Interest Research Group (SIRG) is organised by a coordinating team including researchers, young people, practitioners, parents, carers, and charity partners, and they aim to facilitate new research studies in priority areas.

Every SIRG is open to new members, individuals and organisation partners.

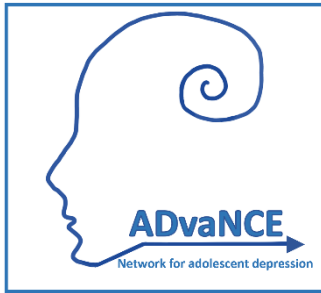
If you are interested in research related to any of the group themes, or if you want to find out more, share your expertise or collaborate, take a look and get in touch!

Introducing the Special Interest Research Groups

Check out the introduction videos and information on the Special Interest Research Group webpage.

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/join-a-sirg>





ADvaNCE: Adolescent Depression - Network to Consolidate Expertise

This group is passionate about reducing adolescent depression and hopes to advance interventions and co-design solutions that can be readily implemented across settings.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-adolescent-depression-advance/>



BRIDGE: Building Research Implementation Develop and Grow Evidence-based Practice in children and young people's mental health

This group aims to bring together a wide group of stakeholders to advance how relevant research and evidence can inform clinical practice to benefit those in need.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-bridge-building-research-implementation-to-develop-and-grow-evidence-based-practice-in-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health/>



Being Seen and Heard: Identifying the research priorities for children affected by parental mental illness

This group aims to raise awareness of the impact of mental illness on children through bringing together the views and experiences of families and professionals.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-identifying-the-research-priorities-for-children-affected-by-parental-mental-illness/>



Improved Access to Treatment Choices for Children and Young People with Multisensory Hallucinations

This group plans to identify research priorities for improving understanding, support and care for those with multisensory hallucinations by integrating learning from a range of sources.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-improved-access-to-treatment-choices-for-children-and-young-people-with-multisensory-hallucinations/>



Eating Disorder Health Integration Team's (EDHIT) Young Voices

The vision for this group is to have young voices from all backgrounds and communities exploring and creating sound eating disorder research, prevention strategies and service development.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-eating-disorders/>



Empowering young people around their mental health

The project's aim is to develop a geographically diverse, UK wide, collaborative network of groups, working with young people to explore the following two questions:

- What do young people need in order to take responsibility for their own mental health?
- How does society support young people to take this responsibility?

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-empowering-young-people-to-take-responsibility-for-their-own-mental-health/>



Children with language and communication difficulties mapping the ways to research and support their mental health

This group's mission is to help fast track research on the impact of children's language and communication needs on their mental health.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-language-and-communication-needs-in-mental-health/>



The impact of live music engagement in improving mental health and wellbeing in children and young people

This group will explore live music engagement and mental health and how we can ensure that all children and young people get the opportunity to experience live music to support their mental health and wellbeing.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-the-impact-of-live-music-engagement-in-improving-mental-health-and-wellbeing-in-children-and-young-people/>



Embracing complexity in neurodevelopmental conditions & mental health

This group addresses the research gap in preventing and treating mental health conditions among people with neurodevelopmental conditions.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-embracing-complexity-in-neurodevelopmental-conditions-and-mental-health/>



Neurodiversity in higher education

Transition to higher education can often be challenging for neurodiverse young people. This group aims to establish a network of neurodiverse students and researchers to collaboratively set the emerging research agenda.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-neurodiversity-and-young-peoples-mental-health-in-higher-education/>



Parental Wellbeing and Support for parents of young people with mental health problems (PAWS)

This group aims to set research priorities, raise the profile of this issue and link people together as well as to coordinate new work.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-parent-support-wellbeing/>



Crucial conversations on youth mental health and racism

This research network aims to better understand and reduce the impact of racism on youth mental health, with the goal of shaping and developing research in partnership with young people, community organisations, researchers as well as policy-makers.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-crucial-conversations-on-youth-mental-health-and-racism/>



Creative Therapy to Support Young People Engaged in Self-harm

This group aims to push forward research in the field of creative-based therapies for young people engaged in self-harm.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-creative-therapy-to-support-young-people-engaged-in-self-harm/>



Social Photography

This group brings together a cross-disciplinary group including young people to facilitate conversations about social media photography and young people's mental and physical health.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-social-photography/>



Understanding harm due to child & young adult mental health services

This group will explore harm in child and youth mental health services, including areas such as: diagnosis, treatment, communication, and the structural healthcare system.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-understanding-harm-due-to-child-and-young-adult-mental-health-services/>



YPii_DMH (Young People's Involvement in Digital Mental Health)

This group aims to help shape the direction of involvement and increase opportunities for young people in developing, evaluating and implementing Digital Mental Health.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-young-people-involvement-in-digital-mental-health/>



Youth voice in & against crisis discourse

This group is beginning a multi-media youth-led inquiry into understanding how young people's voices can sometimes be lost when adults talk of crisis and crises.

Find out more & join:

<https://emergingminds.org.uk/special-interest-research-group-youth-voice-in-and-against-crisis-discourse-pasts-presents-futures/>