



UKRI Mental Health Platform PPIE Network Webinar



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Webinar presentations
recorded

Shared with those signed up



Direct questions to
the chat during talks



Q&A at the end
recorded but not
shared

Any issues, use the Q&A function – recording will be available later



Agenda

Welcome	Andrew McIntosh, Director
Mental Health Platform and PPIE	Sophie Quick, MHP Communications Manager
Lived experience at the heart	John Gibson, Senior service user researcher, PPIE Steering Group member
Upcoming opportunities for involvement	Susannah Strong, PPIE Coordinator
Q&A (~30 mins)	Q&A function

Welcome

Andrew McIntosh, Director



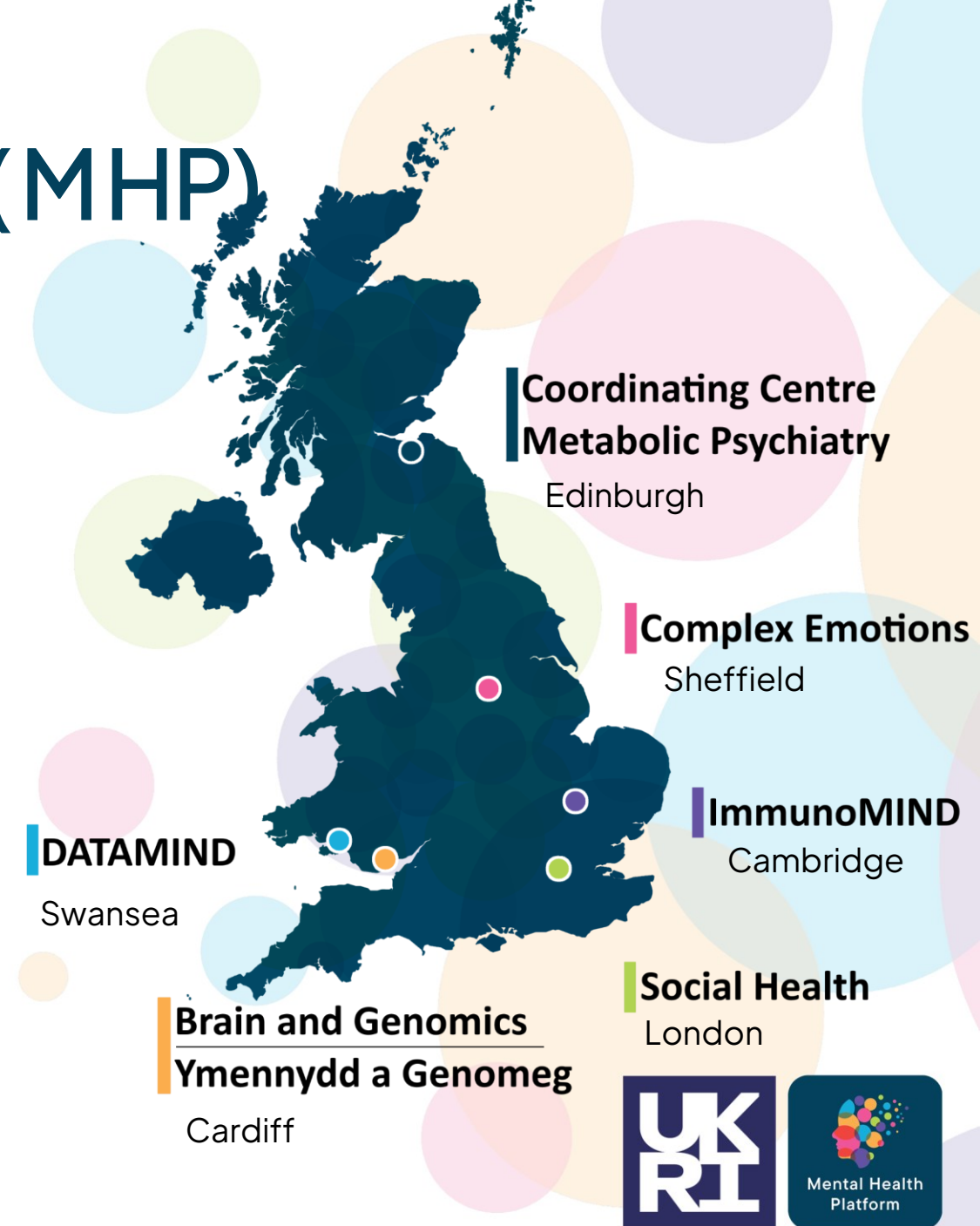
Mental Health Platform

Sophie Quick, Communications Manager



Mental Health Platform (MHP)

- ❖ UK-wide network of researchers investigating severe mental illness (SMI)
- ❖ Hubs across the UK
 - Collaborating sites for each Hub
 - Co-ordinating Centre



What do the Hubs focus on?



Brain and Genomics

Genetic, environmental and developmental factors of SMI



ImmunoMIND

New immune and metabolic targets for novel therapies for SMI



Complex Emotions

Guidance for better care and support for people with experiences of SMI and complex emotions.



Metabolic Psychiatry

Link between SMI and metabolic disorders like diabetes or obesity



DATAMIND

Discovery, use and sharing of mental health data for public benefit.



Social Health

Non-medical factors influencing SMI, including how people are born, grow, work, live, and age.



Professor James Walters
Cardiff University



Professor Scott Weich
Sheffield University & NHS Trust



Professor Ann John, Swansea University
Professor Robert Stewart, Kings College London



