The human dimensions of homecare following a stroke: experiences of older family carers from diverse ethnic groups

Dr Nan Greenwood (St George’s, University of London)

After a stroke, many people need support in their own homes both from their families and from care workers. We interviewed 50 family carers from five different ethnic groups to learn about their experiences of homecare. Our findings suggested that Black and Minority Ethnic and White British groups share many experiences of homecare although language and cultural difference may exacerbate common pressures and stresses. The framework for humanising care is a useful framework for evaluating aspects of homecare that are responsive to dignity and diversity.

Occupational Therapy in Homecare Re-ablement Services (OTHERS)

Dr Phillip Whitehead (University of Nottingham)

Homecare re-ablement services have been widely implemented by local authorities in England, although there are widespread variations in relation to occupational therapy (OT) input into them. The OTHERS study comprised three strands: a systematic review, qualitative interview study, and feasibility randomised controlled trial (RCT). The RCT compared an OT intervention with a routine care control. This presentation will focus on the results of the feasibility RCT and discuss some of the challenges of conducting an RCT in a social care setting.

Where

The forum will be held in The Cabinet Room in the Policy Institute, 1st floor of the Virginia Woolf Building, King’s College London, 22 Kingsway, London WC2B 6LE (nearest station: Holborn).

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If you would like to attend this forum please book a place by e-mailing Laura Cole at laura.cole@kcl.ac.uk. Places are limited, so please book before 31st January 2017.