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[Intervention Review]

Self management interventions for type 2 diabetes in adult people with severe mental illness

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ABSTRACT

Background

People with severe mental illness are twice as likely to develop type 2 diabetes as those without severe mental illness. Treatment guidelines for type 2 diabetes recommend that structured education should be integrated into routine care and should be offered to all. However, for people with severe mental illness, physical health may be a low priority, and motivation to change may be limited. These additional challenges mean that the findings reported in previous systematic reviews of diabetes self management interventions may not be generalised to those with severe mental illness, and that tailored approaches to effective diabetes education may be required for this population.

Objectives

To assess the effects of diabetes self management interventions specifically tailored for people with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness.

Search methods

We searched the Cochrane Library, MEDLINE, EMBASE, PsycINFO, the Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature (CINAHL), the International Clinical Trials Registry Platform (ICTRP) Search Portal, ClinicalTrials.gov and grey literature. The date of the last search of all databases was 07 March 2016.

Selection criteria

Randomised controlled trials of diabetes self management interventions for people with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness.

Data collection and analysis

Two review authors independently screened abstracts and full-text articles, extracted data and conducted the risk of bias assessment. We used a taxonomy of behaviour change techniques and the framework for behaviour change theory to describe the theoretical basis of the interventions and active ingredients. We used the GRADE method (Grades of Recommendation, Assessment, Development and Evaluation Working Group) to assess trials for overall quality of evidence.

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Main results

We included one randomised controlled trial involving 64 participants with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. The average age of participants was 54 years; participants had been living with type 2 diabetes for on average nine years, and with their psychiatric diagnosis since they were on average 28 years of age. Investigators evaluated the 24-week Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART) programme in comparison with usual care plus information (UCI). Follow-up after trial completion was six months. Risk of bias was mostly unclear but was high for selective reporting. Trial authors did not report on diabetes-related complications, all-cause mortality, adverse events, health-related quality of life nor socioeconomic effects. Twelve months of data on self care behaviours as measured by total energy expenditure showed a mean of 2148 kcal for DART and 1496 kcal for UCI (52 participants; very low-quality evidence), indicating no substantial improvement. The intervention did not have a substantial effect on glycosylated haemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) at 6 or 12 months of follow-up (12-month HbA1c data 7.9% for DART vs 6.9% for UCI; 52 participants; very low-quality evidence). Researchers noted small improvements in body mass index immediately after the intervention was provided and at six months, along with improved weight post intervention. Diabetes knowledge and self efficacy improved immediately following receipt of the intervention, and knowledge also at six months. The intervention did not improve blood pressure.

Authors' conclusions

Evidence is insufficient to show whether type 2 diabetes self management interventions for people with severe mental illness are effective in improving outcomes. Researchers must conduct additional trials to establish efficacy, and to identify the active ingredients in these interventions and the people most likely to benefit from them.

PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY

Self management interventions for type 2 diabetes in adults with severe mental illness

Review question

What are the effects of diabetes self management interventions specifically tailored for adults with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness?

Background

Diabetes is one of the most common long-term conditions, affecting around 415 million people worldwide. People with severe mental illness are twice as likely to develop diabetes as those without mental health problems because of many factors, including antipsychotic medication side effects and inadequate 'lifestyle' such as poor diet and low levels of physical activity. Once diagnosed, type 2 diabetes is managed through a combination of medication and behavioural changes. When diabetes is poorly managed, people can develop severe and life-threatening complications. Healthcare providers have developed patient education programmes to help people to self manage their diabetes, and to reduce the likelihood of these complications. Although many programmes for type 2 diabetes have been found to be effective, little is known about programmes that have been specifically tailored to meet the needs of people with severe mental illness.

Study characteristics

We identified one study, which recruited 64 adults with type 2 diabetes and schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. Researchers compared usual care plus information leaflets with a 24-week education programme delivered once a week for 90 minutes (Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training). This programme provided basic diabetes education and information about nutrition and exercise. The average age of participants was 54 years; participants had been living with type 2 diabetes for on average nine years and with their psychiatric diagnosis since they were on average 28 years old. People in the included study were monitored for six months after the programme ended.

This evidence is up to date as of 07 March 2016.

Key results

In summary, few studies have evaluated the effects of diabetes self management programmes for adults with severe mental illness. Study authors of the single included study did not report diabetes-related complications, all-cause mortality, adverse events, health-related quality of life nor socioeconomic effects. They described small improvements in body mass index and body weight, as well as

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in diabetes knowledge and self efficacy. Current evidence is insufficient to show that these types of programmes can help people with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness to better manage their diabetes and its consequences.

Quality of the evidence

We rated the overall quality of the evidence as very low, mainly because of the small numbers of included studies and participants, and because reported study results showed inconsistency.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS FOR THE MAIN COMPARISON [Explanation]

Self management interventions for type 2 diabetes in adult people with severe mental illness

Population: adults with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness
Setting: community
Intervention: diabetes self management
Comparison: usual care + information

Outcomes	Usual care + information	Diabetes self management	Relative effect (95% CI)	Number of participants (trials)	Quality of the evidence (GRADE)	Comments
Diabetes-related complications	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	Not reported
All-cause mortality	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	Not reported
Adverse events	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	Not reported
Health-related quality of life	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	Not reported
Self care behaviours: physical activity (measured by total energy expenditure in kcal) Follow-up: 6 months (6 months after the end of the intervention)	Mean energy expenditure was 2148 kcal	Mean energy expenditure was 652 kcal higher	-	52 (1)	⊕◯◯◯ **Very low**[a]	Trial authors stated that this difference reflected no improvement
HbA1c [%] Follow-up: 6 months (6 months after the end of the intervention)	Mean HbA1c was 7.9%	Mean HbA1c was 1% lower	-	52 (1)	⊕◯◯◯ **Very low**[a]	Trial authors stated that this difference reflected no improvement
Socioeconomic effects	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	See comment	Not reported

CI: confidence interval; **HbA1c:** glycosylated haemoglobin A1c; **kcal:** kilocalories

GRADE Working Group grades of evidence
High quality: Further research is very unlikely to change our confidence in the estimate of effect
Moderate quality: Further research is likely to have an important impact on our confidence in the estimate of effect and may change the estimate
Low quality: Further research is very likely to have an important impact on our confidence in the estimate of effect and is likely to change the estimate
Very low quality: We are very uncertain about the estimate

[a]Downgraded by three levels because of selective reporting bias, indirectness and imprecision

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BACKGROUND

Description of the condition

Diabetes is a common and serious global health problem, currently affecting an estimated 9% of adults - 415 million people worldwide - and taking up 12% of international health expenditures (International Diabetes Federation 2015). In high-income countries, approximately 87% to 91% of all people with diabetes are estimated to have type 2 diabetes (International Diabetes Federation 2015). The condition typically develops in adulthood, usually in people over the age of 40 years, but younger onset is becoming more common. Diabetes is characterised by poorly regulated blood glucose levels, which may arise from defects in insulin secretion (insulin deficiency), in its action (insulin resistance) or both. The aim of treatment is to manage blood glucose levels to alleviate short-term symptoms while preventing or delaying the development of long-term complications. Individuals can initially control elevated glucose in the blood, known as hyperglycaemia, through lifestyle management, such as changes to diet and exercise, but given the progressive nature of type 2 diabetes, it is likely that most individuals will ultimately require pharmacological intervention as well. This may initially consist of oral hypoglycaemic drugs and, if the disease remains uncontrolled, insulin therapy.

The primary symptoms of type 2 diabetes are increased thirst and urination; however, not all individuals will experience these symptoms. Therefore, many people remain undiagnosed for a sustained period of time. Undetected hyperglycaemia can have implications for the outcome of diabetes, including greater risk of macrovascular and microvascular complications. Microvascular complications that primarily affect people with type 2 diabetes involve the eyes, kidneys and nervous system, and include coronary heart disease and major stroke (The Emerging Risk Factors Collaboration 2010).

The prevalence of type 2 diabetes is increasing rapidly worldwide and is predicted to more than double in the years between 2000 and 2030 (Wild 2004). Although no single causal factor has been attributed to development of the condition, increasing urbanisation and ageing populations are strongly linked to global changes in the incidence and prevalence of diabetes. One important risk factor is a diagnosis of severe mental illness such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder or other psychoses, with research suggesting an almost two-fold increase in the risk of diabetes among people with severe mental illness (Osborn 2008). This increased risk has been linked to a combination of factors including patient behaviour, in particular physical inactivity and poor diet (De Hert 2011) and higher rates of smoking (Lawrence 2009). Alongside lifestyle and behavioural factors, medications commonly prescribed for severe mental illness are strongly associated with development of metabolic abnormalities and weight gain, which significantly increase the risk of type 2 diabetes (De Hert 2011).

The World Health Organization (WHO) recognises mental disorder as an important contributing factor to the global burden of non-communicable diseases, such as diabetes, and emphasises that equitable access to effective programmes and healthcare interventions is needed (WHO 2013a). As such, the WHO Comprehensive Mental Health Action Plan for 2013 to 2020 states that developing good-quality mental health services requires the use of evidence-based protocols and practices. This plan suggests that health workers must not limit interventions to those that improve mental health but must also attend to the physical health needs of people with a mental disorder (WHO 2013b). In the United Kingdom, the Schizophrenia Commission (The Schizophrenia Commission 2012) and the Royal College of Psychiatrists (Royal College of Psychiatrists 2009) recognise that the poorer physical health of people with severe mental illness must be urgently addressed, and they include amongst their advice the need for tailored health promotion programmes that can help people to manage better their physical health, including chronic illnesses.

Given the importance of lifestyle changes in the management of type 2 diabetes, it is essential that people possess the skills needed to manage their condition. Patient education and self management are an integral part of diabetes care. People with type 2 diabetes have the right to receive education about their condition and treatment options, as well as information and training on how they can best manage their illness. National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidelines for type 2 diabetes (NICE 2015) recommend that structured education must be integrated into routine care and should be offered to all. In addition, the National Health Service (NHS) report on commissioning of mental health and diabetes services in the UK (NHS Diabetes 2011) states that people with severe mental illness who develop diabetes should have access to appropriate diabetes care. However, despite evidence suggesting that diabetes self management programmes have a positive impact on clinical, lifestyle and psychosocial outcomes (Deakin 2005; Duke 2009; Pal 2013; Steed 2003; Steinsbekk 2012; Thorpe 2013), it remains unclear whether a diagnosis of severe mental illness has an impact on the effectiveness of such interventions, as people with severe mental illness are not likely to receive standard diabetes education (Goldberg 2007b).

For people with severe mental illness, physical health may not be a priority (Buhagiar 2011) and motivation to change may be limited, presenting additional challenges for successful self management. Therefore, it cannot be assumed that the findings reported in existing systematic reviews of diabetes self management interventions can be generalised to those with severe mental illness.

Description of the intervention

Diabetes self management interventions are complex, as they consist of several interacting components (Craig 2008). Self management refers to an individual's ability to manage the clinical and psychosocial consequences, along with the lifestyle changes, in-

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herent in living with a chronic condition (Barlow 2002). On the basis of this broad definition, the content and complexity of diabetes self management interventions vary significantly, not only in terms of their aims and the behaviour/s they target (e.g. self monitoring of blood glucose, insulin titration, diet, exercise), but also in terms of their intensity, duration, place of delivery (i.e. primary or secondary care), mode of delivery (i.e. group, individual, online), type and training of the facilitator (i.e. diabetes and/or mental healthcare professional/s or lay person), active ingredients within the intervention and theoretical background.

Adverse effects of the intervention

Little evidence suggests that diabetes self management interventions are associated with adverse effects. However, adverse effects could occur if:

- the content of the diabetes self management intervention is not evidence-based, potentially resulting in incorrect information and training for people with type 2 diabetes;
- participants misunderstand the information given or are unable to perform the required behaviours;
- participants became anxious as a result of being more engaged, for example, if self monitored blood glucose readings are high and participants are unable to understand why (Peel 2004);
- being more engaged leads to inappropriate use of healthcare services;
- exercise leads to injury or increased pain and fatigue; or
- participants make decisions that are detrimental to their health and well-being, such as insulin titration that leads to hypoglycaemia.

How the intervention might work

Development of self management interventions has been influenced by several theories of health behaviour change, including social cognitive theory (Bandura 1986), the theory of reasoned action and planned behaviour (Ajzen 1991), self regulation theory (Leventhal 1984) and the transtheoretical model (Prochaska 1997). All of these theories identify concepts that predict health behaviour, with primary focus on beliefs, attitudes and expectations. Resulting self management interventions differ in their theoretical underpinnings and hence in the techniques they adopt to change behaviour. For example, a diabetes self management intervention based on social cognitive theory (Bandura 1986) may seek to reduce carbohydrate intake by increasing diet-related self efficacy. Bandura proposed several ways in which self efficacy can be enhanced, including skills mastery wherein a person gains confidence by successfully achieving a goal, observation of someone performing the behaviour and verbal persuasion. These behaviour change techniques are proposed to be the 'active ingredients' that explain how a self management intervention might work.

In addition to the active ingredients, behaviour change interventions involve other key features, including the behaviour or behaviours they aim to change (i.e. diet, exercise, self monitoring) and their duration, intensity, setting and mode of delivery and type and training of the facilitator, all of which can influence engagement and the efficacy and replicability of an intervention (Hoffman 2014). Figure 1 presents a simplified schematic representation of the conceptual framework for diabetes self management interventions, which acknowledges their complex nature, along with the best-established self management behaviour change techniques included in these types of interventions.

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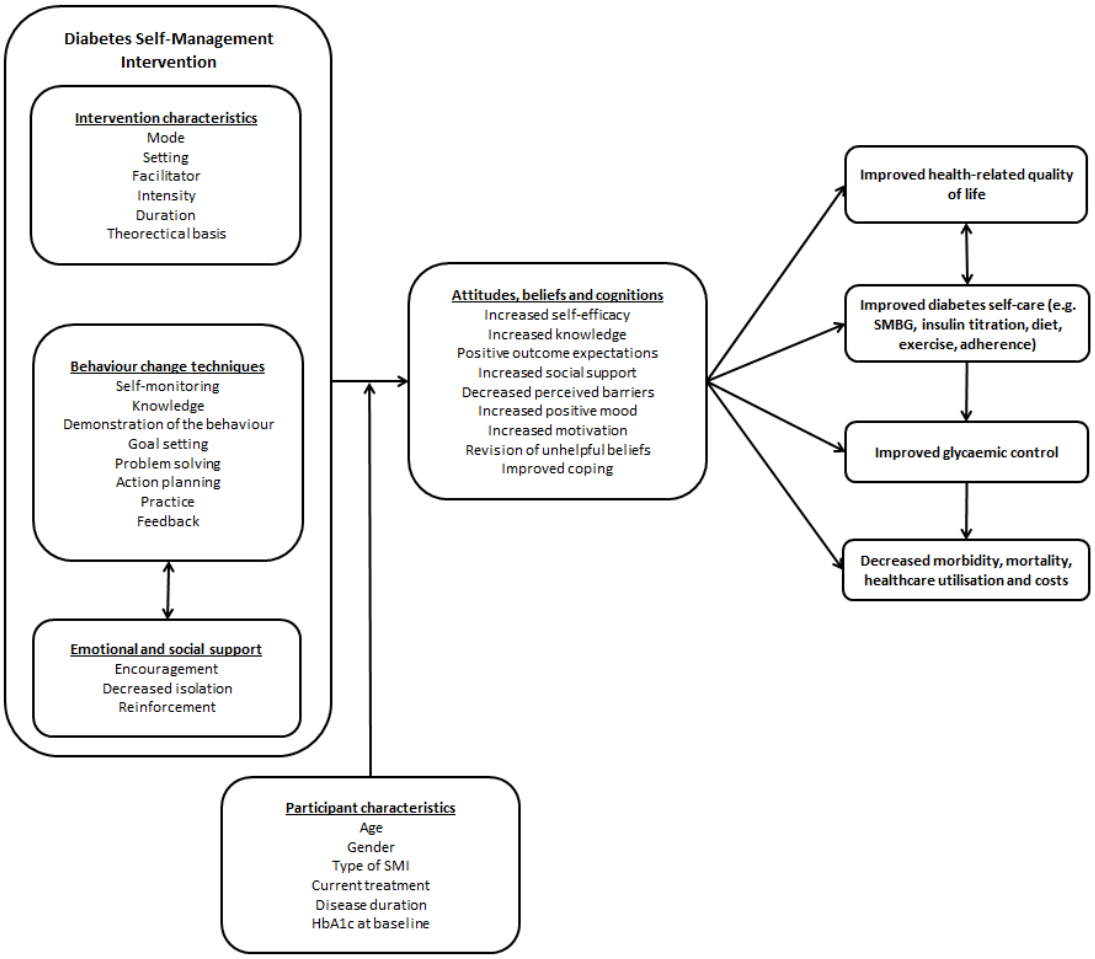
Figure 1. Schematic representation of diabetes self management.



