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Community rehabilitation case studies (from admission to discharge by CRT) by Dr Jane-Marie Stobie and Melanie MacDonald

Date & Time: Wednesday 14 May 2025 at 12pm

The session will show the diversity of community rehabilitation. We will start with a short introduction on what community brain injury rehabilitation looks like in Lanarkshire then share two case studies. One case will consider a patient's rehabilitation journey from hospital discharge to return to work. The other will focus on community rehab intervention for a young PDOC patient who was discharged back to her own home in the community.

Jane-Marie Stobie, AHP Consultant, Clinical Lead Brain Injury Rehabilitation

Melanie MacDonald, Lead Occupational Therapist

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Neuropsychological approaches in Paediatric ABI by Dr Kirsten Verity and Dr Jo Phillips

Date & Time: Wednesday 28 May 2025 at 12pm

Talk outline:

- Incidence and aetiologies of ABI in paediatric populations
- Recovery from ABI; differences between adults and children
- Assessment and formulation considerations in paediatric neuropsychology
- Systemic approaches in the management of paediatric ABI
- Case studies
- Q&A





Dr Kirsten Verity, Paediatric Neuropsychology Service Lead in NHS Lothian, Co-founder and Project Lead of PAVESTM (Psychology Adding Value Epilepsy Screening)

Dr Jo Phillips, Clinical Psychologist (MA (Hons); MSc; D.Clin.Psy; PG Dip)

Kirsten obtained her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from University of Glasgow in 1998 and is a registered Clinical Neuropsychologist with HCPC registration as a Clinical Psychologist. She has been the lead clinician for the neuropsychology service at the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People in Edinburgh since 2004. Kirsten specialises in acquired brain injuries,

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epilepsy, mental wellbeing in neurological populations, ADHD and neurobehavioural presentations within family and educational systems. Kirsten sits on the committees of the Faculty of Paediatric Neuropsychology and the Division of Neuropsychology Scotland (both British Psychological Society) and is an honorary lecturer for several postgraduate psychology courses at University of Edinburgh. She has published in peer reviewed, scientific journals and, currently, provides neuropsychology consultation to several multicentre research projects.

Jo is a Clinical Psychologist in the Paediatric Psychology and Liaison Service at the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People, Edinburgh (RHCYP). She obtained her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Edinburgh in 2013 and is a HCPC registered Practitioner Psychologist. She is currently the Psychology Lead for Paediatric Major Trauma for the South East of Scotland Paediatric Major Trauma Centre and provides a neuropsychology service to Paediatric Haematology and Oncology at RHCYP, representing neuropsychology in the Scottish MSN for Children & Young People with Cancer. Jo specialises in paediatric traumatic brain injury and in the neuropsychological late effect of childhood cancer including brain tumours. She is an honorary lecturer on various courses at the University of Edinburgh.

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Use of blood and imaging biomarkers to characterise traumatic brain injury and change future clinical pathways: insights from current research by Virginia Newcombe

Date & Time: Thursday 19 June 2025 at 12pm

Blood biomarkers and neuroimaging offer ways to better understand the pathyophysiology of traumatic brain injury as well as improve clinical pathways and design clinical trials. This talk will cover some of the learnings from CENTER-TBI, a European cohort study of >4200 patients and the new Classification system for TBI (CBI-M, Clinical Biomarkers, Imaging and Modifiers). In addition, the talk will cover two ongoing cohort studies, BRAINS-TBI and POCKET, which are investigating use of blood biomarkers in emergency departments for diagnosis and prognosis of mild TBI.

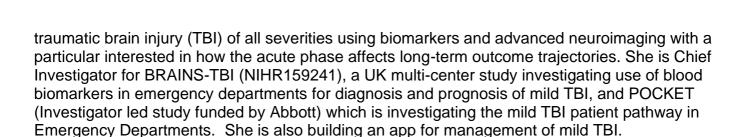


Virginia Newcombe is an Associate Professor in Emergency Medicine, Cambridge University, as well as a Honorary Consultant in Neurosciences and Trauma Critical Care, and Emergency Medicine at Addenbrooke's Hospital. She holds the Royal College of Emergency Medicine Professorship and an NIHR Rosetrees Trust Advanced Fellowship. Virginia's research focuses on

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Adult attention deficit disorder & autism, challenges in diagnosis and management by Dr Premal Shah

Date and time: Thursday 21 August 2025 at 12pm

Further information to be confirmed.

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Cognitive-communication difficulties following Traumatic Brain Injury by Mrs Lynn Grayson

Date and time: Thursday 18 September 2025 at 12pm

Lynn is a Speech and Language Therapist with NHS Lanarkshire's Brain Injury Rehabilitation Team and a PhD candidate at Glasgow Caledonian University's School of Health and Life Sciences. Her PhD topic is supporting families to manage cognitive-communication difficulties following Traumatic Brain Injury.

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Neuropsychological issues after trauma by Dr Blanca Poveda

Date and time: tbc

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