Professor Ed Bullmore
University of Cambridge



Professor Daniel Smith
University of Edinburgh



Professor Jennifer Lau
Queen Mary University London

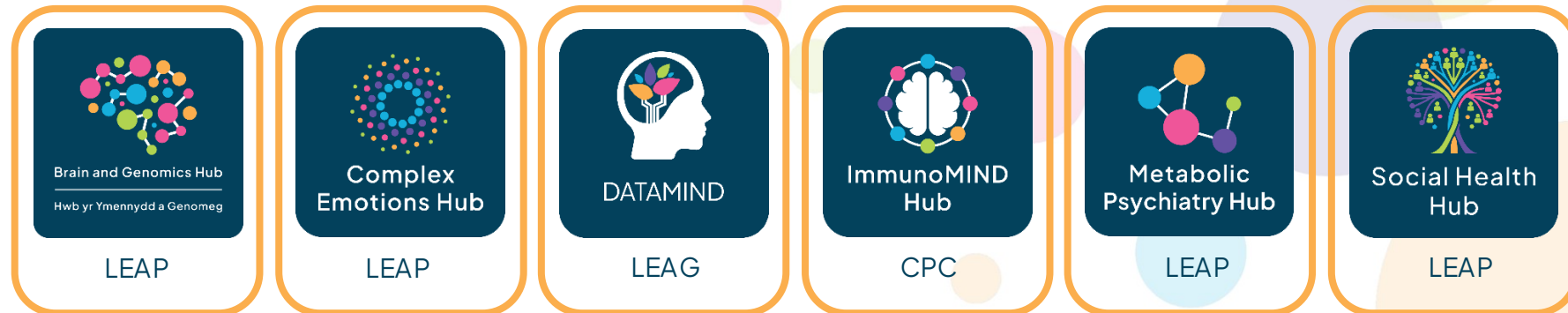


MHP PPIE Steering Group



Beginning the MHP PPIE

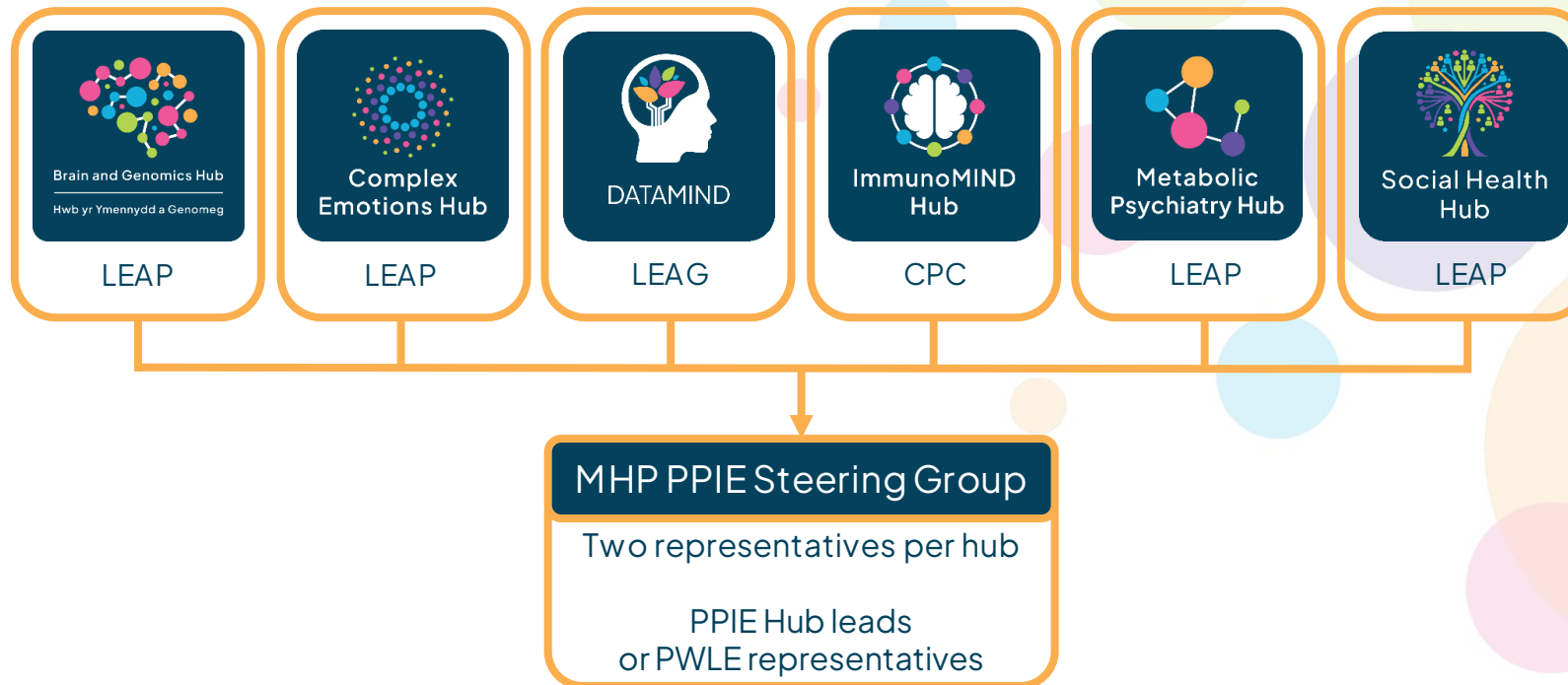
- ❖ Putting lived experience at the heart
- ❖ Each Hub has their own PPIE group
- ❖ McPin Foundation guidance



MHP PPIE Steering Group

❖ MHP Steering group

- Two representatives from each Hub
- First meeting January 2025



Meet the Group

- ❖ United by lived experience
- ❖ Diverse by life experience
 - SMI researchers
 - Ex-trader from Wall Street
 - Charity leader from South Africa
 - Visual artists
- ❖ Strategic input
- ❖ Contributing to specific projects



Example projects



Industry Alliance Forums



- ❖ Starting the conversations between Industry, researchers and people with lived experience
- ❖ In-person meetings shaped with Steering Group members

Awards Review Committee

❖ Researchers applying for funding

❖ PPIE plans reviewed by Steering Group members

UK Research and Innovation

UKRI Mental Health Platform (MHP) Collaboration and Innovation (C&I) PPIE Awards Review Process and Scoring Criteria

The MHP Collaboration and Innovation Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement (PPIE) Awards support partnerships between MHP PPIE representatives, enabling joint efforts to explore emerging research opportunities and pilot new ideas.