Why it is important to do this review

Although some evidence indicates statistically and clinically significant benefits derived from diabetes self management interventions in the general population (Deakin 2005; Duke 2009; Pal 2013; Steed 2003; Steinsbekk 2012; Thorpe 2013), little evidence suggests that these interventions are effective in changing outcomes for people with severe mental illness and type 2 diabetes. A systematic review of diabetes self management specifically for those with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder found that approaches delivered in both inpatient and outpatient settings can be effective in managing type 2 diabetes, particularly those that address diet and exercise behaviour, but concluded that intervention packages need to be tailored to the unique challenges associated with decreased cognition and motivation, limited resources and the loss of energy and weight gain associated with use of antipsychotics (Cimo 2012). This review aims to broaden the inclusion criteria of this previous systematic review (Cimo 2012) to severe mental illnesses other than schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder and other outcomes, including patient-reported and socioeconomic outcomes.

This review will evaluate the effects of diabetes self management interventions for people with severe mental illness and type 2 diabetes, and it will provide us with the opportunity to describe, using established reporting systems, the active components of these interventions and the theoretical frameworks within which they were developed to establish how they work. Medical Research Council (MRC) guidelines for developing complex interventions (Craig 2008) and the Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT) statement for randomised controlled trials (RCTs) of non-pharmacological interventions (Boutron 2008) acknowledge the need for improved methods of specifying and reporting interven-

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tion content. In response, the Behaviour Change Technique Taxonomy (BCTTv1) (Michie 2013) was developed. This taxonomy provides standardised descriptions of different techniques, so that a shared language is used in the field of behaviour change, and links these techniques to published theories of behaviour. This systematic review will use the BCTTv1 (Michie 2013) to classify intervention content. Applying this method will help to provide a cumulative understanding, across the field of behaviour change, of how diabetes self management interventions change behaviour and improve outcomes. In addition, we will apply a coding system to assess the way in which these interventions have applied theory (Michie 2010). This theoretical coding system will enable an assessment of how, and to what extent, theory has been used to develop the intervention. Use of these coding systems will also prove helpful in systematically identifying and documenting the content of diabetes self management interventions for people with severe mental illness and type 2 diabetes, and will establish which components and theories are most effective. By undertaking subgroup analysis, review authors will attempt to identify whether intervention effects vary not only by intervention characteristics, but also by participant characteristics, to establish which type of self management intervention works best, for whom and under what conditions.

OBJECTIVES

To assess the effects of diabetes self management interventions specifically tailored for adults with type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness.

METHODS

Criteria for considering studies for this review

Types of studies

We included only randomised controlled clinical trials (RCTs).

Types of participants

Adults with severe mental illness and type 2 diabetes. We defined adult participants as those 18 years of age and older. Diagnosis of type 2 diabetes should have been consistent with the standard classification criteria valid at the time of the trial (e.g. ADA 1999; ADA 2008; WHO 1998). We defined severe mental illness as psychosis, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, personality disorder or depression with psychotic features, however diagnosed.

Types of interventions

Intervention

Interventions were targeted to improve self management of type 2 diabetes mellitus; these could include interventions that targeted, for example, self monitoring of blood glucose, diet or exercise behaviour. Interventions may or may not have included self management of severe mental illness, but we excluded interventions that focused solely on the self management of mental health. The intervention could be of any duration.

Comparator

The comparison group provided another active intervention or usual/standard care.

Exclusions

Any intervention that:

- included only participants with type 1 diabetes;
- included participants without severe mental illness;
- involved participants younger than 18 years of age,

including trials that included both adults and children;

- was targeted at healthcare professionals; or
- focused exclusively on self management of mental health.

We included trials that recruited participants with both type 1 and 2 diabetes only if we could extract results for participants with type 2 diabetes. We included trials that recruited participants with and without severe mental illness only if we could extract results for participants with severe mental illness.

Types of outcome measures

Primary outcomes

- Self care behaviours.
- Diabetes-related complications.
- Adverse events.

Secondary outcomes

- All-cause mortality.
- Health-related quality of life.
- Diabetes knowledge.
- Self efficacy.
- Progression of severe mental illness.
- Glycosylated haemoglobin A1c (HbA1c).
- Body mass index (BMI).
- Weight.
- Blood pressure.
- Change in medication or in intensity of drug treatment.
- Socioeconomic effects.

Methods of outcome measurement

- Self care behaviours: evaluated with a validated instrument such as the Summary of Diabetes Self care Activities measure (Toobert 2000).

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- Diabetes-related complications: defined as vascular complications (angina pectoris, myocardial infarction, stroke or peripheral vascular disease), neuropathy, nephropathy, retinopathy, diabetic foot and lower limb amputation and heart failure.
- Adverse events of the intervention: defined as, for example, hypoglycaemia, pain, fatigue and anxiety.
- All-cause mortality: defined as death from any cause.
- HbA1c: measured as glycosylated haemoglobin A1c.
- Health-related quality of life: evaluated with a validated generic or disease-specific instrument, such as Short Form (SF)-36 (McHorney 1993; Ware 1992) or the Diabetes Health Profile (Meadows 2000).
- Diabetes knowledge: evaluated with a validated instrument such as the Brief Diabetes Knowledge Test (Fitzgerald 1998).
- Self efficacy (general or diabetes-specific): evaluated with a validated instrument such as the Diabetes Empowerment Scale (Anderson 2000).
- Progression of severe mental illness: assessed by a disease-specific measure, such as the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (Kay 1987), or by generic measures such as the Clinical Global Impressions Scale (Busner 2007) or the Health of the Nation Outcome Scale (Wing 1998).
- BMI: measured as body weight in kilograms per meter squared (kg/m²).
- Weight: in kilograms or pounds.
- Blood pressure: systolic and diastolic blood pressure in millimetres of mercury (mmHg).
- Change in medication or intensity of drug treatment: intensity of type 2 diabetes treatment defined as an increase in medication dose or the introduction of an additional drug; intensity of severe mental illness treatment defined as an increase in medication dose or the introduction of an additional drug.
- Socioeconomic effects: direct costs defined as admission/re-admission rates, average length of stay, visits to general practitioner, accident/emergency visits; indirect costs defined as resources lost as the result of illness of participants or family members.

Timing of outcome measurement

We classified the timing of outcome measurements as short, medium and long term. Short-term follow-up was defined as measurement taken within one month of the end of the intervention period, therefore capturing immediate effects of the intervention; medium-term follow-up was defined as between one and six months post intervention, and long-term follow-up as six months and longer.

Summary of findings

We present a 'Summary of findings table' to report the following outcomes, listed according to priority.

- Diabetes-related complications.
- All-cause mortality.
- Adverse events.
- Health-related quality of life.
- Self care behaviours.
- HbA1c.
- Socioeconomic effects.

Search methods for identification of studies

We planned to search the Allied and Complementary Medicine Database (AMED) (McBain 2014); however, on the recommendation of the Cochrane Metabolic and Endocrine Disorders Group (CMED), we deemed AMED redundant, as it was unlikely to reveal any relevant trials above and beyond the included databases.

Electronic searches

We searched the following sources from inception of each database to the specified date, and we placed no restrictions on the language of publication.

- Cochrane Library (7 March 2016).
- MEDLINE <1946 to Present> (7 March 2016).
- EMBASE <1974 to 2016 Week 10> (7 March 2016).
- PsycINFO <1806 to March Week 1 2016> (7 March 2016).
- CINAHL (7 March 2016).
- ClinicalTrials.gov (7 March 2016).
- World Health Organization (WHO) International Clinical Trials Registry Platform (ICTRP) Search Portal (http://apps.who.int/trialsearch/) (7 March 2016).

We continuously applied a MEDLINE (via Ovid SP) email alert service to identify newly published trials using the same search strategy as described for MEDLINE (for details on search strategies, see Appendix 1). After supplying the final review draft for editorial approval, CMED performed a complete update search on all databases available at the editorial office and sent the results of this search to the review authors.

Searching other resources

We planned to identify other potentially eligible trials or ancillary publications by searching the reference lists of retrieved articles, including trials, (systematic) reviews, meta-analyses and health technology assessment reports. We searched unpublished literature by using the following databases.

- BASE: Bielefeld Academic Research Engine (http://www.base-search.net/).
- Open Grey (http://www.opengrey.eu/).
- NHS Evidence (http://www.evidence.nhs.uk/).
- UK Clinical Research Network Study Portfolio (http://public.ukcrn.org.uk/search/).

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Data collection and analysis

Selection of studies

Two review authors (HM, MH) independently scanned the abstract, title or both of every record retrieved. We rejected articles at this stage if they did not meet the inclusion criteria. If it was not possible to reject at this point, we retrieved full-text copies of the article. Two review authors (HM, JJ) then independently scanned the full text of all remaining articles. We resolved differences between review authors by discussing them with the review team and by contacting trial authors for clarification. We included an adapted PRISM (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-analyses) diagram of trial selection (Liberati 2009).

We present a PRISMA flowchart showing the process of trial selection (Liberati 2009).

Data extraction and management

For trials that fulfilled the inclusion criteria, two review authors (HM, KM) independently extracted key participant and intervention characteristics and reported data on efficacy outcomes and adverse events by using standard data extraction templates, with disagreements resolved by discussion (see Characteristics of included studies; Appendix 2; Appendix 3; Appendix 4; Appendix 5; Appendix 6; Appendix 7; Appendix 8; Appendix 9).

We presented Information, including trial identifier, about potentially relevant ongoing studies in the Characteristics of ongoing studies table. We planned to find the protocol of each included trial and to report primary, secondary and other outcomes in comparison with data derived from publications in a joint appendix titled "Matrix of trial endpoints (publications and trial documents)" (Appendix 6).

We emailed the authors of all included trials to enquire whether they would be willing to answer questions regarding their trials. Appendix 10 shows the results of this survey. We sought relevant missing information on the trial from the primary author of the article, when required.

We coded both intervention and comparator groups for their use of theory and behaviour change techniques.

Use of theory

A theory coding scheme has been developed that assesses how and to what extent theory has been used to develop an intervention (Michie 2010). This coding scheme consists of 19 items, each requiring a 'yes', 'no' or 'do not know' response. The scheme classifies these 19 questions into six categories: (1) Is theory mentioned? (2) Are the relevant theoretical constructs targeted? (3) Is theory used to select recipients or to tailor an intervention? (4) Are the relevant theoretical constructs measured? (5) Is theory tested? and (6) Has theory been refined? For the purposes of any analysis, if the theoretical basis for the intervention group was the same as for the control group, we coded the intervention as not having a theoretical basis (except for descriptive purposes) because theory was unable to explain the difference in effect size between the two groups.

Use of behaviour change techniques

We used the Behaviour Change Technique Taxonomy (BCTTv1) (Michie 2013) to code both intervention and control groups. We provided appropriate training for those extracting and coding behaviour change techniques. If the same behaviour change technique (BCT) was employed within both intervention and control groups, we coded the intervention as not containing the BCT (except for descriptive purposes) because the BCT would not explain differences in effect size between the two conditions.

Dealing with duplicate and companion publications

In the event of duplicate publications, companion documents or multiple reports of a primary trial, we maximised yield of information by collating all available data and using the most complete data set aggregated across all known publications. In case of doubt, we planned to assign priority to the publication reporting the longest follow-up associated with our primary or secondary outcomes.

Assessment of risk of bias in included studies

Two review authors (HM, KM) independently assessed risk of bias for each included trial and resolved disagreements by consensus. We assessed risk of bias by using the tool of The Cochrane Collaboration for assessment of risk of bias (Higgins 2011a; Higgins 2011b) based on the following criteria.

- Random sequence generation (selection bias).
- Allocation concealment (selection bias).
- Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias).
- Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias).
- Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias).
- Selective reporting (reporting bias).
- Other potential sources of bias.

We rated risk of bias criteria as 'low risk', 'high risk' or 'unclear risk' and evaluated individual bias items as described in the *Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions* (Higgins 2011a). We presented a 'Risk of bias summary' figure and assessed the impact of individual bias domains on trial results at endpoint and trial levels. In case of high risk of selection bias, we marked all endpoints investigated in the associated trial as 'high risk'.

For performance bias (blinding of participants and personnel) and detection bias (blinding of outcome assessors), we evaluated risk of bias separately for each outcome (Hróbjartsson 2013). We noted whether outcomes were self reported, investigator assessed or adjudicated outcome measures, for example, whether hypoglycaemia was reported by participants or by trial personnel.

We considered the implications of missing outcome data from individual participants, such as high drop-out rates (e.g. above

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15%) or disparate attrition rates (e.g. difference of 10% or more between trial arms).

We assessed outcome reporting bias by integrating the results of the appendix 'Examination of outcome reporting bias' (Appendix 7), the appendix 'Matrix of trial endpoints (publications and trial documents)' (Appendix 6) and the section 'Outcomes (outcomes reported in abstract of publication)' of the Characteristics of included studies tables. This analysis formed the basis of our judgement of selective reporting (reporting bias).

We defined the following endpoints as self reported outcomes.

- Health-related quality of life.
- Self care behaviours.
- Diabetes knowledge.
- Self efficacy.
- Adverse events, depending on measurement.
- Body mass index (BMI), depending on measurement.
- Weight, depending on measurement.
- Change in medication or intensity of drug treatment, depending on measurement.

We defined the following outcomes as investigator-assessed outcomes.

- HbA1c.
- All-cause mortality.
- Diabetes-related complications.
- BMI, depending on measurement.
- Weight, depending on measurement.
- Blood pressure.
- Change in medication or intensity of drug treatment, depending on measurement.
- Socioeconomic effects.

Measures of treatment effect

We planned to express dichotomous outcomes as risk ratios (RRs), along with 95% confidence intervals (95% CIs). For continuous outcomes when the same measurement scale was used (e.g. HbA1c), we measured treatment effects as the difference in mean changes from baseline. For continuous outcomes with different measurement scales, such as quality of life, we measured treatment effects as standardised mean differences (SMDs). The definition of SMD used in Cochrane reviews is the effect size known in social science as Hedges' g (adjusted) (Hedges 1985). If Hedges' g was not reported, we calculated it as the difference between the two means (intervention and control) divided by the pooled standard deviation. If this was not possible, we planned to describe the results of each trial in a narrative synthesis. We planned to express time-to-event data as hazard ratios (HRs) with 95% CIs.

