

Faculty of Old Age Psychiatry

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Strategic aims for 2017

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Increase **awareness** of mental health in **older people**

Raise the **Profile** of our **Faculty** making it the GO-TO place for **Mental Health for Elderly**

Our Key Activities

Depression

- Develop Primer on Older people's mental health with NHSE for GPs and health professionals to increase awareness
- Writing joint report with British Geriatric Society on Depression in care homes
- Encourage use of two stage screening questions for high risk group

Dementia

- Working with anaesthetists on guidance on management when patients have dementia
- Provided input into Alzheimer's Society guidance for people with dementia
- Put in place new therapies lead to ensure the Faculty is ready for any developments

Delirium

- Delirium awareness video
- Holding delirium awareness events
- Supporting world Delirium Day



Policy implementation

- Working with NHSE, The Welsh, Northern Ireland and Scottish assemblies
- Providing oral and written evidence to ensure the mental health needs of older people are considered

Collaboration

- Age UK
- Royal Pharmaceutical Society & Care England
- Joint conference with British Geriatric Society
- Work with medical schools and Trainers to raise awareness of older peoples mental health

Public Engagement

- Raising awareness in articles in national papers, TV and radio
- Periscope joint event with British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy and Silver Line to raise awareness
- Started to develop Mind Ed – web based site on mental health in older people for carers and patients and care staff

Promoting mental health and wellbeing of older people and their families



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