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UKRI Mental Health Platform (MHP) Collaboration & Innovation (C&I) PPIE Awards - Application Form

This application is only valid to apply to MHP C&I Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement (PPIE) Awards. Please consult the MHP website, the MHP website C&I PPIE Awards and the MHP Privacy Policy before submitting your application.

Part 1 - PPIE Applicant details
The applicant is encouraged to nominate additional co-leads rather than listing only themselves as the sole lead. However, this is not a mandatory requirement.

Lead PPIE Applicant:

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First Name	Ben
Last Name	Murphy
Current role	Research Fellow
Organisation name (if applicable)	Social Health Hub, Queen Mary University of London
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Collaborators (Complete this section if applicable. You may copy the table as many times as needed to list multiple Collaborators)

Title	Dr
First Name	Brad
Last Name	Shaw
Current role	Research Programmes Lead

Part 2 - Project Information

Project Title	Amplifying Voices: Co-creating Inclusive Data Practices for People with SMI
Start Date*	01/06/2024 - 31/05/2027 (24 months)
End Date and length (months)	31/05/2027
Total Cost to Funder at proposed	£1,300
Hubs involved (must include at least 2 hubs, choose more if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brain and Genomics <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complex Emotions <input type="checkbox"/> DATA/MIND <input type="checkbox"/> ImmunoMIND <input type="checkbox"/> Metabolic Psychiatry <input type="checkbox"/> Social Health

Please list all institutions involved in the project (if applicable): Queen Mary University of London, MHP Mental Health Research

Please indicate the funding theme applicable (must address at least one theme, choose more if applicable):
 Improving PPIE best practice
 Evaluating PPIE impact
 Enhancing understanding of people with SMI
 Swansea Mental Health (SMH)

*Note: Project start date must be within six (6) months of the decision being made and within one month of the contract being signed (start of the awards process).

Please provide a Plain English summary containing:
The plain English summary should be written in simple terms that a member of the public can understand. It should allow the reader to understand the aims and outcomes of the project, why it is important, how the research will be conducted by involving at least two Hubs and addressing at least one of the funding themes. Applicant must include enough detail to allow lay reviewers to review and score the application.

If successful, this summary will appear on our website (max 300 words).

This project brings together people with severe mental illness (SMI), researchers, and mental health organisations to improve how digital mental health data is collected and used. Many people with SMI feel unsure, worried, or left out of studies that use digital data. This can be because information is hard to understand, privacy feels unclear, or taking part does not feel accessible or supportive.

To help change this, we will run a series of friendly, co-designed workshops where people with lived experience can share their views and talk about what makes digital data research feel safe, respectful, and meaningful. These discussions will help us understand the barriers people face and what good involvement should look like.

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Lived experience at the heart

John Gibson, senior service user researcher,
MHP Steering Group member; johngibson@mcpin.org

Social Health
Hub



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My roles: Working with Lived Experience

- Senior service user researcher at McPin, working on RCTs (clinical trials & qualitative studies)
- Patient and Public Involvement/PPI Co-Ordinator in Social Health hub
- Work with several Lived Experience Advisory Panels (LEAP)
- PPIE Steering Group representative in mental health platform