Unit of analysis issues

We planned to take into account the level at which randomisation occurred, such as cross-over trials, cluster-randomised trials and multiple observations for the same outcome. We planned to extract data from cross-over trials for intervention and control groups at baseline and at the time point immediately preceding cross-over. In case of a unit of analysis error in cluster-RCTs, we planned to adjust for the design effect by reducing the size of the trial to its "effective sample size" (Rao 1992). We would have calculated this by dividing the original sample size by the 'design effect'. The design effect is 1 + (M - 1) * ICC, where M is the average cluster size, and ICC is the intra-cluster correlation coefficient. For dichotomous data, we planned to divide the number of participants and the number experiencing the event by the design effect. For continuous data, we planned to reduce only sample sizes, leaving means and standard deviations unchanged (Higgins 2011a).

Dealing with missing data

We attempted to obtain missing data from trial authors and carefully evaluated important numerical data such as screened, randomised participants, as well as intention-to-treat, as-treated and per-protocol populations. We investigated attrition rates (e.g. drop-outs, losses to follow-up, withdrawals) and we critically appraised issues of missing data and use of imputation methods (e.g. last observation carried forward, mean imputation, imputing based on predicted values from a regression analysis).

When standard deviations for outcomes were not reported and we did not receive the information from trial authors, we planned to impute these values by assuming the standard deviation of the missing outcome to be the average of standard deviations from those trials for which this information was reported. We planned to investigate the impact of imputation on meta-analyses by performing sensitivity analysis.

When trial authors failed to respond within one month of the first contact, we made a second attempt. If we received no response after two months, we recorded data as missing.

Assessment of heterogeneity

In the event of substantial clinical or methodological heterogeneity, we would not report trial results as the pooled effect estimate in a meta-analysis. We planned to identify heterogeneity (inconsistency) by visually inspecting forest plots and by using a standard Chi² test with a significance level of $\alpha = 0.1$. In view of the low power of this test, we also planned to consider the I^2 statistic, which quantifies inconsistency across trials, to assess the impact of heterogeneity on the meta-analysis (Higgins 2002; Higgins 2003); an I^2 statistic of 75% or more indicates a considerable level of heterogeneity (Higgins 2011a). We expected type of diabetes treatment (i.e. insulin-dependent vs non-insulin-dependent type 2 diabetes) and a diagnosis of severe mental illness to introduce clinical heterogeneity.

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Assessment of reporting biases

If we had included 10 or more trials that had investigated a particular outcome, we planned to use funnel plots to assess small-study effects. Several explanations can be offered for the asymmetry of a funnel plot, including true heterogeneity of effect with respect to trial size, poor methodological design (and hence bias of small trials) and publication bias. We therefore planned to interpret results carefully (Sterne 2011).

Data synthesis

Unless good evidence suggested homogeneous effects across trials, we planned to summarise primarily 'low risk of bias' data by using a random-effects model (Wood 2008). We planned to interpret random-effects meta-analyses with due consideration of the whole distribution of effects and to present a prediction interval (Higgins 2009). A prediction interval specifies a predicted range for the true treatment effect in an individual trial (Riley 2011). We planned to perform statistical analyses according to the statistical guidelines provided in the *Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions* (Higgins 2011a).

Quality of evidence

We presented overall quality of the evidence for each outcome according to the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach, which takes into account issues related not only to internal validity (risk of bias, inconsistency, imprecision, publication bias) but also to external validity, such as directness of results. Two review authors (HM, KM) independently rated the quality of evidence for each outcome. We present a summary of the evidence in Summary of findings for the main comparison, which provides key information about the best estimate of the magnitude of effect, in relative terms and absolute differences for each relevant comparison of alternative management strategies, numbers of participants and trials addressing each important outcome and the rating of overall confidence in effect estimates for each outcome. We created Summary of findings for the main comparison on the basis of methods described in the *Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions* (Higgins 2011a). We presented results on outcomes in the Types of outcome measures section. Meta-analysis was not possible; therefore, we presented results in a narrative Summary of findings for the main comparison.

In addition, we established an appendix titled 'Checklist to aid consistency and reproducibility of GRADE assessments' (Meader 2014) (Appendix 11) to help with standardisation of Summary of findings for the main comparison.

Subgroup analysis and investigation of heterogeneity

Clearly the efficacy of diabetes self management for people with severe mental illness is important, but it is also important to identify optimal content and delivery methods, as well as participant characteristics, that lead to the most improved outcomes. We planned to perform subgroup analyses to establish whether intervention effects varied with different participant populations or intervention characteristics. We used these comparisons only to generate hypotheses.

We expected the following characteristics to introduce clinical heterogeneity, and we planned to carry out subgroup analyses to investigate interactions.

- Age.
- Gender.
- Disease duration of both type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness at baseline.
- Insulin-treated versus non-insulin-treated type 2 diabetes.
- Severe mental illness treatment (i.e. antipsychotic medication vs no antipsychotic medication, typical (first-generation) vs atypical (second-generation) antipsychotic medication, olanzapine or clozapine treatment vs other antipsychotic treatment).
- Diagnosis of severe mental illness (i.e. psychosis, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, personality disorder or depression with psychotic features).
- Targeted behaviour (e.g. self monitoring, self titration of drug/insulin, exercise, diet).
- HbA1c at baseline.
- Behaviour change techniques used.
- Use of a theory to inform the intervention.
- Intensity of the intervention provided.
- Intervention setting (i.e. primary or secondary care or community).

Sensitivity analysis

We planned to perform sensitivity analyses to explore the influence of the following factors (when applicable) on effect sizes by restricting analysis to the following.

- Published trials.
- Taking into account risk of bias, as specified in the Assessment of risk of bias in included studies section.
- Very long or large trials to establish the extent to which they dominate the results.
- Trials using the following filters: diagnostic criteria, imputation, language of publication, source of funding (industry vs other) or country.

We also planned to test the robustness of our results by repeating the analysis using different measures of effect size (RR, odds ratio (OR), etc.) and different statistical models (fixed-effect and random-effects models).

RESULTS

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Description of studies

For a detailed description of trials, see Table 1, Characteristics of included studies', 'Characteristics of excluded studies, and ' Characteristics of ongoing studies' sections.

Results of the search

After removal of duplicates, the search of 11 electronic bibliographic databases yielded a total of 3080 citations. HM and MH performed independent screening of the abstracts of these articles, and CF resolved disagreements. We retrieved full papers for all abstracts that the reviewers could not confidently exclude. HM and JJ assessed 60 full-text articles for eligibility. One trial (three reports) and nine ongoing trials fulfilled the inclusion criteria. We summarised our search results in Figure 2.

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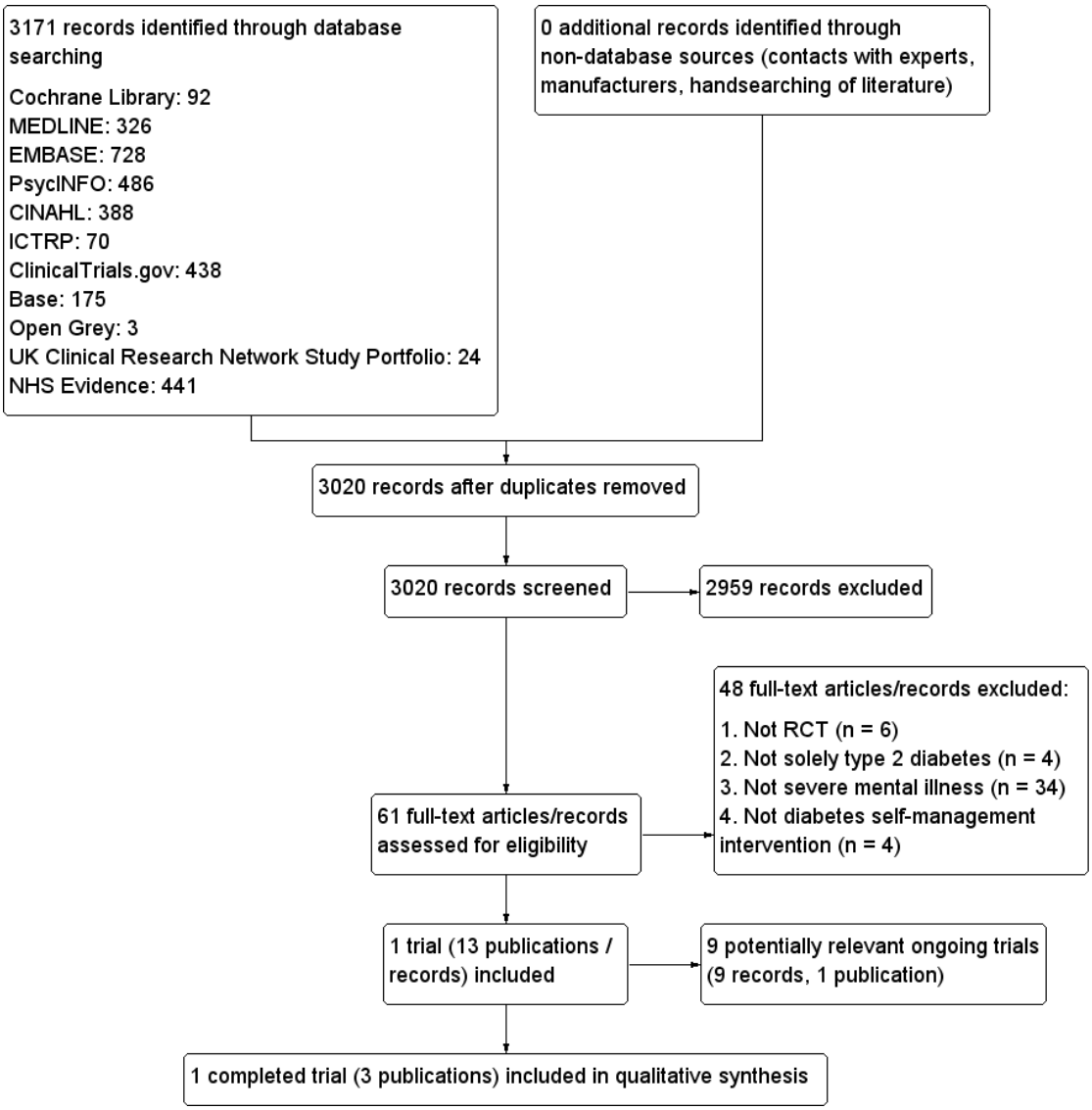
Figure 2. Study flow diagram.



Included studies

We included one trial (three trial reports) with 64 participants. We presented a detailed description of the characteristics of this trial elsewhere (see Characteristics of included studies). Nine additional trials were ongoing and provided no published data; we presented details of these trials in the Characteristics of ongoing studies table.

Source of data

We obtained the data presented in this review from three published articles and through correspondence with the trial author.

Comparisons

The trial was a randomised controlled trial comparing Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART) with usual care plus information (UCI).

Overview of trial**populations**

Investigators approached a total of 77 patients to participate in the trial; 11 declined to take part and two were already participating in other psychoeducational or medication trials. A total of 64 participants provided consent to participate in the trial - 32 in each arm. Two did not complete the trial because of inpatient hospitalisation, one was unable to complete the follow-up assessment,

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one relocated, one died before receiving the intervention, one had psychiatric decompensation and one lost interest. Researchers reported results for 57 participants (29 in the control arm and 28 in the intervention arm) immediately post intervention (i.e. six months from the time of entry into the trial; known as 'short-term follow-up') and for 52 participants (26 in each arm) at six months post intervention (i.e. 12 months from entry into the trial; known as 'long-term follow-up'). Five other participants were lost to long-term follow-up, as they had moved out of the area.

Trial design

Investigators conducted the RCT at a single site. They did not report the time frame in which the trial was completed, nor whether blinding of participants or personnel to group allocation was undertaken. The trial did not include a run-in period, nor was it terminated early. A trained interviewer, masked to group allocation, conducted a 90-minute interview to collect trial outcomes. However, measures taken during this interview remain unclear.

Settings

Investigators conducted the trial in the San Diego healthcare system and did not report the site of recruitment.

Participants

Participants were primarily women (65%). The RCT included only adults over 40 years of age, with a mean age of 54 years. Most individuals in the sample were white (61%) and were living in board-of-care facilities (83%). Average length of education was 12 years. The sample consisted of 46 participants with schizophrenia and nine with schizoaffective disorder. The mean age of participants at onset of psychiatric illness was 28 years. The mean duration of diabetes was nine years. Trial authors did not report the presence of co-morbidities. Most participants were receiving oral treatment (68%) for their diabetes; 12% controlled their diabetes through dietary changes only, 7% with insulin and 9% with a combination of an oral agent and insulin. Medical treatment for their psychiatric illness consisted predominantly of risperidone or quetiapine (47%); remaining participants received aripiprazole or ziprasidone (23%), clozapine or olanzapine (30%).

Scores of psychiatric symptom severity, measured on the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS), indicated a mean positive symptom score of 14, a negative symptom score of 5 and a general symptoms score of 4. The mean baseline score on the Hamilton Depression Scale was 14 and on the Mattis Dementia Rating Scale 128.

Mean glycosylated haemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) of participants at baseline was 7%, body mass index (BMI) was 33 kg/m²and on average, participants weighed 217 lbs; their mean systolic blood pressure was 133 mmHg and mean diastolic blood pressure 84 mmHg.

Diagnosis

Although providers confirmed the diagnosis, they did not report the clinical diagnostic criteria used to identify type 2 diabetes or severe mental illness. .

Intervention

The DART intervention was a group-based, face-to-face, 24-week self management programme. The intervention took place weekly, and each session lasted for 90 minutes. DART comprised three modules: (1) basic diabetes education (sessions one to four, repeated at sessions 13 to 16); (2) nutrition (sessions five to eight, repeated at sessions 17 to 20); and (3) lifestyle exercise (sessions 9 to 12, repeated at sessions 21 to 24). Each module contained four 90-minute manualised sessions. Basic diabetes education included an explanation of motivation and a review of blood sugar and symptoms of low and high blood sugar levels, diabetes complications, how to use a glucose meter, how to talk with your doctor and types of medication available for treatment. Nutrition education included a review of food groups, portion sizes, healthy meals and food labels, along with ways to replace sugar with fat and fibre. Lifestyle and exercise sessions presented different types of exercise, as well as their impact on blood sugar levels, use of a pedometer to track exercise and care of the foot during exercise.

Personnel adapted educational materials for people of middle age and older with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder by introducing one or two topics per session, providing an overview and summary of the materials, implementing a teach and query training method and using mnemonic aids and print materials with larger font and limited text. They provided participants with simple guidelines about how they might lead a healthier lifestyle, such as switching from regular soda or fruit punch to diet soda or water. One diabetes-trained mental health professional delivered the intervention. Thus facilitators did not make contact with participants' healthcare provider during the intervention but encouraged participants to speak to their physician about their diabetes and provided guidance on how to record laboratory results and examination findings.

Trial reports state that the intervention was based on social cognitive theory but provide no other details on how and to what extent theory was used to develop the intervention. As a result, the trial scored only one point on a scale of 0 to 8, on the basis of the theory coding scheme (Michie 2010). Trial authors stated that they employed the following behavioural change strategies within the intervention: self monitoring (e.g. pedometers, weekly weigh-ins), modelling, practice (i.e. healthy food sampling), goal setting and reinforcement for attendance and behavioural change (i.e. raffle tickets for small health-related prizes). Through independent coding of intervention descriptions, HM and KM used the Behaviour Change Technique Taxonomy (BCTTv1) (Michie 2013) to identify 14 behaviour change techniques in the intervention arm: self monitoring outcome(s) of the behaviour; social support (unspecified); material reward (behaviour); behaviour substitution; graded tasks; instruction on how to perform the behaviour; credible source; feedback on outcome(s) of the behaviour; objects added to the environment; self monitoring of behaviour; body changes; behavioural practice/rehearsal; demonstration of the behaviour; and goal setting (outcome).

