

Quality assessment							Number of patients		Effect		Quality	Importance
Number of studies	Study design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	Liaison worker model	no liaison worker	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute (95% CI)		
Mental health (follow up: 39 weeks; assessed with: Strength and Difficulties Questionnaire)												
1	randomised trials	very serious ¹	not serious	not serious	serious ²	none	14	-	-	SMD 1.12 SD lower (1.95 lower to 0.29 lower)	⊕○○○ VERY LOW	CRITICAL
Quality of life (service user) – not reported												
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Community participation and meaningful occupation – not reported												
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Problem behaviours – not reported												
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Carer quality of life – physical (follow up: 39 weeks; assessed with: SF-12-physical)												
1	randomised trials	very serious ¹	not serious	not serious	serious ²	none	14	-	-	SMD 0.8 lower (1.6 lower to 0)	⊕○○○ VERY LOW	IMPORTANT
Care quality of life – mental (follow up: 39 weeks; assessed with: SF-12-mental)												
1	randomised trials	very serious ¹	not serious	not serious	very serious ³	none	14	-	-	SMD 0.26 fewer (1.03 fewer to 0.51 more)	⊕○○○ VERY LOW	IMPORTANT
Carer mental health (follow up: 39 weeks; assessed with: General Health Questionnaire-30)												
1	randomised trials	very serious ¹	not serious	not serious	very serious ³	none	14	-	-	SMD 0.11 fewer (0.88 fewer to 0.66 more)	⊕○○○ VERY LOW	IMPORTANT

1. Risk of selective outcome, performance, and detection bias
2. Confidence intervals cross one minimally important difference. Sample size less than optimal information size (<400 for continuous outcomes or <300 for dichotomous outcomes).
3. Confidence intervals cross two minimally important differences. Sample size less than optimal information size (<400 for continuous outcomes or <300 for dichotomous outcomes).