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Mind & Body blogs

This month the BMJ opinion has published an article written by Sarah Markham, who is a member of the Mind & Body Expert Advisory Group and an academic with King’s College London. Sarah writes about the importance of integrated care for improving health outcomes for people like herself with both mental and physical health needs. Sarah specifically discusses the important work of the Mind & Body Expert Advisory Group, a group made up of patients, service users and carers who are involved in developing the work of the Mind & Body Programme and related projects. You can read Sarah’s article here. Visit our website to read the Mind & Body Patient and Public Engagement strategy.

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The next Mind & Body Programme's one-day Clinical Skills Course is coming up soon. Participants will gain an understanding of how mind and body interact and the needs of people with physical and mental health problems.
The course will be on Monday 15 October at the River Room, King’s College London Strand Campus, WC2R. It is free to all clinical staff from King's Health Partners and local health and care groups. To register, or for more information, please contact mindandbody@slam.nhs.uk

New Mind & Body and Maudsley Simulation Course

Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives is an introductory course to motivational interviewing skills to support staff to have health change conversations with their patients and service users. The course is suitable for Nurses, Doctors and other AHPs who work in areas where lifestyle, wellbeing and exercise is discussed as part of holistic care. The course is run over 2 separate days on 29 November & 6 December. Register here.