

AAI Research Networking Day

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 The York Medical Society
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Programme

9:30 – 10:00	Arrivals & Refreshments	
10:00 – 10:15	Welcome & Introduction to the day	Dr Elena Ratschen, Prof Daniel Mills & Dr Emily Wood
Talks (& Questions)		
10:15 – 10:28	<i>AAI for University students - results from a feasibility study</i>	Dr Emily Wood University of Sheffield School of Health and Related Research (SchARR) Mental Health Unit
10:28 – 10:41	<i>AAI – what works? Longitudinal RCT with school children in mainstream and special educational needs schools</i>	Prof Kerstin Meints (with Victoria Brelsford, Mirena Dimoraleva & Dr Elise Rowan) University of Lincoln School of Psychology College of Social Sciences
10:41 – 10:54	<i>Interim results from the PEDRO study (RCT on effect of hearing dogs on the life of their humans)</i>	Prof Bryony Beresford University of York Social Policy Research Unit (SPRU)
10:54 – 11:07	<i>Swimming with dolphins in Virtual Reality: the psychological benefits for adults with additional needs</i>	Georgia Smith University of Stirling Department of Psychology
Coffee Break		
11:25 – 11:38	<i>The Bracknell Forest Community Dogs council project</i>	Hayley Stimpson AAI Services Development Advisor Dogs for Good (DfG)
11:38 – 11:51	<i>Therapeutic animal visits within the hospital setting</i>	Matthew Robinson National Project Coordinator Pets as Therapy (PAT)
11:51 – 12:04	<i>'Don't forget the animal in animal-assisted interventions' – a talk on animal welfare in AAls</i>	Prof Daniel Mills University of Lincoln School of Life Sciences College of Science
12:04 – 12:17	<i>Dogs Helping Kids' three year training and assessment programme – why this is essential for the welfare and safety of each of our School Dogs; how recent media attention could affect dogs in schools</i>	Tracey Berridge Founder & Chief Executive Dogs Helping Kids (DHK)
12:17 – 12:30	<i>Standards for AAI provision: an update on national and international developments</i>	Peter Gorbings Chief Executive Dogs for Good (DfG)

Lunch & Networking		
13:15 – 13:30	<i>AAI research in the UK - where we are at, and where we could go. Setting the scene for the afternoon sessions</i>	Dr Elena Ratschen University of York Department of Health Sciences Mental Health & Addictions Research Group
13:30 – 14:45	Workshop Session: Interdisciplinary AAI research – current and future opportunities & challenges	All delegates Facilitators: Elena Ratschen, Daniel Mills, Emily Wood, Kerstin Meints & Trevor Sheldon
Coffee Break		
15:00 – 15:45	Structured summary feedback from Workshop Sessions Plenary discussion: Where do we go from here? Exploring next steps	All delegates & facilitators
15:45 – 16:00	Summary & Close of Day	Elena Ratschen & Daniel Mills