Comparator

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The comparator - usual care plus Information (UCI) - consisted of usual care provided by participants' providers and three brochures provided by the American Diabetes Association that were relevant to diabetes management (i.e. basic diabetes education, nutrition, exercise). Researchers did not specify the theoretical underpinnings of the control arm, hence a score of zero on the theory coding scheme (Michie 2010) and independent coding identified only one reported BCT: social support (unspecified).

Outcomes

Trial authors did not specify a primary outcome; they measured a range of outcomes as part of the trial and reported different outcomes at each follow-up. They provided short-term follow-up immediately post intervention (i.e. six months from baseline) and long-term follow-up six months after completion of the intervention (i.e. 12 months from baseline). See Appendix 8 and Appendix 9.

Investigators assessed the short-term efficacy of the intervention in accordance with self care behaviours (total energy expenditure, total activity, total kilocalories consumed and total minutes of activity), weight, BMI, waist circumference, blood pressure, changes to diabetes and antipsychotic treatment, fasting blood glucose, HbA1c, cholesterol, lipoprotein, triglycerides, diabetes knowledge and self efficacy. A total of 57 participants contributed to the analysis of these outcome measures. At long-term follow-up, researchers explored differences between groups across 52 participants, for BMI, changes to diabetes and antipsychotic medication, weight, waist circumference, HbA1c, diabetes knowledge and energy expenditure.

To measure dietary intake, investigators asked participants to rank how often they consumed 70 different foods over the past month on the Block Brief 2000 Revision of the Health and Habits and History Questionnaire (Block 1990). They measured physical activity by using the Yale Physical Activity Scale (YPAS; Dipietro 1993), which provides two indices: total energy expenditure (TEE) and total activity summary index (TASI). Researchers calculated the TEE by using an activities checklist to assess time spent in various activities during a typical week in the past month. They calculated the TASI by summing the hours spent in different types of activities weighted by their intensity. They derived the total number of minutes of moderate and vigorous activity from each day of monitoring (i.e. at least three days of data, 10 hours per day) by using an accelerometer and averaged these values across the three days.

Trial authors measured diabetes knowledge on the 23-item Diabetes Knowledge Test (Fitzgerald 1998) and self efficacy on the 28-item Diabetes Empowerment Scale (Anderson 2000), which consists of three subscales: managing psychosocial aspects of diabetes (MPAD), dissatisfaction and readiness for change (DRFC) and setting and achieving diabetes goals (SADG).

Investigators measured positive and negative symptoms by using the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) (Kay 1987), depressive symptom severity by using the Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAM-D) (Hamilton 1960) and cognitive functioning by using the Dementia Rating Scale (DRS) (Mattis 1973). They assessed these measures only at baseline to describe the sample and used the PANSS immediately following the intervention to explore its effect as a moderator of intervention effectiveness (McKibbin 2010).

Excluded studies

After evaluation of full texts, we excluded 48 articles from the review. Of these, six were not RCTs; in 34 papers, included participants did not meet our definition of severe mental illness (psychosis, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, personality disorder or depression with psychotic features); in four papers, participants were not solely those diagnosed with type 2 diabetes and data could not be extracted for type 2 participants only; and in the final four papers, researchers did not evaluate a diabetes self management intervention.

Risk of bias in included studies

For details on risk of bias of included trials, see Characteristics of included studies. For an overview of review authors' judgements about each risk of bias item for individual trials, see Figure 3. Overall, risk of bias was unclear for most aspects, as articles provided insufficient details for review authors to make an assessment.

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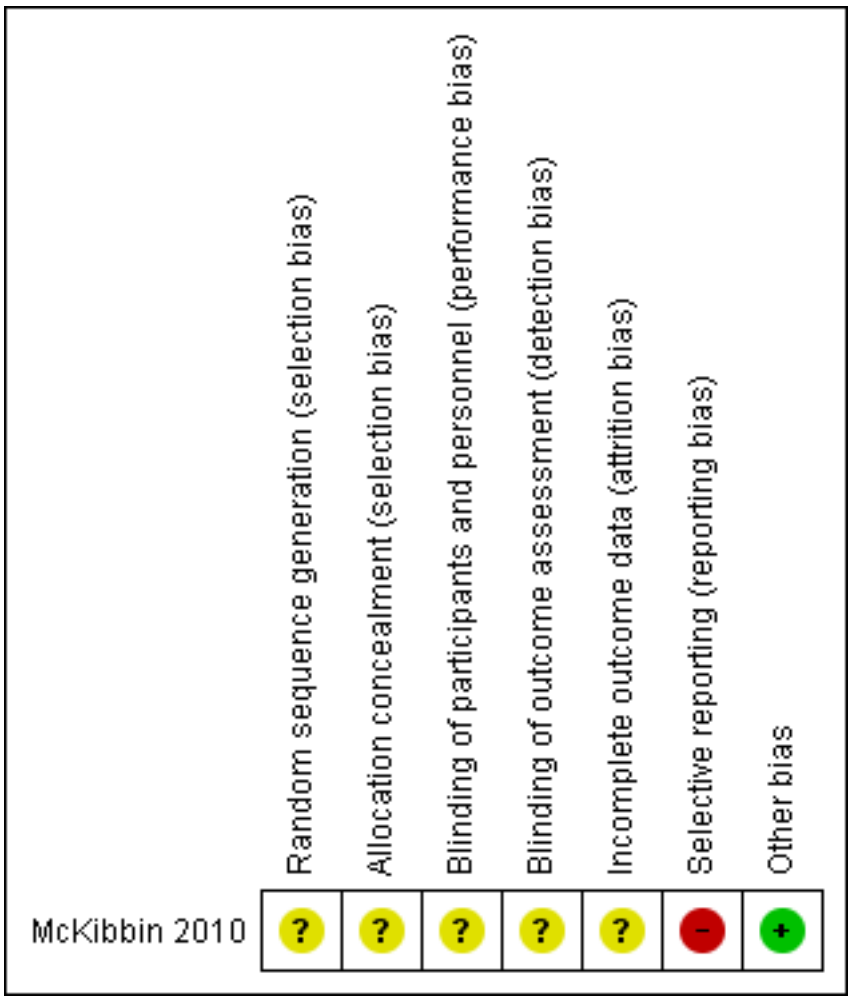
Figure 3. Risk of bias summary: review authors' judgements about each risk of bias item for each included trial.



Allocation

Researchers reported no information on allocation concealment or method of randomisation; therefore, risk of selection bias was unclear.

Blinding

Blinding of participants and intervention facilitators would not have been possible, and trial authors did not report blinding of other trial personal to group allocation; hence, we classified this trial as having unclear risk of performance and detection bias. A blinded trained interviewer undertook a 90-minute interview with each participant to collect data, but trial authors failed to specify which outcomes were measured by this interview.

Incomplete outcome data

Trial authors did not perform intention-to-treat (ITT) analyses, and they reported no information on how missing data were treated. From baseline to immediately post intervention, 11% of the overall sample, and from baseline to six months post intervention 19%, failed to complete both baseline and follow-up assessments. Researchers did not report reasons for drop-out by trial arm.

Selective reporting

We judged risk of reporting bias as high. We were unable to find a published protocol for the trial. The article reporting long-term outcomes failed to present results for several of the outcomes mea-

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sured at short-term follow-up, including blood pressure, fasting blood glucose, cholesterol, lipoprotein, triglycerides, self efficacy, total activity, total kilocalories consumed and total minutes of activity.

Other potential sources of bias

We identified no other potential sources of bias.

Effects of interventions

See: **Summary of findings for the main comparison**
See Summary of findings for the main comparison for the main patient-relevant outcomes.

Baseline characteristics

For details of baseline characteristics, see Appendix 3, Appendix 4 and Appendix 5.

Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART) programme versus usual care plus information (UCI)

Primary outcomes

Self care behaviours

Trial investigators measured physical activity by using the Yale Physical Activity Scale (Dipietro 1993). The TEE subscale did not improve with the DART programme in comparison with UCI at short-term or long-term follow-up. The TASI improved immediately following the DART programme in comparison with UCI. Researchers observed no substantial difference in the total number of minutes of daily activity performed by participants between DART and UCI at short-term follow-up. The mean energy expenditure six months after completion of the intervention was 2148 kcal for the DART group and 2800 kcal for the UCI group. Trial authors reported that the difference of 652 kcal did not reflect an improvement. For measurement of dietary intake, participants completed the Brief 2000 Revision of the Health and Habits and History Questionnaire (Block 1990), which estimates the total calories consumed in kilocalories. Participation in the DART programme did not result in improvement in the number of calories consumed at short-term follow-up compared with UCI. Trial authors did not report effects at long-term follow-up for the TASI, minutes of daily activity or dietary intake.
This trial did not measure or report outcomes in relation to **diabetes-related complications** and **adverse events**.

Secondary outcomes

This trial did not measure or report outcomes in relation to **all-cause mortality**, **health-related quality** of life nor **socioeconomic effects**. Although investigators measured positive and negative affect and depression at baseline, they did not use these scales to measure **progression of mental health** across the trial period.

Diabetes knowledge

Diabetes knowledge, as measured by the Diabetes Knowledge Test (Fitzgerald 1998), improved following completion of the DART programme compared with UCI at both short-term and long-term follow-up.

Self efficacy

Trial authors assessed self efficacy by using the Diabetes Empowerment Scale (Anderson 2000). Scores on all three subscales improved immediately after completion of the DART programme in comparison with UCI. Trial authors did not report results at long-term follow-up.

Glycaemic control

Glycaemic control, as measured by HbA1c, showed no statistically significant effect of the DART programme in comparison with UCI at short-term (mean difference (MD) 0.6%) or long-term follow-up (end of trial values 7.9% for DART vs 6.9% for UCI). Also, fasting blood glucose levels showed no marked differences between intervention and comparator groups, and this outcome was reported only at short-term follow-up.

Body mass index (BMI)

Researchers observed improvement in favour of DART in BMI at short-term (MD 1.7 units) and long-term follow-up (MD 2.4 units).

Weight

Weight improved immediately following completion of the intervention compared with UCI. Although trial authors reported that participants in the DART group experienced weight loss at long-term follow-up and UCI participants gained weight, they did not provide pre-post data.

Blood pressure

Both systolic blood pressure and diastolic blood pressure failed to improve at short-term follow-up in the DART programme compared with UCI.

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Change in medication or intensity of drug treatment

Trial authors reported few changes in antipsychotic and diabetes treatment type in the short term or over the long term. Groups were also similar in terms of antipsychotic and diabetes treatment type at both follow-up intervals. Investigators reported no data for either of these outcomes.

Other outcomes

We did not specify several other secondary outcomes in our protocol, but trial authors included them in the trial and reported that they showed an effect for the intervention. Waist circumference in inches improved as a result of the DART programme compared with UCI, both at short-term and long-term follow-up. Researchers presented short-term effects for triglycerides but no substantial short-term effects on levels of cholesterol in the DART programme in comparison with UCI, or for high-density or low-density lipoproteins.

Subgroup analyses

Trial authors explored the moderating effects of schizophrenia symptoms following the intervention, as measured by the PANSS (Kay 1987), on changes in diabetes knowledge and self efficacy from baseline to short-term follow-up. These results indicated that differences in changes in diabetes knowledge between the DART programme and UCI were dependent on the prevalence and severity of schizophrenia symptoms. When the total psychiatric symptom severity score was low at baseline, change in diabetes knowledge was greater in the DART group than in the UCI group at short-term follow-up. However, when the total psychiatric symptom severity score was high at baseline, investigators reported no difference in the change in diabetes knowledge between the two groups at short-term follow-up. They observed interaction effects for both negative and general symptom scores on the PANSS (Kay 1987). When negative or general symptom scores were low at baseline, the DART group performed better in relation to their diabetes knowledge than the UCI group. However, when negative or general scores were high, trial authors reported no differences between the two arms. Positive symptom severity did not interact with trial arm on any of the three self efficacy subscales.

Sensitivity analyses

We performed no sensitivity analyses because of the limited number of trials included in the review (n = 1).

Assessment of reporting bias

We did not draw funnel plots because the number of included trials was limited (n = 1).

Ongoing studies

We found nine ongoing RCTs, seven in progress in the USA, one in Germany and another in Canada. In seven trials, inclusion criteria included type 2 diabetes and at least one of the included severe mental illnesses. Hence, these trials would be included in subsequent updates of this review only if suitable subgroup analyses were performed.

DISCUSSION

Summary of main results

Effects of the intervention on clinical outcomes

We included one trial involving 64 participants with type 2 diabetes and either schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. This randomised controlled trial (RCT) compared the 24-week Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART) programme - a group-based face-to-face self management intervention covering general diabetes education, nutrition and exercise - with usual care plus information (UCI). Most individuals in the sample were women (65%), and the mean age of participants was 54 years. The mean age of onset of psychiatric illness was 28 years, and the mean duration of diabetes nine years. Investigators recorded outcome measures immediately following the intervention (i.e. short-term follow-up) and six months post intervention (i.e. long-term follow-up).

Trial authors observed no substantial effects on glycaemic control, blood pressure, cholesterol, high and low lipoprotein or total number of minutes of activity per day. They reported observable improvements in body mass index (BMI) and waist circumference at short-term and long-term follow-up in the DART programme compared with UCI, and in triglycerides and weight immediately post intervention only.

Effects of the intervention on patient-reported outcomes

Diabetes knowledge, self efficacy and total activity levels of participants improved immediately following the DART programme in comparison with UCI. Participants maintained improvements in diabetes knowledge at long-term follow-up. Total calories consumed by participants and their total energy expenditure failed to improve as a consequence of the programme in comparison with usual care.

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Behaviour change techniques used in the intervention and mechanisms of action

Trial authors did not specify how and to what extent theory had been used to develop the content for the intervention or control group. Coding of DART revealed 13 behaviour change techniques unique to the DART programme.

Overall completeness and applicability of evidence

The primary limitation of this review is the overall lack of trials. We identified only one RCT with 64 participants that met the inclusion criteria. This RCT targeted only older adults (40+ years) with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder; we found no suitable trials that recruited younger participants or those with other severe mental illnesses. Another significant limitation was lack of measurement and reporting of outcome measures specified in the protocol. The included RCT did not measure or report findings on adverse events, diabetes-related complications, mortality, health-related quality of life, progression of mental health nor socioeconomic effects. Although the intervention was reported to be grounded in social cognitive theory, trial authors presented no information on how and to what extent social cognitive theory had been used to develop the DART programme. Subgroup analysis to explore the effects on intervention effectiveness of participant and intervention characteristics, such as active ingredients, was not possible.

Quality of the evidence

We rated the quality of the only trial included in this review as very low. Researchers did not measure outcomes related to diabetes-related complications, all-cause mortality, adverse events, health-related quality of life and socioeconomic effects. Trial authors did not provide details about the randomisation process. The nature of the intervention precluded participant blinding, and it was unclear whether personnel or outcome assessors were blinded to group allocation. Investigators defined self care behaviour in terms of physical activity and food consumption. Whilst some of these measures were objective, such as total minutes of physical activity measured by an accelerometer, the remainder involved subjective reports.

We noted selective reporting bias in relation to weight, blood pressure, fasting blood glucose, cholesterol, high-density and low-density lipoproteins, triglycerides, self efficacy and several self care behaviours. Although researchers reported the effects of the intervention at short-term follow-up for these outcomes, they did not report long-term effects, possibly indicating that these analyses were not statistically significant and hence were not reported. In addition, investigators did not explore the moderating effects of symptoms in relation to self care behaviours nor glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c). The small sample size and the number of included trials significantly reduced the precision of this review.