Strengths and Skills

Empathy

Connection

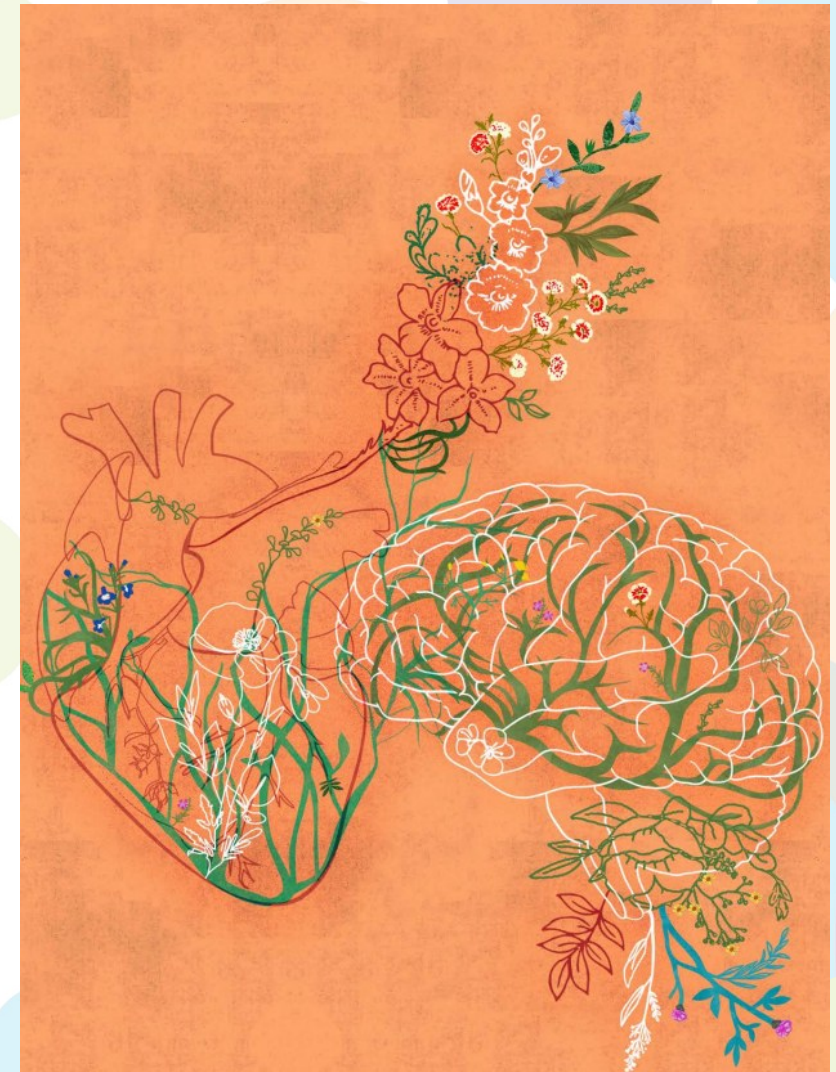
Curiosity

Communication

Inclusivity

Motivation

Being a 'critical friend'



*Valuing Vulnerability – created by
Kremena Dimitrova and Raj Hazzard*

Social Health
Hub



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More useful skills

- Self awareness
- Boundary setting
- Managing disclosure
- Respecting different views and experiences
- Reflection
- Resilience



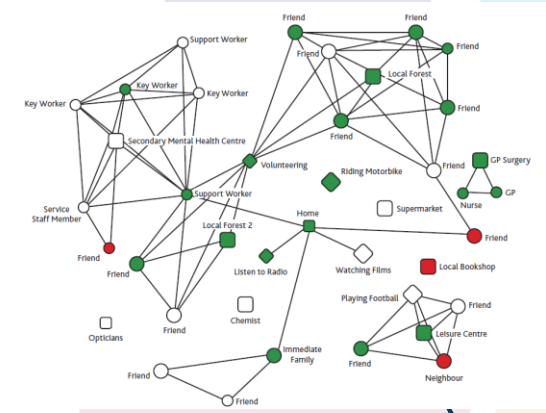
Part of using lived experience is being able to ask difficult questions, but to do that in a sensitive and compassionate way. It's about gently challenging others' mindset and building bridges."



