



INTERDEM MEMBERS – BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT POSITION (e.g. Director of): Reader in Dementia Research

HIGHEST ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION (e.g. PhD, MD etc.): PhD - Dementia Care, University of Leeds

YEAR OF PHD QUALIFICATION: 2017

PROFILE OF MEMBER: My work primarily focuses on using qualitative research, including ethnography, to improve care and support for people living with dementia with a particular focus on physical health care. This includes improving healthcare in general hospitals, primary care and, more broadly, for multiple long-term conditions alongside dementia. I am a mental health nurse by background, but have worked in applied health research for over 20 years, primarily with a focus on dementia care. I have led, worked on or supervised a large number of research projects in dementia care.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE: Ethnography, qualitative research, physical healthcare for people with dementia, social care, epidemiology, multiple long-term conditions alongside dementia.

KEY PUBLICATIONS (Max. 5):

- Kelley, R. Surr, C. Russell, G. et al., (2025) Influential Factors when Making Decisions About Dementia Medications in Memory Assessment Services; a Focused Ethnography and Interview Study. *Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry and Neurology*. 39 (2) 145-160
- Featherstone, I. Johnson, M. Sheldon, T. Kelley, R. et al., (2025) Delirium prevention in hospices: Opportunities and limitations – A focused ethnography. *Palliative Medicine*. 39 (3) 391-400.
- Collinson M, Mason E, Kelley R, et al., (2022) Characteristics and general practice resource use of people with comorbid cancer and dementia in England: a retrospective cross-sectional study. *BMC Primary Care*. 23: 281.
- Kelley R, Godfrey M. & Young, J. (2021) Knowledge exchanges and decision-making within hospital dementia care triads: an ethnographic study. *The Gerontologist*. 61 (6) 954-964.
- Ashley L, Kelley R, Griffiths A, et al., (2020) Understanding and identifying ways to improve hospital-based cancer care and treatment for people with dementia: an ethnographic study. *Age and Ageing*.

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.

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CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS/ONGOING PROJECT TITLE:

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HOW DO YOU INTEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERDEM:

I am a member of the Palliative and End of Life Care Taskforce, and a former member of the Interdem Academy. I have attended several Interdem meetings previously. I would be very interested in becoming more involved in the work of interdem.

GRANTS AWARDED IN LAST 5 YEARS:

Surr, C. Latham, I. Gousia, K. Taylor, N. Kelley, R. Mikelyte, R. Devi, R. Parveen, S. Allan, S. Turner-Berry, F. Smith, N. Jones, L. Stokes, G. Murphy, J. Smith, S. (2026-2029) Effective workplace learning environments in care homes: Developing, implementing and evaluating a model and implementation toolkit. NIHR Health and Social Care Delivery Research £1,600,231

Bradley, C. Surr, C. Tang, F. Taylor, N. Kelley, R. Burke, S. Baker, C. Singha, D. Flippance, S. Ang, L. Co-located nurseries in care homes: exploring the impact of intergenerational practices on residents with dementia NIHR Research Programme for Social Care £249,744

Kelley, R. Surr, C. Bagnall, A. Taylor, N. Handley, M. Ninan, S. Shorthouse, T. & Milner, E. (2024-2025) Understanding and optimising hospital outpatient services for people living with dementia: an ethnographic and intervention development study. NIHR Research for Patient Benefit £249,744

Ashley, L., Surr, C., Kelley, R., Neal, R., Humphrey, S., Hopkinson, J., Jones, D., Spencer, K., Andrews, M. & Walsh, M. (2023-2024) Understanding and identifying ways to optimise cancer recognition, referral, and management for people with dementia in primary and community care. NIHR Research for Patient Benefit £153,461

Kelley, R. & Surr, C. (2022-2023) Developing a guide for informal carers of people living with dementia. Health Education England £19,800

Featherstone, K., Northcott, A., Mwale, S., Wyatt, M., Boddington, P., Vougioukalou, S., Harden, J., Kelley, R., Series, L., Harrison Denning, K. & Crowther, G. (2022-2024) Understanding the everyday use of restrictive practices in the care of people living with dementia during a hospital admission. NIHR Health Services and Delivery Research £1,053,221

Hughes, H., Davis, M., Crowther, G., Kelley, R. & McKay, A. (2021-2022) Applying computer modelling, simulation and socio-technical systems analysis to improve NHS dementia care outcomes. Leeds University Business School Challenge Fund £26,000

Smith, S., Kelley, R., Griffiths, A., Knapp, P., Kennedy, M., Dickinson, R., Russell, G., Crowther, G., & Walsh, M. (2020-2022) Effective communication of pharmaceutical treatment uncertainty in Memory Assessment Services. NIHR Research for Patient Benefit £149,169

PHD STUDENTS LAST 5 YEARS:

PhD Thesis: Dodsworth, H. Management of osteoporosis in care home residents (2025 - present; full-time)

DClin Psychology Doctoral Thesis: Own, H. Service users and families' experiences of culturally adapted dementia assessments. (2022-2025)

PhD Thesis: Butterworth, L. Improving patient transport services for people living with dementia (2020-present; part-time)

PhD Thesis: Crossland, J. Support for family carers when a relative with dementia moves into a care home (2019-2026; part-time)

PhD Thesis: Platt, R. Acute cancer care for people with comorbid cancer and dementia: An ethnographic study (2019-2026; part-time)