Potential biases in the review process

This Cochrane review addresses a specific and well-defined research question. The search of the literature was extensive and sensitive, but publication bias remains a possibility. The final review includes only English language articles, although we did not limit our search criteria to publications in English.

Although the inclusion criteria were clearly defined, we noted continued ambiguity in the wider literature on the definition of diabetes self management. We deliberately kept this definition broad, so as not to exclude potentially important interventions, as long as the primary focus of the intervention was to enable participants to better manage their type 2 diabetes; however, as a result of often brief descriptions, we based judgements about inclusion on limited data.

Selection of trials followed the protocol and different review authors were responsible for selecting trials at each stage of the review, which may have introduced bias into the selection process. However, we ensured that one review author was involved at all stages to maintain some consistency .

We excluded trials in which the sample combined individuals with type 1 and type 2 diabetes, or those who had been diagnosed with a severe mental illness not listed in our inclusion criteria if subgroup analyses had not been performed; hence important and relevant data may be missing from this review.

We made the decision to include all three articles reporting one RCT, to maximise the quantity of data available for this review. We did not treat these three articles as three individual trials because each article described different aims. We have emphasised this fact throughout the review, and awareness of this is important when the findings and conclusions of this review are considered.

Agreements and disagreements with other studies or reviews

A review of effective lifestyle interventions for improving type 2 diabetes self management in people with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder by Cimo 2012 reported reductions in weight and BMI, but limited evidence for improved glycaemic control. Our review supports these findings. Cimo 2012 concluded that lifestyle interventions can be effective in management of type 2 diabetes, particularly when the intervention incorporates diet and exercise components. However, the review includes only four papers - two were short-term and long-term follow-up articles reported in this systematic review (McKibbin 2006; McKibbin 2010), and two were quasi-experimental trials. Hence these conclusions may be overestimated. Consistent with this review, Cimo 2012 recommended that future research should focus on the long-term sus-

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tainability of diabetes self management interventions for people with severe mental illness, and on addressing the needs of a younger population.

AUTHORS' CONCLUSIONS

Implications for practice

Evidence is insufficient to show whether type 2 diabetes self management interventions for people with severe mental illness are effective in improving clinical, psychosocial, behavioural or economic outcomes.

Implications for research

The small number of published trials reveals a significant gap in the literature for theory- and evidence-based interventions that enable service users with severe mental illness to manage their type 2 diabetes. Several ongoing trials may meet the inclusion criteria in future updates of this review. However, the inclusion criteria for most of these ongoing trials include but are not exclusive to type 2 diabetes and severe mental illness, and therefore will contribute to the objectives of this review only if subgroup analyses are performed for this subset of participants.

We therefore recommend that theory- and evidence-based interventions should be developed that address the specific challenges experienced by people with severe mental illness when they attempt to manage their diabetes, and that these interventions should be evaluated in robust randomised controlled trials. Future publications should ensure that the theoretical basis, active ingredients (behaviour change techniques) and doses of these ingredients (frequency of behaviour change techniques) are clearly described in published protocols and final reports. This will lead to a better understanding of which elements of an intervention are the most effective components for changing diabetes-related behaviours and outcomes.

Finally, we affirmed a clear need to establish whether these interventions have effects on all-cause mortality, health-related quality of life and socioeconomic aspects, or whether they lead to adverse events, such as hypoglycaemic events or diabetes-related complications.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDIES

Characteristics of included studies *[ordered by study ID]*

McKibbin 2010

Methods	**Parallel randomised controlled clinical trial** **Superiority design**
Participants	**Inclusion criteria** • Age 40 or older • Physician-confirmed diagnoses of schizophrenia • Physician-confirmed diagnoses of diabetes mellitus • Ambulatory physician approval to participate in lifestyle exercise **Exclusion criteria** • Inability to complete the assessment battery • Physician-confirmed diagnosis of congestive heart failure **Diagnostic criteria**: -
Interventions	**Number of study centres**: - **Treatment before study**: - **Intervention**: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART), a 24-week group-based intervention, consisting of weekly 90-minute sessions. Covers basic education, nutrition and exercise **Control**: Usual care plus information (UCI) condition consisted of usual care provided by participants' physicians and three brochures provided by the American Diabetes Association relevant to diabetes management (i.e. basic diabetes education, nutrition and exercise) **Provider**: 1 diabetes-trained mental health professional
Outcomes	**Outcomes reported in abstract of publication** • Diabetes knowledge • Self efficacy • Symptoms **Outcomes reported in abstract of publication** (McKibbin 2006) • BMI • Blood pressure • Fasting blood glucose • Accelerometry • Triglycerides • Diabetes knowledge • Diabetes self efficacy • Physical activity • HbA1c **Outcomes reported in abstract of publication** (McKibbin 2010) • BMI • Waist circumference • Diabetes knowledge • HbA1c • Energy expenditure

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Study details	**Run-in period**: - **Trial terminated before regular end**: no
Publication details	**Language of publication**: English **Funding**: Betty Irene Moore Foundation and National Institute of Nursing Research; National Insititute of Mental Health grants and Department of Veterans Affairs (McKibbin 2006); National Institute for Mental Health and National Center for Research Resourses (McKibbin 2010) **Publication status**: peer-reviewed journal
Stated aim for study	**Quote from publication**: "To explore the relationship between the symptoms of schizophrenia experienced by older persons diagnosed with schizophrenia and type 2 diabetes mellitus and their response to a health promoting intervention" **Quote from publication** (McKibbin 2006): "To test the efficacy of a novel, manualised 24-week lifestyle intervention to reduce obesity in middle-aged and older persons with schizophrenia and type-2 DM" **Quote from publication** (McKibbin 2010): "To test the sustained impact of a 6-month diabetes management intervention in middle-aged and older adults with schizophrenia and type 2 diabetes mellitus"
Notes	Long-term follow-up of McKibbin 2006 and Leutwyler 2010 (see McKibbin 2006)

Risk of bias

Bias	**Authors' judgement**	**Support for judgement**
Random sequence generation (selection bias)	Unclear risk	**Quote from publication**: "The total sample was composed of 64 subjects from board and care, day treatment programs, and community clubhouses that were randomly assigned to treatment (DART) and control groups (UCI)" **Comment**: method of randomisation not reported
Allocation concealment (selection bias)	Unclear risk	**Comment**: insufficient evidence to permit judgement
Blinding of participants and personnel (performance bias) All outcomes	Unclear risk	**Comment**: insufficient evidence to permit judgement
Blinding of outcome assessment (detection bias) All outcomes	Unclear risk	**Comment**: insufficient evidence to permit judgement
Incomplete outcome data (attrition bias) All outcomes	Unclear risk	**Comment**: insufficient evidence to permit judgement

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Selective reporting (reporting bias)	High risk	**Comment**: the paper does not report on outcomes related to progression of severe mental illness, change in medications, blood pressure, fasting blood glucose, cholesterol, lipoprotein, triglycerides, self efficacy, total activity, total kilocalories or total minutes of activity, despite evidence indicating that these outcomes were measured **Comment** Leutwyler 2010 (see McKibbin 2006): this paper reports only on outcomes related to knowledge and self efficacy; several other outcomes were measured **Comment** McKibbin 2006: this paper does not report on outcomes related to progression of severe mental illness or change in medications, despite evidence indicating that these outcomes were measured
Other bias	Low risk	**Comment**: nothing detected

"-" denotes not reported
BMI: body mass index; DART: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training; HbA1c: glycosylated haemoglobin A1c; UCI: usual care plus information

Characteristics of excluded studies *[ordered by study ID]*

Study	Reason for exclusion
ACTRN12614000138684	Not a randomised controlled trial (RCT)
Bogner 2010	Not a severe mental illness
Bogner 2012	Not a severe mental illness
Ell 2009	Not a severe mental illness
Gois 2009	Not a severe mental illness
Green 2015	Includes type 1 and type 2 diabetes
Hjorth 2014	Includes type 1 and type 2 diabetes
Huang 2002	Not a severe mental illness

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Huang 2004	Not a severe mental illness
ISRCTN13762819	Not a diabetes self management intervention
Katon 2004	Not a severe mental illness
Katon 2006	Not a severe mental illness
Katon 2008	Not a severe mental illness
Katon 2012	Not a severe mental illness
Lamers 2011	Not a severe mental illness
Lustman 1998a	Not a severe mental illness
Lustman 1998b	Not a severe mental illness
NCT00253240	Not a randomised controlled trial (RCT)
NCT00468676	Not a severe mental illness
NCT00564070	Not a severe mental illness
NCT00627029	Not a severe mental illness and not a diabetes self management intervention
NCT01098253	Not a severe mental illness
NCT01106885	Not a severe mental illness
NCT01228032	Not a diabetes self management intervention
NCT01890226	Not a diabetes self management intervention
NCT02027259	Not a severe mental illness
NCT02029989	Not a diabetes self management intervention
NCT02053714	Not a randomised controlled trial (RCT)
NCT02160639	Not a severe mental illness
Nelson 2014	Not a severe mental illness
Petrak 2013	Not a severe mental illness
Pibernick-Okanovic 2009	Not a severe mental illness
Piette 2011a	Not a severe mental illness

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Piette 2011b	Not a severe mental illness
Robinson 2010	Not a randomised controlled trial (RCT)
Safren 2014	Not a severe mental illness
Sajatovic 2011	Not a randomised controlled trial (RCT)
Salisbury 2014	Not a diabetes self management intervention
Schneider 2011	Not a severe mental illness
Simon 2007	Not a severe mental illness
Spencer 2013	Not a severe mental illness
Stiefel 2008	Not a severe mental illness
Taveira 2011	Includes type 1 and type 2 diabetes
van Bastelaar 2009	Not a severe mental illness
van Bastelaar 2011a	Not a severe mental illness
van Bastelaar 2011b	Not a severe mental illness
van Bastelaar 2012	Not a severe mental illness
van Dijk 2013	Not a severe mental illness

Characteristics of ongoing studies *[ordered by study ID]*

Dwinger 2013

Trial name or title	**Acronym**: Intervention Trial to Decrease Cardiovascular Risk in Persons With Serious Mental Illness (IDEAL)
Methods	**Type of** trial**:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: unblinded **Primary purpose**: interventional
Participants	**Condition**: those with one or more diagnoses of the following: diabetes, coronary artery disease, asthma, hypertension, heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), chronic depression or schizophrenia **Enrolment**: 1670 participants

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	Inclusion criteria
	• ≥ 18 years old and insurants of the KKH statutory health insurance
	• ≥ 1 diagnoses of the following
	  ○ Diabetes
	  ○ Coronary artery disease
	  ○ Asthma
	  ○ Hypertension
	  ○ Heart failure
	  ○ Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
	  ○ Chronic depression
	  ○ Schizophrenia
	• For participants with type 2 diabetes, hypertension or coronary artery disease, a risk score for hospital re-admission will be calculated. If the calculated risk for hospital re-admission within the next year is greater than 50%, the person will be included in the trial
	Exclusion criteria
	• Insufficient German language skills
	• Hard of hearing
	• Not able to read or use a phone

Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: telephone-based health coaching **Comparator(s)**: no coaching (treatment as usual)
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Time from enrolment until hospital re-admission (time frame: 24 months) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Health service use (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Health service cost (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Frequency of inability to work (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Duration of inability to work (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Mortality (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Quality of life (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Depression and anxiety (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Alcohol consumption (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Medication adherence (time frame:12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Physical activity (time frame:12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • HbA1c (time frame:12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Blood pressure (time frame:12 months, 24 months and 36 months) **Other outcome(s)** • Health status with SF-12 (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Quality of life (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Medication adherence (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months) • Medication use for cardiovascular risk factors (time frame: 12 months, 24 months and 36 months)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: 2011 **Trial completion date**: unknown
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Prof. Martin Härter; m.haerter@uke.de
Study identifier	**German Clinical Trials Register (Deutsches Register Klinischer Studien, DRKS):** DRKS00000584

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Dwinger 2013 (*Continued*)

Official title	Telephone-Based Health Coaching for Chronically Ill Patients: Study Protocol for a Randomised Controlled Trial
Stated purpose of study	**Quote**: "Aim of this study is to evaluate telephone-based health coaching for chronically ill patients in Germany"
Notes	-

NCT00525304

Trial name or title	A Self-Management Program for Adults With Both Schizophrenia and a Co-occurring Medical Condition
Methods	**Type of** trial**:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: open-label **Primary purpose**: supportive care
Participants	**Condition**: schizophrenia **Enrollment**: 100 participants **Inclusion criteria** • Meets DSM-IV criteria for schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder • Current documented chart diagnosis of ≥ 1 chronic medical condition • Received clinic services for a minimum of 3 months before trial entry • English-speaking • Willing to use an effective form of birth control throughout the trial if sexually active **Exclusion criteria** • History of a serious neurological disorder or head trauma with loss of consciousness • Diagnosed with mental retardation or dementia • Diagnosed with end-stage organ disease • Currently receiving chemotherapy and/or radiation treatment for cancer • Received psychiatric hospitalisation within 3 months before trial entry date • Blind and/or deaf • Pregnant • Infected with HIV with a CD4 count < 350 • Diagnosis of AIDS • Diagnosis of anorexia • Problematic substance use, as defined by a mental health provider • Psychiatric instability, as defined by a mental health provider
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: behavioural: self management programme for chronic illness. Self management programme for chronic illness will include between 10 and 16 psychoeducational and supportive group sessions **Comparator(s)**: not reported
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Health-related self efficacy and recovery orientation (time frame: measured before and after intervention)

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	• Medical illness self management skills (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Social and communication skills during interactions with healthcare providers (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Physical and mental health status (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Medical service use patterns (time frame: measured before and after intervention) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Medication use (time frame: measured throughout the trial) • Neurocognition (time frame: measured at baseline) • Substance abuse (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Psychiatric symptoms (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Quantity and seriousness of related co-morbidities (time frame: measured before and after intervention) • Quantitative and qualitative survey ratings (time frame: measured throughout the trial)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: September 2007 **Trial completion date**: May 2015
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Richard W. Goldberg, PhD; 410-706-8473; rgoldber@psych.umaryland.edu
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT00525304
Official title	Optimizing Chronic Illness Self-Management for Individuals With Schizophrenia
Stated purpose of study	**Quote:** "This study will develop and evaluate the effectiveness of a self-management program for adults living with both schizophrenia and a co-occurring medical condition"
Notes	Acccording to ClinicalTrials.gov the information of this record has not been verified recently. Last accessed: 14.04.2016

NCT01410357

Trial name or title	Improving Outcomes for Individuals With Serious Mental Illness and Diabetes (TTIM)
Methods	**Type of trial:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: open-label **Primary purpose**: supportive care
Participants	**Conditions** • Diabetes mellitus • Bipolar disorder • Depression • Psychotic disorders • Schizophrenia **Enrolment**: 212 participants **Inclusion criteria**

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	• Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM-IV) diagnosis of schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder or major depression • DM based upon previous diagnosis or laboratory values • ≥ 18 years of age • Able to communicate in English • Able to provide written, informed consent for participation **Exclusion criteria** • Actively suicidal/homicidal • Unable to be rated on trial rating scales • Demented • Pregnant • Unable to provide informed consent
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: targeted training in illness management (TTIM): This intervention blends psychoeducation, problem identification/goal setting, behavioural modelling and reinforcement via use of peer educators and health care linkage; it has been adapted to the primary care setting and targeted for SMI-DM participants. Generalisability is enhanced by relatively brief in-person participation requirements, and by inclusion of professional staff typically found in primary care. TTIM will stress information sharing that is accessible to participants and, through a collaborative process, will foster motivation for severe mental illness diabetes self management **Comparator(s)**: treatment as usual (TAU): Participants in this arm will continue to receive treatment as usual from their usual medical and mental health care providers. They will not receive any intervention
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Change from baseline in Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale (BPRS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Montgomery Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Clinical Global Impression (CGI) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Sheehan Disability Scale (SDS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in SF-36 Health Survey at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in glycosylated haemoglobin (HbA1c) at 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in blood pressure at 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in body mass index (BMI) at 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in heart rate at 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Change from baseline in Tablets Routine Questionnaire (TRQ) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Self rated Diabetes Self Care Activities (SDSCA) Questionnaire at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks)

