INTRODUCTION

The Blueprint Group is a global joint advocacy, communications and learning coalition comprising of over 250 representatives of governments, international organisations, NGOs, academia and the private sector. The group was formed to encourage greater global collaboration on mental health advocacy, communications and learning, and to enable anyone with a professional interest in mental health and/or in health policy to have a means to link up with others who share this interest.

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The September BPG Quarterly Meeting
LONDON

On 9th September 2019 the Blue Print Group will be holding its next quarterly meeting at The Wellcome Trust in London. As with previous meetings we will be joined by experts from across the world for presentations, talks and in-depth discussions covering: the latest mental health thinking, trends in political and financial support and what we as the BPG can do to harness and shape them.

The meeting will run from 9am to 5.30pm (London time) and be in two parts.

Part 1: Exchanging experiences to learn from each other:
- International finance for mental health.
- The private sector and mental health.
- Experiences from public health systems.
- Climate change and mental health.

Part 2: Collectively creating positive change through new opportunities:
- Updates on key BPG initiatives and progress in 2019: integrating mental health into UHC and the Global Fund.
- Advocacy at key global moments: UN General Assembly, Dutch Ministerial Meeting on Mental Health and World Mental Health Day.

Sign up to be part of this exciting, provocative and impactful day by clicking [HERE](#)
August BPG Call
The next BPG monthly call will on Monday 19th August from 4pm BST (5pm CET // 11am EST / 8am PST). We will exchange updates as well as previewing the upcoming quarterly meeting.
To join the call please use this LINK
Or to join via phone :
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US: +1 312 216 0325 / +1 408 317 9254 / +1 408 317 9253
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(see all numbers - http://bluejeans.com/numbers)
2) Enter Conference ID : 466 654 044#

Global Moments
TIMELINE 2019

For more information click HERE
DFID Research Report
Maternal mental health and integrated approaches to SRHR

In June DFID published an overview of the evidence of the relationship between mental health, maternal health and sexual and reproductive health rights (SRHR). The report looks at evidence of good practice in integrating mental health into maternal health and SRHR and provides a list of the key existing guidance on integrating mental health into maternal health and SRHR.

The report can be found HERE

Mental Health Friendly Cities (MHFC) framework

On July 22-24, citiesRISE brought local and global partners together in Nairobi, Kenya to advance the Mental Health Friendly Cities (MHFC) framework, which aims to measure and drive local system-level change to improve young peoples’ mental health in cities around the world. The 3-day workshop assembled experts across generations, cultures and perspectives to develop the MHFC framework, showcasing global practices and model case studies.
UNICEF Leading Minds for Children and Young People Conference

The inaugural Leading Minds for Children and Young People conference will take place on 7-9 November at the UNICEF Innocenti-Office of Research (OoR) in Florence, Italy. This first year will bring together a broad array of the world’s thought leaders – from academia, business, civil society, government, international development, philanthropy and of course, children and young people – to focus on issues relating to mental health.

The conference will have two complementary parts. **Day 1** will address mental health in children and young people across the lifecycle. Presenters and discussants will look at key determinants of mental health, beginning at pregnancy and over the major life stages of childhood and youth. The day will also examine how emergencies affect child and youth mental health, and how to bridge the transition from emergency to development contexts. We will also explore how violence and conflict affect mental health in similar and different ways.

**Day 2** will explore the impact of a changing world on child and youth mental health. It will focus on major global trends such as urbanization, escalating violence, and climate change, and their increasingly understood impact on young minds. We will conclude by charting the way forward to address the challenges of enhancing the mental health of children and young people.

For more information please contact Zeinab Hijazi - zhijazi@unicef.org
WHO Mental Health Forum to take place
October 14-15

This year’s Mental Health Forum will take place on 14-15 October and will provide an opportunity for diverse stakeholders to discuss progress on WHO’s Mental Health Action Plan in countries. The theme for the Mental Health Forum this year is "Enhancing Country Action on Mental Health," reflecting the vision of WHO’s 13th General Programme of Work.

WHO will present the WHO Special Initiative for Mental Health (2019-2023): Universal Health Coverage for Mental Health conceived to strategically advance policies, advocacy and human rights, and scale-up quality interventions and services for people with mental health conditions, including substance use and neurological disorders.

Participants will discuss how WHO tools are supporting the implementation of policies and mental health interventions in different age groups and across different settings, and how we can do better. WHO will present its work and consult with participants on a range of key topics relevant to country action. As always, there will be plenty of time for informal networking.

For more information contact: mhForum@who.int
Coming soon... Russian translation of Lancet Commission

The Lancet Commission on Global Mental Health and Sustainable Development launched last October at the Global Ministerial Mental Health Summit in London. The work of a group of globally renowned experts in mental health, it has been: disseminated both in print and online, covered by media outlets in 15 countries and promoted by the Young Leaders for Global Mental Health to thousands on social media.

Earlier this year, in time for World Health Day, the executive summary of the report was translated and disseminated in French, funded by the Wellcome Trust. Reaching new audiences, the translations were shared through the networks of partners such as the WHO Collaborating Centre in Lille, World Psychiatric Association and CBM International.

Now, the executive summary is being translated and disseminated in Russian with plans for its launch in the autumn. These efforts are being led by Human Rights in Mental Health-FGIP, with support from UnitedGMH.

If anyone is interested in receiving a Russian copy and in helping disseminate the report further please contact melanie@globalhealthstrategies.com Melanie will be able to provide a covering note and assets for dissemination.
UNHCR have released their Annual Public Health Global Review 2018. For UNHCR integration of mental health into primary care continues to be a priority. The report documents the levels of consultations they made which involved mental health and found large variance between refugee setting in epidemiological patterns, help-seeking behaviour and capacity of health care staff to identify and manage mental, neurological and substance use conditions.

Spotlight on Ivo Vlaev

Ivo Vlaev is a professor of Behavioural Science in at Warwick Business School. In 2010, Professor Vlaev co-authored the Mindspace report published by the UK Cabinet Office, advising local and national policymakers on how to effectively use behavioural insights in their policy setting. Since then, he has helped public and private organisations develop and apply lessons from behavioural science.