Bridge between worlds – created by Kremena Dimitrova and Raj Hazzard

Social Health Hub

- Led by Professor Jennifer Lau, Queen Mary, University of London
- Focused upon the “social” (relationships, finances, housing, green spaces)
- Strengths and asset-based approaches, a quality-of-life focus
- Using innovative methods including:
 - Building a cohort of research participants to explore social health (inc. network maps)
 - Data science – geographers building models with us
 - Having nested studies – such as walking ethnography with a peer researcher
 - Bio-marker studies included



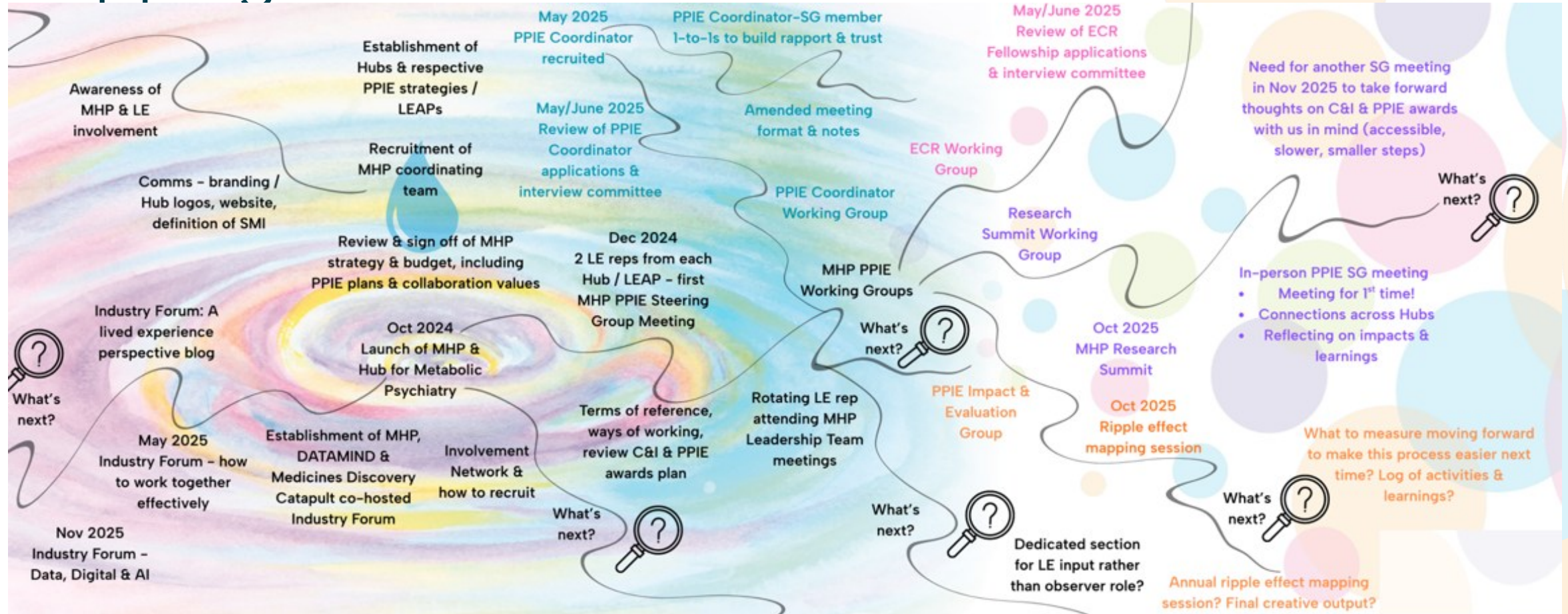
Social Health Hub: Impact of LEAP involvement

Some examples:

- Informing and directing choice of measurement tools
- Testing mobile phone data processes
- Reviewing draft website
- Co-delivering hub launch event – including walking tour, icebreaker session
- Developing a strategy for participant recruitment and retention, and communication materials for implementation