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	• Change from baseline in Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Smoking Index at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in mental health resource utilisation at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in medical care resource utilisation at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Drug Abuse Screening Test (DAST-10) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) **Other Outcome Measure(s)** • Change from baseline in Michigan Diabetes Research and Training Center's Brief Diabetes Knowledge Test at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Perceived Diabetes Self Management Scale (PDSMS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Perceived Mental Health Self Management Scale (PMHSMS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Perceived Therapeutice Efficacy Scale for Diabetes (PTES for DM) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Insight and Treatment Attitudes Questionnaire (ITAQ) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Multi-dimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support (MSPSS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Internalized Stigma for Mental Illness Scale (ISMI) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks) • Change from baseline in Barriers to Self Care Scale (BSCS) at 13 weeks, 30 weeks and 60 weeks (time frame: baseline, 13 weeks, 30 weeks, 60 weeks)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: July 2011 **Trial completion date**: July 2015
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Martha Sajatovic, MD; Case Western Reserve University
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT01410357
Official title	Improving Outcomes for Individuals With Serious Mental Illness and Diabetes
Stated purpose of study	**Quote:** "This project tests a model for improving illness self-management among persons who have both serious mental illness and diabetes and will be performed within a primary care setting at a safety net hospital system"
Notes	Study completed. No study results nor publications available. Last accessed: 14.04.2016

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NCT01725815

Trial name or title	**Acronym**: Health Access and Recovery Peer Program (HARP)
Methods	**Type of trial:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: single-blind (outcomes assessor) **Primary purpose**: treatment
Participants	**Conditions** • Hypertension • Arthritis • Coronary artery disease • Hepatitis • Diabetes • Asthma • Hyperlipidaemia • HIV **Enrolment**: 400 **Inclusion criteria** • On CMHC roster of active patients • Presence of a serious mental illness (schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder, major depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder) • Chronic medical condition as noted in the CMHC chart or via self report (hypertension; arthritis; heart disease; diabetes; asthma/COPD) **Exclusion criteria** • Cognitive impairment based on a score > 3 on a 6-item, validated screener developed for clinical research
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: behavioural: HARP intervention The HARP intervention is a 6-week, 6-session, group format intervention designed to improve self management of chronic medical diseases. Each group lasts 90 minutes and includes 8 to 12 attendees. Between groups, participants work with partners from the group to troubleshoot problems and accomplish action plans identified during the session. At the end of the programme, monthly alumni groups meet for 6 months to reinforce lessons from the intervention, to monitor progress and to maintain peer support **Comparator(s)**: no intervention control
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Health-related quality of life (time frame: 1 year) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Participant activation (time frame: 1 year) health behaviours (time frame: 1 year)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: June 2011 **Trial completion date**: April 2016
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Benjamin Druss, MD, MPH; Emory University
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT01725815
Official title	A Peer-Led, Medical Disease Self-Management Program for Mental Health Consumers

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Stated purpose of study	**Quote**: "establish the first fully peer-led, evidence-based intervention for improving physical self-management in this vulnerable population"
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NCT01828931

Trial name or title	Lifestyle Intervention for Diabetes and Weight Management in Psychosis (Healthy LIFE)
Methods	**Type of** trial**:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: open-label **Primary purpose**: treatment
Participants	**Conditions** • Type 2 diabetes mellitus • Schizophrenia • Schizoaffective disorder • Schizophreniform disorder • Bipolar I disorder • Major depression with psychotic features • Substance-induced psychosis • Psychosis **Enrolment**: 120 participants **Inclusion criteria** • Between the ages of 18 and 70 years (inclusive) • DSM-IV-TR diagnosis of one of the psychotic disorders listed above • Body mass index (BMI) > 25 kg/m^2 at the time of enrolment • Clearly documented diagnosis of type 2 diabetes mellitus or pre-diabetes • Ability to provide informed consent • No medical contraindication to participation in weight reduction/exercise programme, determined in consultation with the primary care physician • Female participants of childbearing potential, who are using a medically accepted means of contraception **Exclusion criteria** • Inability to give informed consent • Currently enrolled in a formal structured weight management programme • Currently being prescribed medication specifically for weight loss. • Participants with unstable or active cardiovascular illnesses (myocardial infarction, CHF, etc), active or end-stage renal disease, unstable thyroid disease, etc. • Recurrent episodes of diabetic ketoacidosis, seizure or coma without warning or severe hypoglycaemia
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: lifestyle intervention - a lifestyle intervention based on the Look AHEAD trial intervention, involving counselling related to dietary and physical activity habits **Comparator(s)**: usual care - standard care provided via participants' family physicians, diabetes nurses and psychiatrists

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Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Weight (time frame: 52 weeks) • HbA1c levels (time frame: 52 weeks)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: December 2012 **Trial completion date**: December 2015
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Margaret K Hahn, MD; Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT01828931
Official title	Effectiveness of Intensive Lifestyle Interventions in the Management of Diabetes in Individuals With Psychosis
Stated purpose of study	**Quote:** "We propose a 3-year randomised controlled trial examining the effectiveness of a lifestyle intervention (LI) aimed at reducing caloric intake and increasing physical activity in overweight or obese individuals (N=150) suffering from both a psychotic illness and T2DM"
Notes	-

NCT02011529

Trial name or title	**Acronym**: TEAMcare for Diabetes in Mental Health Centers
Methods	**Type of trial:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: open-label **Primary purpose**: treatment
Participants	**Condition**: type 2 diabetes **Enrollment**: 40 participants **Inclusion criteria** • Adult (18 to 70 years) • Enrolled to receive mental health treatment at Harborview Mental Health Services or Downtown Emergency Services Mental Health Center • Diagnosis of type 2 diabetes mellitus or cardiovascular disease • Hemoglobin A1c > 8 or BP > 140/90 **Exclusion criteria** • Cognitive, hearing or language impairment that would preclude a participant from providing informed consent • Current suicidality, homicidality or grave disability that requires psychiatric hospitalisation • Current substance abuse or dependence, as defined by SCID
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: TEAMcare is an evidence-based collaborative care approach to the treatment of diabetes and psychiatric illness. It involves structured visits with a trial nurse for monitoring of psychiatric symptoms, control of medical disease and performance of self care activities. Nurses use motivational coaching to help

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	participants solve problems and set goals for improved self care and medication adherence. Medications for diabetes, hypertension and hyperlipidaemia are monitored and therapy intensified on the basis of treat-to-target guidelines. All of these processes and outcome measures are tracked in a registry designed for the trial, and nurses receive weekly supervision by a psychiatrist, an endocrinologist and a psychologist to review new cases and to track progress. Once a participant achieves targeted levels for relevant measures, the participant and the nurse develop a maintenance plan **Comparator(s)**: treatment as usual: Participants randomised to treatment as usual will receive their usual mental health treatment and primary care treatment
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Hemoglobin A1c (time frame: 6 months) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Blood pressure (time frame: 6 months) • LDL cholesterol (time frame: 6 months) **Other outcome(s)** • Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale (BPRS) (time frame: 6 months)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: November 2013 **Trial completion date**: September 2015
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Lydia Chwastiak, Associate Professor, University of Washington
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT02011529
Official title	A Team Approach to Improve the Quality of Diabetes Care for Patients With Schizophrenia
Stated purpose of study	Quote: "To demonstrate the feasibility and acceptability of adapting TEAMcare for patients with schizophrenia. The aim of this innovative mental health center-based team intervention is to improve diabetes, cardiovascular and psychiatric outcomes among patients with poorly controlled type 2 diabetes"
Notes	Study completed. No study results nor publications available. Last accessed: 14.04.2016

NCT02127671

Trial name or title	**Acronym**: Intervention Trial to Decrease Cardiovascular Risk in Persons With Serious Mental Illness (IDEAL)
Methods	**Type of trial:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: single-blind (outcomes assessor) **Primary purpose**: prevention
Participants	**Condition**: 1 of the following CVD risk factors: hypertension, diabetes mellitus or dyslipidaemia **Enrollment**: 250 participants **Inclusion criteria** • Age 18 and older • Body mass index $\geq$ 25 kg/m^2 OR 1 of the following CVD risk factors

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	○ Hypertension (SBP ≥ 140 mmHg or DBP ≥ 90 mmHg or on antihypertensive medications ○ Diabetes mellitus (fasting blood sugar > 125 mg/dL or haemoglobin A1c > 6.5 or on a hypoglycaemic medication) ○ Dyslipidemia (LDL > 130 mg/dL) • HDL < 40 or total cholesterol ≥ 200 or on a lipid-lowering agent • Current tobacco smoker • Able and willing to give informed consent • Completion of baseline data collection • Willing to accept randomisation • Willing to participate in the intervention **Exclusion criteria** • Cardiovascular event (unstable angina, myocardial infarction) within the past 6 months • Serious medical condition that limits life expectancy or requires active management (e.g. certain cancers) • Condition that interferes with outcome measurement (e.g. dialysis) • Pregnant or planning a pregnancy during trial period. Nursing mothers would need approval from physician • Alcohol or substance use disorder if not sober/abstinent for 30 days • Planning to leave rehabilitation centre or clinic within 6 months or to move out of geographic area within 18 months • Investigator judgement (e.g. for concerns about participant or staff safety)
Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: individual cardiovascular risk reduction counselling, co-ordination with primary care providers to ensure appropriate management of risk factors, collaboration with mental health staff and social supports. All participants will be offered group exercise classes, and programmes will be provided with instruction to provide more healthy meals **Comparator(s)**: control - All participants will be offered group exercise classes, and programmes will be provided with instruction to provide more healthy meals
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Global Framingham Risk Score (time frame: 18 months) **Secondary outcome(s)** • Weight (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • BMI (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Six-minute walk test (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Healthy diet (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Fasting glucose level (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Diabetes mellitus treated to goal (HbA1c) (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Smoking cessation (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Blood pressure (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Hypertension treated to goal (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Total cholesterol (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • LDL cholesterol (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • HDL cholesterol (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Triglycerides (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Dyslipidaemia treated to goal (time frame: 6 and 18 months) **Other outcome(s)** • Health status with SF-12 (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Quality of life (time frame: 6 and 18 months)

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	• Medication adherence (time frame: 6 and 18 months) • Medication use for cardiovascular risk factors (time frame: 6 and 18 months)
Starting date	**Trial start date**: December 2013 **Trial completion date**: January 2018
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Gail L. Daumit, MD, MHS; Johns Hopkins University
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT02127671
Official title	Comprehensive CVD Risk Reduction Trial in Persons With Serious Mental Illness
Stated purpose of study	**Quote**: "This study will determine whether a program where a health coach works with participants on heart healthy behaviours and treatment of risk factors is coordinated with primary care can reduce overall heart disease risk in people with serious mental illness"
Notes	-

NCT02188732

Trial name or title	Self-Management Training and Automated Telehealth to Improve SMI Health Outcomes
Methods	**Type of trial:** interventional **Allocation**: randomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: single-blind (outcomes assessor) **Primary purpose**: supportive care
Participants	**Conditions** • Schizophrenia • Schizoaffective disorder • Bipolar disorder • Depression **Enrollment**: 300 **Inclusion criteria** • Age 18 or older and enrolled in treatment for ≥ 3 months • Severe mental illness as defined by (1) primary DSM-IV (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition) Axis I diagnosis of schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, bipolar disorder or major depressive disorder; (2) moderate impairment across multiple areas of psychosocial functioning, including social relationships, self care, community/work activity, treatment self management and community living skills; (3) GAF (Global Assessment of Functioning) score < 61. A broad range of severe mental illnesses are included primarily because this will make findings more generalisable to routine mental health settings, but also because we included this group in our pilot studies • Diagnosis of 1 of the following medical illnesses or health conditions: diabetes, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic pain, hyperlipidaemia, hypertension, obesity, tobacco dependence • Voluntary informed consent for participation in the trial provided by the participant or by the participant's legally designated guardian • An expressed willingness to participate in self management training or a telehealth programme

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	• Ability to read the telehealth display in English **Exclusion criteria** • Current residence in a nursing home or group home • Terminal physical illness expected to result in death of the trial participant within 12 to 24 months • Primary diagnosis of dementia, co-morbid diagnosis of dementia or significant cognitive impairment as indicated by a Mini Mental State Examination (MMSE) 74 score < 24
Interventions	**Intervention(s)** • Experimental: CBHH + AT (Community-Based Health Home + Automated Telehealth): a wireless telehealth device programmed with psychiatric content corresponding to the primary psychiatric diagnosis, and medical content tailored to the primary medical diagnosis. Daily interactive sessions last 5 to 10 minutes. Branching logic tailors questions or feedback to the user's responses (e.g. if a participant endorses medication non-adherence, a question appears asking why medications were not taken). The device automatically provides specific instructions to participants demonstrating signs of high risk • Active comparator: CBHH + SMT (Community-Based Health Home + I-IMR Self Management Training): integrates psychiatric illness self management with strategies for medical illness self management. The psychiatric component includes psychoeducation about illness and treatment, cognitive-behavioural approaches to increase medication adherence, training and relapse prevention, teaching of coping skills for management of persistent symptoms and social skills training. The medical illness component consists of an individually tailored curriculum focused on managing physical illnesses by using parallel skills and strategies taught for psychiatric illness self management, as well as a nurse healthcare manager to facilitate co-ordination of necessary preventive and ongoing health care. The I-IMR curriculum consists of 10 modules delivered by an I-IMR specialist during eight months of weekly sessions customised to the specific needs and disorders of each individual **Comparator(s)**: Community-Based Health Home (CBHH): Each team has a staff-to-participant ratio of approximately 1:12, and each team serves approximately 120 participants with severe mental illness by using person-centred planning and recovery-oriented, flexible service models. Each team provides mobile outreach and includes a team leader; a peer counsellor; a psychiatric nurse co-ordinator; a clinical care co-ordinator; specialists in substance abuse (dual diagnosis), community integration, rehabilitation, employment and housing; and a medical nurse practitioner (MNP) and a health outreach worker (HOW)
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Change in health self management (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ Self Rated Abilities for Health Practices Scale • Change in risk of early mortality (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ Avoidable Mortality Risk Index • Change in acute service use (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ Emergency room visits and hospitalisations **Secondary outcome(s)** • Change in mental health self management (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ Illness Management and Recovery Scale • Change in psychiatric symptom severity (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale • Change in acute care costs (time frame: change from baseline at 12 and 24 months) ○ Emergency room and hospitalisation costs **Other outcome(s)** • Change in subjective health status (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months)

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	○ SF-12 • Change in cardiovascular risk factors (time frame: change from baseline at 4, 8, 12 and 24 months) ○ BMI, tobacco use, blood pressure, glucose, lipids
Starting date	**Trial start date**: September 2014 **Trial completion date**: August 2019
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Stephen J. Bartels, MD, MS; sbartels@dartmouth,edu; or Maghan Santos, MSW; maghan.m.santos@dartmouth.edu
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT02188732
Official title	Self-Management Training and Automated Telehealth to Improve SMI Health Outcomes
Stated purpose of study	Quote: "To evaluate outcomes for n=100 in a Community Based Health Home alone (CBHH), compared to n=100 also receiving Self-Management Training (CBHH+SMT), and n=100 also receiving Automated Telehealth (CBHH+AT)"
Notes	-

