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PRESENT POSITION : Director of the Association for Dementia Studies, University of Worcester.

HIGHEST ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION : PhD

PROFILE OF MEMBER:

Qualified as a clinical psychologist 1984. Working now in an academic post, her work is grounded in practice experience gained from a variety of clinical and leadership roles in services for older people dating back to this time. She was influenced by the late Professor Tom Kitwood in his work on personhood and malignant social psychology. Following Kitwood's death she was invited to take his work on Dementia Care Mapping forwards at the Bradford Dementia Group at the University of Bradford. In 2005 she was awarded a personal chair in recognition of her scholarship in practice development of person-centred care for people with dementia. In May 2009 she took up her current post as the Director of the University of Worcester Association for Dementia Studies where she leads a team dedicated to improving the lives of those living with dementia.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

I enjoy working at the interface between the experience of those living with dementia, those developing care practice and those undertaking research to ensure that there is real knowledge exchange and translation between these different world-views. I am internationally recognised for scholarship in practice development of person-centred dementia care and I have a track record of leading multi-method evaluations of complex interventions across health, social care and third sector service delivery.

My recent research includes: developing practice in person-centred approaches for people living with dementia at home, in care homes, hospitals and housing; the development of Care fit for VIPS and Stand by me toolkits; understanding the role of care culture and how to impact change; providing alternatives to anti-psychotic medications; the Enriched Opportunities Programme; early intervention and dementia friendly communities. I was the UK academic lead for work funded by an EU Joint Action on developing evidence based recommendations on timely diagnosis as part of the ALCOVE programme. I was also the UK lead on a JPND programme (ESRC funded in UK) to implement and evaluate the Dutch Meeting Centres for people with dementia and their carers across Europe that completed last year. I am currently supporting the longer-term roll-out of Meeting Centres as a means of delivering effective post-diagnostic support for people affected by dementia. I am the Worcester lead for the Alzheimer's Society Doctoral Training Centre TANDem which was established in partnership with the Nottingham University from 2015. This provides funded PhD research studentships in the area of Arts Creativity and Dementia. I am currently Principal Investigator on an implementation research project into Namaste Care for people living with advanced dementia and I have also just been awarded a grant to undertake a Realist Evaluation of place-based Post-Diagnostic support programmes.

KEY PUBLICATIONS (Max. 5):

Brooker, D., Evans, S.C., Evans, S.B., Bray, J., Saibene, F.L., Scorolli, C., Szcześniak, D., D'Arma, A., Urbańska, K., Atkinson, T., Farina, E., Rymaszewska, J., Chattat, R., Henderson, C., Rehill, A., Hendriks, I., Meiland, F. and Dröes, R.M. (2018) Evaluation of the implementation of Meeting Centres Support Programme: The impact on people living with dementia in Italy, Poland and UK; exploration of the effects on people with dementia. *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*, 33; 883-892

Brooker, D., Evans, S.B. and Dröes, R.M. (2017) Framing outcomes of post-diagnostic psychosocial interventions in dementia. *Working with Older People*, Vol. 21 Iss 1.

Mangiaracina, F., Chattat, R., Farina, E., Saibene, F.L., Gamberini, G., **Brooker, D.**, Evans, S.C., Evans, S.B., Szcześniak, D., Urbanska, K., Rymaszewska, J., Hendriks, I., Dröes, R.M., and Meiland, F.J.M. (2017) Not Re-inventing the Wheel: The Adaptive implementation of the Meeting Centres Support Programme in four European countries. *Aging and Mental Health*, Vol 21, No. 1, pp. 40-48.

Brooker, D. & Latham, I. (2016) *Person Centred Dementia Care 2nd Edition: Making services better with the VIPS framework*. London, Jessica Kingsley Publications.

Brooker, D. & Surr, C. (2016). Person-centred care and Dementia Care Mapping. In N.A. Pachana (ed.), *Encyclopedia of Geropsychology* Springer Science+Business Media Singapore DOI 10.1007/978-981-287-080-3_93-1.

RELEVANT RESEARCH ACTIVITY:

Please indicate for past 5 years only (i) Grants Awarded: Names of investigators; Years; Title of Project; name of awarding agency (ii) PhD and other projects: Title, start or completed date.