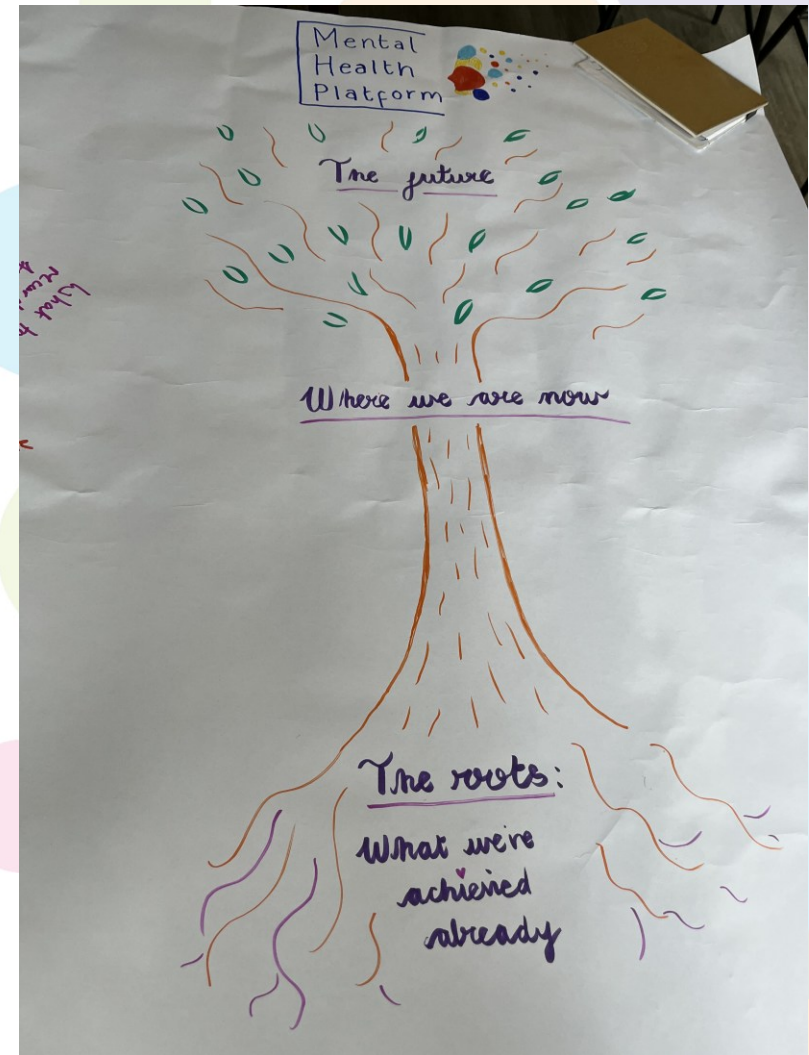


PPI&E Platform Steering Group: Ripple mapping



Where next?

- Social Health hub will recruit new LEAP partners in the next year – network members can apply.
- Interested in McPin and involvement opportunities – sign up to receive our bulletin
- More opportunities in the Platform (more on that from the team)



Upcoming opportunities

Susannah Strong, PPIE Coordinator



Upcoming opportunities

Complete the
Interests
Survey

Write a blog
post for the
MHP website

Join MHP
Award Review
Committees

Complete the Interests Survey

Share your views and interests about Industry alongside researchers and industry professionals

- ❖ All can participate
- ❖ Not remunerated
- ❖ Link to survey shared this week - open now until 19th June



Write a blog post for the MHP website

Interview an MHP researcher and write a short blog from a lived experience perspective

- ❖ Up to 3 people can participate
- ❖ Remunerated: 1 hr interview with researcher, 2 hrs writing
- ❖ Expression of interest form shared after meeting

Join MHP Award Review Committees

Review the PPIE section of research grants

- ❖ Up to 3 PPIE representatives per Award
- ❖ Remunerated
- ❖ Future round scheduled for this and next year



Thank you

Time for Q&A