NCT02318797

Trial name or title	Optimizing Behavioral Health Homes for Adults With Serious Mental Illness (PCORI OH)
Methods	**Type of** trial**: i**nterventional **Allocation**:**r**andomised **Intervention model**: parallel assignment **Masking**: single-blind (investigator) **Primary purpose**: Health Services Research
Participants	**Conditions** • Chronic disease • Mental health • Behavioural health • Cardiovascular disease • Diabetes mellitus type 2 • Substance-related disorder • Vascular disease **Enrollment**: 1229 participants **Inclusion criteria** • Adults age 21 and older • Serious mental illness (schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression) • Receive services at 1 of the 11 participating community mental health centres • At least 1 claim for outpatient case management or peer specialist services **Exclusion criteria** • Not willing to provide informed consent • Assessed by clinicians as too ill to be treated on an outpatient basis • Unable to speak, read or understand English at the minimum required level

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Interventions	**Intervention(s)**: patient self directed care, patient self management toolkits, web portal with information on health conditions, personal health care use data, health tracking tools, wellness programmes **Comparator(s)**: provider-supported integrated care registered nurse on staff at community mental health centres with access to patient-level physical health information. to work with participants on co-ordinating their care, to enhance communication between providers and payer and to provide patient wellness support and education
Outcomes	**Primary outcome(s)** • Change in patient activation in care (PAM, a 13-item scale) (time frame: baseline and every 6 months over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Assessed using the PAM, a 13-item scale that renders a total activation score. This measure gauges the knowledge, skills and confidence of patients essential to managing their own health and health care. It divides into progressively higher levels of activation: starting to take a role, building knowledge and confidences, taking action and maintaining behaviours • Change in health status (SF-12v2™) (time frame: baseline and every 6 months over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Health status is measured using the SF-12v2™, a widely used and practical health survey tool consisting of 12 questions and two subscales for measuring physical and mental health status and symptom effects and functioning • Change in engagement in primary/specialty care (frequency of primary/specialty care visits) (time frame: updated annually using claims data over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Frequency of primary/specialty care visits over 12-month time periods **Secondary outcome(s)** • Change in hope (Hope Scale) (time frame: baseline and every 6 months over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Participant hopefulness will be assessed using the Hope Scale, an instrument designed to measure hope that has been previously used in health services research. Twelve items are rated on a 4-point response scale ranging from "definitely false" to "definitely true" and summed to produce a total score. Research has found Hope Scale scores to be positively associated with goal-related activities and coping strategies • Change in quality of life (QLESQ) (time frame: baseline and every 6 months over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Participant quality of life is measured using the QLESQ (Quality of Life Enjoyment and Satisfaction Questionnaire), in which participants respond on a scale of 1 (very poor) to 5 (very good) to indicate their level of satisfaction with a variety of social and physical domains • Change in medication adherence (claims data) (time frame: updated annually using claims data over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Physical health claims data will be obtained to determine the fill rate for psychiatric and medical medications for participants over 12-month time periods • Change in functional status (Sheehan Disability Scale) (time frame: baseline and every 6 months over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Functional status is measured using the Sheehan Disability Scale, which assesses functional impairment in 3 domains, including work/school, social and family life. Respondents rate the extent to which work/school, social life and home life or family responsibilities are impaired by symptoms • Change in emergent care use (claims data) (time frame: updated annually using claims data over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Behavioural and physical health claims data will be obtained to determine frequency of emergent service use for participants over 12-month time periods

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	• Change in lab monitoring (claims data) (time frame: updated annually using claims data over 2-year active intervention period) ○ Claims data will be collected regarding the type(s) of lab test performed and service date • Change in participant satisfaction with care (qualitative interviews) (time frame: qualitative interviews at baseline, 12 months and 24 months of active intervention ○ Participant satisfaction with care will be measured using a structured in-depth qualitative interview guide. Interviews are conducted with a subset of participants from each intervention arm at baseline, 12 months and 24 months to assess care experiences
Starting date	**Trial start date**: October 2013 **Trial completion date**: January 2017
Contact information	**Responsible party/principal investigator**: Charles F. Reynolds, MD; University of Pittsburgh; UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care
Study identifier	**NCT number**: NCT02318797
Official title	Optimizing Behavioral Health Homes by Focusing on Outcomes That Matter Most for Adults With Serious Mental Illness
Stated purpose of study	**Quote:** "test two promising ways for promoting the health, wellness, and recovery of adults with SMI"
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"-" denotes not reported

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DATA AND ANALYSES

This review has no analyses.

ADDITIONAL TABLES

Table 1. Overview of trial populations

	Intervention and comparator	Sample size [a]	Screened/ eligible [N]	Randomised [N]	Analysed [N]	Finishing trial [N]	Randomised finishing trial [%]	Follow-up[b]
McKibbin 2010	I: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART)	-	77	32	26	26	81.3	24 weeks (6 months post intervention)
	C: usual care plus information (UCI)			32	26	26	81.3	
	Total:			64	52	52	81.3	

[a] According to power calculation in trial publication or report
[b] Duration of intervention and/or follow-up under randomised conditions until end of trial
"-" denotes not reported
C: comparator; I: intervention

APPENDICES

Appendix 1. Search strategies

Cochrane Library
1. [mh "Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2"]
2. ("MODY" or "NIDDM" or T2D*):ti,ab
3. (("non insulin*" next depend*) or (noninsulin* next depend*) or noninsulindepend* or "non" next "insulindepend*"):ti,ab
4. ((typ* next (2 or II)) near/4 diabet*):ti,ab

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5. (((“late” or adult* or matur* or “slow” or stabl*) near/4 “onset”) and diabet*):ti,ab
6. {or #1-#5}
7. [mh “Diabetes Insipidus”]
8. (diabet* next “insipidus”):ti,ab
9. #7 or #8
10. #6 not #9
11. [mh ^“Mental Disorders”]
12. [mh “Affective Disorders, Psychotic”]
13. [mh “Personality disorders”]
14. [mh “Schizophrenia and Disorders with Psychotic Features”]
15. (“mental” near/4 (disorder* or “illness”)):ti,ab
16. (schizo* or psychos?s or “psychotic”):ti,ab
17. ((“bipolar” or “affective” or “personality”) next disorder*):ti,ab
18. [mh ^“Depressive Disorder, Major”]
19. ((“major” or “unipolar” or “clinical” or “recurrent”) next depress*):ti,ab
20. {or #11-#19}
21. #10 and #20

MEDLINE (Ovid SP)

1. exp Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2/
2. (MODY or NIDDM or T2D*).tw.
3. (non insulin* depend* or noninsulin* depend* or noninsulin?depend* or non insulin?depend*).tw
4. ((typ? 2 or typ? II or typ?2 or typ?II) adj3 diabet*).tw.
5. (((late or adult* or matur* or slow or stabl*) adj3 onset) and diabet*).tw
6. or/1-5
7. exp Diabetes Insipidus/
8. diabet* insipidus.tw.
9. 7 or 8
10. 6 not 9
11. Mental Disorders/
12. exp Affective Disorders, Psychotic
13. exp Personality disorders/
14. exp “Schizophrenia and Disorders with Psychotic Features”/
15. (mental adj3 (disorder* or illness)).tw.
16. (schizo* or psychos?s or psychotic).tw.
17. ((bipolar or affective or personality) adj disorder*).tw
18. Depressive Disorder, Major/
19. ((major or unipolar or clinical or recurrent) adj depress*).tw
20. or/11-19
21. 10 and 20
22. Patient Education as Topic/
23. Patient Compliance/
24. exp Self Care/
25. exp Health Promotion/
26. exp Behavior Therapy/
27. exp Health Behavior/
28. Program Evaluation/
29. Life style/

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30. Weight Loss/
31. self.tw.
32. (monitor* or manage*).tw.
33. (educat* or knowledge).tw.
34. (behav* or psychoth* or psychosocial).tw.
35. (aware* or adjust*).tw.
36. (adher* or compliance).tw.
37. (intervention? or program? or programme?).tw.
38. (lifestyle or life style).tw.
39. (weight adj3 (management or los* or reduct*)).tw.
40. or/22-39
41. 21 and 40
[42-52: Cochrane Handbook 2008 RCT filter - sensitivity maximizing version]
42. randomised controlled trial.pt.
43. controlled clinical trial.pt.
44. randomi?ed.ab.
45. placebo.ab.
46. drug therapy.fs.
47. randomly.ab.
48. trial.ab.
49. groups.ab.
50. or/42-49
51. exp animals/ not humans/
52. 50 not 51
53. 41 and 52

EMBASE (Ovid SP)

1. non insulin dependent diabetes mellitus/
2. (MODY or NIDDM or T2D*).tw.
3. (non insulin* depend* or noninsulin* depend* or noninsulin?depend* or non insulin?depend*).tw
4. ((typ? 2 or typ? II or typ?2 or typ?II) adj3 diabet*).tw.
5. (((late or adult* or matur* or slow or stabl*) adj3 onset) and diabet*).tw
6. or/1-5
7. exp diabetes insipidus/
8. diabet* insipidus.tw.
9. 7 or 8
10. 6 not 9
11. mental disease/
12. major affective disorder/
13. exp personality disorder/
14. exp psychosis/
15. (mental adj3 (disorder* or illness)).tw.
16. (schizo* or psychos?s or psychotic).tw.
17. ((bipolar or affective or personality) adj disorder*).tw
18. major depression/
19. ((major or unipolar or clinical or recurrent) adj depress*).tw
20. or/11-19
21. 10 and 20

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22. exp health education/
23. exp patient attitude/
24. exp self care/
25. behavior therapy/
26. exp health behavior/
27. exp program evaluation/
28. lifestyle/
29. weight reduction/
30. weight control/
31. self.tw.
32. (monitor* or manage*).tw.
33. (educat* or knowledge).tw.
34. (behav* or psychoth* or psychosocial).tw.
35. (aware* or adjust*).tw.
36. (adher* or compliance).tw.
37. (intervention? or program? or programme?).tw.
38. (lifestyle or life style).tw.
39. (weight adj3 (management or los* or reduct*)).tw.
40. or/22-39
41. 21 and 40
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42. random*.tw. or clinical trial*.mp. or exp health care quality/
43. 41 and 42
44. limit 43 to embase

PsycINFO (Ovid SP)

1. Diabetes Mellitus/
2. (MODY or NIDDM or T2D*).tw.
3. (non insulin* depend* or noninsulin* depend* or noninsulin?depend* or non insulin?depend*).tw
4. ((typ? 2 or typ? II or typ?2 or typ?II) adj3 diabet*).tw.
5. (((late or adult* or matur* or slow or stabl*) adj3 onset) and diabet*).tw
6. or/1-5
7. Diabetes Insipidus/
8. diabet* insipidus.tw.
9. 7 or 8
10. 6 not 9
11. Mental Disorders/
12. exp Affective Disorders/
13. exp Personality Disorders/
14. exp Psychosis/
15. (mental adj3 (disorder* or illness)).tw.
16. (schizo* or psychos?s or psychotic).tw.
17. ((bipolar or affective or personality) adj disorder*).tw
18. exp Major Depression/
19. ((major or unipolar or clinical or recurrent) adj depress*).tw
20. or/11-19
21. 10 and 20
22. Health Education/ or Health Literacy/ or Client Education/

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23. Disease Management/ or Coping Behavior/ or Self Care Skills/
24. Health Behavior/ or Treatment Compliance/
25. Health Promotion/ or Health Attitudes/
26. "Physical Illness (Attitudes Toward)"/ or Illness Behavior/
27. exp Program Evaluation/
28. exp Behavior Therapy/
29. exp Lifestyle/
30. Weight Loss/ or Weight Control/
31. self.tw.
32. (monitor* or manage*).tw.
33. (educat* or knowledge).tw.
34. (behav* or psychoth* or psychosocial).tw.
35. (aware* or adjust*).tw.
36. (adher* or compliance).tw.
37. (intervention? or program? or programme?).tw.
38. (lifestyle or life style).tw.
39. (weight adj3 (management or los* or reduct*)).tw.
40. or/22-39
41. 21 and 40
[42: Eady 2008 "PsycInfo Search Strategies" filter - BS version]
42. control*.tw. OR random*.tw. OR exp Treatment/
43. 41 and 42

CINAHL (via EBSCO)

S1 MH "Diabetes Mellitus, Type 2+"
S2 TX (MODY OR NIDDM OR T2D*)
S3 TX ("non insulin* depend*" OR "noninsulin* depend*" OR noninsulin#depend* OR "non insulin#depend*")
S4 TX (("typ* 2" OR "typ* II" OR typ#2 OR typ#II) N3 diabet*)
S5 TX (((late OR adult* OR matur* OR slow OR stabl*) N3 onset) AND diabet*)
S6 S1 OR S2 OR S3 OR S4 OR S5
S7 MH "Mental Disorders" OR MH "Mental Disorders, Chronic" OR MH "Psychotic Disorders+" OR MH "Personality Disorders+" OR (MH "Depression+")
S8 TX (mental N3 (disORder* OR disease* OR illness))
S9 TX (schizo* OR psychos#s OR psychotic)
S10 TX ((bipolar OR affective OR personality) N1 disorder)
S11 TX ((major OR unipolar OR clinical OR recurrent) N1 depress*)
S12 S7 OR S8 OR S9 OR S10 OR S11
S13 S6 AND S12
S14 MH "Health Education+" OR MH "Health Behavior+" OR MH "Coping" OR MH "Self Care+" OR MH "Health Promotion"
S15 MH "Behavior Therapy+" OR MH "Program Evaluation"
S16 MH "Life Style+" OR MH "Weight Loss" OR MH "Weight Control"
S17 TX (self OR monitor* OR manage* OR educat* OR knowledge OR behav* OR psychoth* OR psychosocial OR aware* OR adjust* OR adher* OR compliance)
S18 TX (intervention# OR program# OR programme# OR lifestyle OR "life style")
S19 TX (weight N3 (management OR los* OR reduct*))
S20 S14 OR S15 OR S16 OR S17 OR S18 OR S19
S21 S13 AND S20
[S22: Wong 2006b "therapy studies" filter - BS version]

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S22 MH "prognosis+" OR MH "study design+" OR random*
S23 S21 AND S22
ICTRP Search Portal (Standard search)
diabet* AND mental illness* OR
diabet* AND mental disorder* OR
diabet* AND mental disease* OR
diabet* AND schizo* OR
diabet* AND psychosis OR
diabet* AND psychoses OR
diabet* AND psychotic OR
diabet* AND bipolar OR
diabet* AND affective disorder* OR
diabet* AND personality disorder* OR
diabet* AND major depress* OR
diabet* AND unipolar depress* OR
diabet* AND clinical depress* OR
diabet* AND recurrent depress* OR
diabet* AND severe depress*
ClinicalTrials.gov (Advanced search)
Search Terms: (diabetes OR diabetic) AND (mental OR schizophrenia OR psychosis OR psychoses OR psychotic OR bipolar OR affective OR personality OR major depression OR major depressive OR clinical depression OR unipolar depression OR recurrent depression) **Study Type:** Interventional Studies **Age Group:** Adult, Senior

Appendix 2. Description of interventions

	Intervention	Comparator
McKibbin 2010	The Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training (DART) intervention was a group, face-to-face, 24-week self management programme. DART comprised 3 modules: (1) basic diabetes education (sessions 1 to 4, repeated at sessions 13 to 16); (2) nutrition (sessions 5 to 8, repeated at sessions 17 to 20); and (3) lifestyle exercise (sessions 9 to 12, repeated at sessions 21 to 24). Each module contained four 90-minute manualised sessions. Basic education included an explanation of motivation and a review of blood sugar in symptoms of low and high blood sugar, diabetes complications, how to use a glucose meter, doctor visits and how to talk with your	Usual care plus information (UCI) consisted of usual care delivered by participants' providers and 3 brochures provided by the American Diabetes Association relevant to diabetes management (i.e. basic diabetes education, nutrition, exercise)