- Brooker D.**, Evans, S. B. & Watts, M. (2018-2021) UK Meeting Centres Support Programme. Big Lottery Fund. £587,601
- Brooker D.**, Evans, S. B. (2018-2020) Realist evaluation of sustainable community based support for people and families affected by dementia. Alzheimer's Society Grant. £155,000
- Brooker D.**, Evans, S. B. (2017-2018) Rethinking Respite. Older People's Commissioner Wales. £15,000
- Brooker D.**, Baker, C., Dibble, R., Dibble, R., Baines, D. (2016-2019) Delivering Excellent Care Every Day for People Living with Advanced Dementia: Namaste Care Intervention UK. Alzheimer's Society Implementation Research grant. £389,555
- Brooker, D.**, Schneider, J., Dening, T., Evans, S., Tischler, V., Peel, E., Griffiths, A., and Bradley, E. (2015-2019) TANDem: Nottingham-Worcester Alzheimer Society Doctoral Training Centre on arts-based activities and interventions for people living with dementia, Alzheimer's Society, £349,999
- Brooker, D.**, Carter, C. and Dutton, G (2015-2016) Refreshing and embedding the Admiral Nursing Competency Framework. Dementia UK, £48,744
- Brooker, D.** (2014) Development of Alzheimer Society Guidelines for the Assessment of Continuing Health Care Status of people with dementia, Alzheimer's Society, £8,150
- Brooker, D.**, Evans, S., Atkinson, T. Jutlla, K., (2014-2015) Promoting cultural competency in the domiciliary care workforce supporting people living with dementia, Department of Health, £28,063
- Dröes R-M., **Brooker, D.**, Orrell, M. Chattat, R. Rymaszewska, J. (2013-2016) MEETINGDEM : Adaptive Implementation and Validation of the positively evaluated Meeting Centres Support Programme for people with dementia and their carers in Europe. EU JPND (ESRC), €1,199,819
- Brooker, D.**, Sutton, M., Kessie, B and Maccreavy, S. (2013-2014). Co-production development of e-Learning version of the *Stand by Me* Education Package for good communication in dementia care. Department of Health, £60,000
- Brooker, D;** Evans, S; The Evaluation of the RCN Foundation development programme 'Transforming dementia care in hospital' Royal College of Nursing, £22,000, 2013-14
- Young J, Woolley R, Godfrey M, **Brooker D**, Surr C, Hoyle J, Hood C, Manley K, Arrojo F, Padilla-Lamb A. (2013-16) *A multi-site evaluation of the Person, Interactions & Environment (PIE) tool to improve person-centred care for people with dementia admitted to acute hospital wards.* National Institute for Health Research, Service Delivery Organisation Grant, £442,979
- Brooker, D.**, Atkinson, T & Bray J. (2011-2012) Prime Minister's Challenge on Dementia: The evaluation of the Schools Intergenerational Project. Department of Health, £30,000
- Brooker, D.**, Evans, S., La Fontaine, J. Read, K. & Jutlla, K. (2012-2015) At Home with Dementia: the development and evaluation of a holistic model of service provision to support carers and families of those living with dementia. RSAS Age Care, £80,539
- Brooker, D.**, Evans, S., La Fontaine, J. & Moore, D. (2012-2014) Implementation and field testing of Focused Intervention for Training of Staff (FITS) programme in 150 early adopter care homes. Alzheimer's Society Research grant, £223,618
- Brooker D.**, Evans, S. & La Fontaine, J. (2011-2013) Comparison and recommendations for best practice in improving early diagnosis for people with dementia across European Union member states. Department of Health EU Alcove programme, £148,715
- Killett, A., Bowes, A., **Brooker, D.**, O'Neill, M., Burns, D., La Fontaine, J. & Kelly, F. (2011-2013) PANICOA Care Homes study: In depth examination of care culture. DoH & Comic Relief – Policy Research Programme (NHS) grant, £551,407
- Young J, **Brooker D**, Brown A, Cheater F, Farrin A, Forster A, George J, Green J, Hulme C, Hurst K, & Siddiqi N. (2009-2014) An investigation of the Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP) system of care in the NHS to prevent delirium. NIHR Programme Grant, £1,950,000

PhD Current Projects:

Russell, C., *Sport, Identity and Dementia: The value(s) of sport/leisure pursuits to identity formation and socialisation processes through the onset of dementia.* University of Worcester, Director of Studies 2016-2019

Veale, A., *Tailoring Arts Interventions to Individual Needs in Dementia: delivery of arts activities and individual difference (what works for whom)* University of Worcester (TAnDem), Director of Studies 2015-2018

Broome, E. *The effect of care staff engagement with creative arts activities on the wellbeing of care home residents with dementia: An intervention study.* University of Nottingham (TAnDem), Advisor, 2015-2018

Latham, I., *Learning to care: An ethnographic study of how care workers in care homes learn to care for people living with dementia.* University of Worcester, Institute of Health & Society, Director of Studies 2012-2018

Herz, M., *And then there were three: A qualitative exploration of incorporating a live-in care-worker into the home of a couple where one spouse has dementia in Israel,* University of Worcester; Advisor, 2012-2018, Funded by Alzheimer's Society of Israel (in conjunction with Tel Aviv University)

Yemm, H. *Knowledge and understanding of cognitive impairment in older adults,* Current; Director of Studies, University of Worcester 2012-17 funded studentship

Milosevic, S. *The use of personal budgets to improve the quality of life and health for people with dementia and their families living in rural areas.* University of Worcester, Institute of Health & Society, 2011- 2015

HOW DO YOU INTEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERDEM:

Joint projects, funding bids, papers, expert groups and exchange placements