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	doctor and medication. Nutrition education included a review of food groups, portion sizes, healthy meals and food labels, and replacing sugar with fat and fibre. Lifestyle and exercise education reviewed different types of exercise, how exercise impacts blood sugar, tracking exercise using a pedometer and foot care during exercise Personnel adapted educational materials for people of middle age and older with schizophrenia by introducing 1 or 2 topics per session, providing an overview and summary of the materials, implementing a teach and query training method, using mnemonic aids and print materials with larger font and limiting text. Participants were given simple guidelines about how they might lead a healthier lifestyle, such as switching from regular soda or fruit punch to diet soda or water One diabetes-trained mental health professional delivered the intervention. These facilitators did not make contact with participants' healthcare providers, and they encouraged participants to speak with their physician about their diabetes and provided guidance on how to record laboratory results and examination findings	

Appendix 3. Baseline characteristics (I)

	Intervention and comparator	Duration of intervention (duration of follow-up)	Description of participants	Trial period (year to year)	Country	Setting
McKibbin 2010	I: DART C: UCI	24 weeks (6 months post intervention)	Participants with type 2 diabetes and schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder	-	USA	Community

"-" denotes not reported
C: comparator; DART: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training; UCI: usual care plus information; I: intervention; SD: standard deviation

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Appendix 4. Baseline characteristics (II)

	Intervention and comparator	Sex [female %]	Age [mean years (SD)]	Ethnicity [%]	Duration of diabetes [mean years (SD)]	Type of severe mental illness [%]	Age of onset of severe mental illness [mean years (SD)]
McKibbin 2010	I: DART	38	52 (10.1)	White: 45 African American: 31 Hispanic: 17 Asian: 7 Native American: 0	8.9 (5.8)	Schizophrenia: 79 Schizoaffective: 21	25.7 (12.3)
	C: UCI	38	54 (8.4)	White: 72 African American: 10 Hispanic: 7 Asian: 3 Native American: 7	8.6 (6.5)	Schizophrenia: 90 Schizoaffective: 10	29.3 (11.8)

"-" denotes not reported
C: comparator; DART: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training; I: intervention; SD: standard deviation; UCI: usual care plus information

Appendix 5. Baseline characteristics (III)

	Intervention and comparator	HbA1c [mean % (SD)]	BMI [mean kg/m² (SD)]	Diastolic blood pressure [mean mmHg (SD)]	Systolic blood pressure [mean mmHg (SD)]	Glucose control agents [%]	Antipsychotic medication [%]	Comorbidities [%]
McKibbin 2010	I: DART	7.4 (2.9)	33.6 (6.8)	83 (10)	134 (17)	Diet only: 15 Oral agent only: 69 Insulin only: 12 Oral agent and insulin:	Aripiprazole or ziprasidone: 25 Risperidone or quetiapine: 46 Cloza-	-

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						4	pine or olanzapine: 29	
	C: UCI	6.7 (2.1)	32.9 (6.2)	85 (13)	132 (15)	Diet only: 10 Oral agent only: 72 Insulin only: 3 Oral agent and insulin: 14	Aripiprazole or ziprasidone: 21 Risperidone or quetiapine: 48 Clozapine or olanzapine: 313	-

"-" denotes not reported
BMI: body mass index; C: comparator; DART: Diabetes Awareness and Rehabilitation Training; HbA1c: glycosylated haemoglobin A1c; I: intervention; SD: standard deviation; UCI: usual care plus information

Appendix 6. Matrix of trial endpoints (publications and trial documents)

	Endpoints quoted in trial document(s) (ClinicalTrials.gov, FDA/EMA document, manufacturer's website, published design paper) [a]	**Trial results posted in trial register [Yes/No]**	**Publications specified in trial register [No/Citation]**	**Endpoints quoted in publication** [b]
McKibbin 2010	N/T	No	No	Diabetes knowledge, self efficacy (Leutwyler 2010 (see McKibbin 2006) Weight, body mass index, waist circumference, blood pressure, fasting blood glucose, HbA1c, cholesterol, high-density lipoprotein, low-density lipoprotein, triglycerides, diabetes knowledge, self efficacy, energy expenditure, activity levels, total kilocalories consumed, total minutes of activity (McKibbin

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				2006) BMI, weight, waist circumference, HbA1c, diabetes knowledge, energy expenditure (McKibbin 2010)

[a] Trial document(s) refers to all available information from published design papers and sources other than regular publications (e.g. FDA/EMA documents, manufacturer's websites, trial registers)
[b] Publication refers to trial information published in scientific journals (primary reference, duplicate publications, companion documents or multiple reports of a primary trial)
EMA: European Medicines Agency; FDA: Food and Drug Administration (US); N/T: no trial document available

Appendix 7. Examination of outcome reporting bias according to ORBIT classification

	Outcome	High risk of bias (category A)[a]	High risk of bias (category D)[b]	High risk of bias (category E)[c]	High risk of bias (category G)[d]
McKibbin 2010	Self care behaviours	N/A	N/A	Total activity, total calories consumed and total minutes of activity were measured immediately following the intervention, but not at 6-month follow-up, and were not analysed as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored. Total energy expenditure was measured both immediately following the intervention and at 6-month follow-up but was not analysed as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on ef-	N/A

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				fectiveness of the intervention were explored	
	Diabetes-related complications	N/I	N/I	N/I	N/I
	Adverse events	N/I	N/I	N/I	N/I
	All-cause mortality	N/I	N/I	N/I	N/I
	Self efficacy	N/A	N/A	Self efficacy was measured and analysed immediately following the intervention and was analysed as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored. Self efficacy at 6 months post intervention was not reported	
	Progression of severe mental illness	N/A	N/A	Symptoms were measured at baseline and following the intervention by the PANSS and the Hamilton Depression Scale, as indicated in Leutwyler 2010 (see McKibbin 2006), but these results are not reported in McKibbin 2006 nor McKibbin 2010	N/A
	HbA1c	N/A	N/A	HbA1c was measured immediately following the intervention and at 6-month follow-up but was not looked at as an outcome	N/A

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				when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored	
	Body mass index	N/A	N/A	BMI was measured and analysed immediately following the intervention and at 6-month follow-up but was not looked at as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored	N/A
	Weight	N/A	N/A	Weight was measured and analysed immediately following the intervention and at 6-month follow-up but was not looked at as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored	N/A
	Blood pressure	N/A	N/A	Blood pressure was measured and analysed immediately following the intervention, but results are not reported at 6-month follow-up and were not analysed as an outcome when moderating effects of symptoms on effectiveness of the intervention were explored	N/A

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	Change in antipsychotic treatment type	The article reports no significant changes in antipsychotic treatment type from baseline to 6-month follow-up; however, no data were provided	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Change in diabetes treatment type	The article reports no significant changes in antipsychotic treatment type between trial arms over time; however, no data were provided	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Socioeconomic effects	N/I	N/I	N/I	N/I

[a] Clear that outcome was measured and analysed; trial report states that outcome was analysed but reports only that result was not significant
(Classification 'A', table 2, Kirkham 2010)
[b] Clear that outcome was measured and analysed; trial report states that outcome was analysed but reports no results
(Classification 'D', table 2, Kirkham 2010)
[c] Clear that outcome was measured but was not necessarily analysed; judgement says likely to have been analysed but not reported because of non-significant results
(Classification 'E', table 2, Kirkham 2010)
[d] Unclear whether outcome was measured; not mentioned, but clinical judgement says likely to have been measured and analysed but not reported on the basis of non-significant results
(Classification 'G', table 2, Kirkham 2010)
N/A: not applicable N/I: not investigated

Appendix 8. Definition of endpoint measurement (I)

	Self care behaviours [IO, SO][a]	**Diabetes-related complications**	**Adverse events**	**All-cause mortality**	**Health-related quality of life**	**Diabetes knowledge [SO][a]**	**Self efficacy [SO][a]**	**Progression of severe mental illness [SO][a]**
McKibbin 2010	For measure of dietary in-	N/I	N/I	N/I	N/I	23-Item diabetes knowl-	28-Item Diabetes Em-	Depressive symptom

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	take, participants were asked to rank how often they consumed 70 different foods in the past month on the Block Brief 2000 Revision of the Health and Habits and History Questionnaire. Outcome is total calories consumed, lower is positive (SO) For measure of physical activity, participants completed the Yale Physical Activity Scale (YPAS). The YPAS provides 2 indices: total energy expenditure (TEE) and total activity summary index (TASI). Higher scores are positive (SO) Physical					edge test. Higher scores reflect greater knowledge (SO)	powerment Scale. Higher scores reflect higher confidence (SO)	severity was measured using the 28-item Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAM-D) . Unable to tell whether higher is positive (SO) Positive and negative mood was measured using the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) . Unable to tell whether higher is positive (SO)

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	activity was also measured by an accelerometer (AM7164) (Computer Science and Applications (CSA), a small, lightweight device that is worn on a belt around the waist. The number of minutes of moderate and vigorous activity (MVA) was derived for each valid day of monitoring (i.e. ≥ 3 days of data, 10 hours per day) and averaged across those days. Higher scores positive (IO)							

[a] Method of endpoint evaluation.
AO: adjudicated outcome measurement; IO: investigator-assessed outcome measurement; SO: self reported outcome measurement
N/I: not investigated

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Appendix 9. Definition of endpoint measurement (II)

	HbA1c [AO][a]	Body mass index [SO][a]	Weight [SO][a]	Blood pressure [IO][a]	Change in medication or intensity of drug treatment	Socioeconomic effects
McKibbin 2010	A 10-mL blood sample was collected after a 12-hour fast and was assayed by the UCSD Clinical Research Center using established protocols. Lower scores are positive (IO)	Calculated from height and weight as kg/m^2 measured at awakening in light clothing. Lower scores are positive (IO)	Weight in kg measured at awakening in light clothing. Lower scores are positive (IO)	A single-seated blood pressure reading was obtained after a 5-minute rest with a validated automated oscillometric sphygmomanometric device (Omron model HEM-705-CP, Omron Healthcare Inc. , Vernon Hills, IL, USA). Biceps circumference was measured to select the appropriate size cuff, and participants were seated with the forearm resting on the table. Lower scores are positive (IO)	N/I	N/I

[a] Method of endpoint evaluation. AO: adjudicated outcome measurement; IO: investigator-assessed outcome measurement; SO: self reported outcome measurement
HbA1c: glycosylated haemoglobin A1c; N/I: not investigated

Appendix 10. Survey of trial investigators providing information on included trials

	Date trial author contacted	Date trial author replied	Date trial author was asked for additional information [short summary]	Date trial author provided data [short summary]
McKibbin 2010	08/07/15 12/10/15	08/07/15 No reply	• Asked for clarification on the Table	For Table 1 in 2010 paper, the column on the

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			headings in the 2010 paper, as it was unclear which was the intervention and which the control group, along with numbers • Asked for the following information: Of the 64 participants who consented into the trial, how many were randomised to the intervention and how many to the control group. Of the reasons stated for drop-out, are you able to break these data down by group? (for both 6 and 12 months post intervention) Could you tell us the start and end dates of the trial? What blinding was undertaken? Specifically in relation to participant, personnel and outcome assessors (by outcome if relevant). Which method of random sequence generation did you use? Was it a 1-to-1 ratio? Was allocation concealment achieved? Did you use any specific diagnostic criteria for type 2 diabetes and schizophrenia/ schizoaffective disorder? How many sites were recruiting into the trial, and from where were people recruited? Did you have a run-in period? Was the trial registered on a database?	right should reflect the DART programme participant data. Twenty-six participants were included in each arm for 6-month follow-up

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Appendix 11. Checklist to aid consistency and reproducibility of GRADE assessments

		Diabetes-related complications	All-cause mortality	Adverse events	Health-related quality of life	Self care behaviours	HbA1c	Socioeconomic effects
Trial limitations (risk of bias)[a]	Was random sequence generation used (i.e. no potential for selection bias)?	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Unclear	Unclear	N/A
	Was allocation concealment used (i.e. no potential for selection bias)?					Unclear	Unclear	
	Were participants and personnel blinded (i.e. no potential for performance bias)?					Unclear	Unclear	
	Was outcome assessment blinded (i.e. no potential for detection bias)?					Unclear	Unclear	
	Was an objective outcome used?					No ()	Yes	
	Were more than 80% of participants enrolled in trials included in the anal-					Yes	Yes	

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	ysis (i.e. no potential reporting bias)?[e]							
	Were data reported consistently for the outcome of interest (i.e. no potential selective reporting)?					No ()	No ()	
	No other biases reported (i.e. no potential for other bias)?					Yes	Yes	
	Did trials end up as scheduled (i.e. not stopped early)?					Yes	Yes	
Inconsistency[b]	Point estimates did not vary widely?					Yes	Yes	
	To what extent did confidence intervals overlap (substantial: all confidence intervals overlap at least 1 included studies point estimate; some: confidence inter-					N/A	N/A	

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	vals but not all overlap at least 1 point estimate; no: at least 1 outlier: where the confidence intervals of some studies do not overlap with those of most included studies)?							
	Was the direction of effect consistent?					N/A	N/A	
	What was the magnitude of statistical heterogeneity (as measured by I^2) - low (I^2 < 40%), moderate (I^2 = 40% to 60%), high I^2 > 60%)?					N/A	N/A	
	Was the test for heterogeneity statistically significant (P value < 0.1)?					N/A	N/A	
Indirectness[a]	Were the populations in included studies applicable to the decision context?					Highly applicable	Highly applicable	

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	Were the interventions in included studies applicable to the decision context?					Highly applicable	Highly applicable
	Was the included outcome not a surrogate outcome?					No ()	No ()
	Was the outcome time frame sufficient?					Sufficient	Sufficient
	Were the conclusions based on direct comparisons?					Yes	Yes
Imprecision[c]	Was the confidence interval for the pooled estimate not consistent with benefit and harm?					N/A	N/A
	What is the magnitude of the median sample size (high: 300 participants, intermediate: 100 to 300 participants, low: < 100 participants)?[e]					Low ()	Low ()

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	What was the magnitude of the number of included studies (large: > 10 studies, moderate: 5 to 10 studies, small: < 5 studies)?[e]					Small ()	Small ()
	Was the outcome a common event (e.g. occurs more than 1/100)?					N/A	N/A
Publication bias[d]	Was a comprehensive search conducted?					Yes	Yes
	Was grey literature searched?					Yes	Yes
	Were no restrictions applied to study selection on the basis of language?					Yes	Yes
	Was no industry influence noted in studies included in the review?					Yes	Yes
	Was no evidence of funnel plot asymmetry					N/A	N/A

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	found?							
	Was no discrepancy in findings noted between published and unpublished trials?					Unclear	Unclear	

[a] Questions on risk of bias are answered in relation to most of the aggregated evidence in the meta-analysis rather than to individual trials
[b] Questions on inconsistency are based primarily on visual assessment of forest plots and statistical quantification of heterogeneity based on I^2
[c] When judging the width of the confidence interval, it is recommended to use a clinical decision threshold to assess whether the imprecision is clinically meaningful
[d] Questions address comprehensiveness of the search strategy, industry influence, funnel plot asymmetry and discrepancies between published and unpublished trials
[e] Depends on the context of the systematic review area
(): key item for possible downgrading of the quality of the evidence (GRADE) as shown in the footnotes of the 'Summary of finding' table(s); GRADE: Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation; N/A: not applicable

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