
Plan Overview

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Title: Feasibility and acceptability of a single session group intervention for hoarding prevention: A single-arm non-randomised external pilot study

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Project abstract:

Hoarding disorder (HD) is a chronic and deteriorating problem, with an estimated 2.5% population prevalence, substantial comorbidity, and an earlier onset than the timing of typical clinical presentations may suggest. Treatments for HD have shown some efficacy but there is little known about preventative interventions targeting difficulties earlier. This single-arm non-randomised external pilot study seeks to test the feasibility and acceptability of a single session online group intervention with an analogue sample. Feasibility of recruitment, retention, adherence, and intervention implementation will be measured against pre-set thresholds. Acceptability will be assessed using the Theoretical Framework of Acceptability to capture prospective and retrospective acceptability and further explored using thematic analysis of semi-structured interviewed.

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Defining your data

- What digital data (and physical data if applicable) will you collect or create during the project?
- How will the data be collected or created, and over what time period?
- What formats will your digital data be in? (E.g. .docx, .txt, .jpeg)
- Approximately how much digital data (in GB, MB, etc) will be generated during the project?
- Are you using pre-existing datasets? Give details if possible, including conditions of use.

This study will collect both qualitative and quantitative data. First, the study will collect anonymous qualitative data through online surveys using Google forms. This dataset will include participant responses to self-report measures measuring clutter, difficulty discarding, excessive acquisition, and the prospective and retrospective acceptability of an online workshop. Demographic information including age, gender, ethnicity, living situation optional neurodiversity and mental health information, will also be gathered. Data will be exported in .csv format for analysis in SPSS.

Second, the study will collect qualitative data from semi-structured interviews. This dataset will include anonymised transcripts of participant perspectives on the experience of attending the online workshop. Interviews will be held online and recorded using a secure online meeting tool such as Google Meet. Anonymised transcripts will be made of the interviews and stored on password protected servers as word documents. No identifiable information will be transcribed. Data will be analysed on excel. Excerpts of transcripts may be included in the report following analysis.

Up to 1 GB of data will be generated through this project.

Looking after data during your research

- Where will you store digital data during the project to ensure it is secure and backed up regularly? ([University research storage](#))
- How will you name and organise your data files? (An example filename can help to illustrate this)
- If you collect or create physical data, where will you store these securely?
- How will you make data easier to understand and use? (E.g. include file structure and methodology in a README file)
- Will you use extra security precautions for any of your digital or physical data? (E.g. for sensitive and/or personal data)

All data will be stored on secure password protected servers hosted by the University of Sheffield, in accordance with university policy and GDPR. The researchers will have sole access to the datasets. Data files will be organised and clearly labelled (e.g. PARTICIPANT INFORMATION, MASTER WORKSHOP DATA, INTERVIEW DATA). A file structure will be presented in a README file.

All data collected through this study will be kept anonymous. Participant information will be stored in a password protected database and will include a unique participant code (e.g. P0001). No identifiable information will be included in the results of the study.

Storing data after your research

- Which parts of your data will be stored on a long-term basis after the end of the project?
- Where will the data be stored after the project? (E.g. University of Sheffield repository [ORDA](#), or a subject-specific repository)
- How long will the data be stored for? (E.g. standard TUoS retention period of minimum 10 years after the project)
- Who will place the data in a repository or other long-term storage? (E.g. you, or your supervisor)
- If you plan to use long-term data storage other than a repository, who will be responsible for the data?

Qualitative and quantitative feasibility and acceptability data will be stored on a long term basis after the end of the project on the University of Sheffield repository. Data will be kept for up to 10 years following study publication, before permanent deletion.

The lead researcher will be responsible for data in the repository until graduation, at which point storage of data will be held by project supervisor.

Sharing data after your research

- How will you make data available outside of the research group after the project? (E.g. shared in a repository, either openly or with controlled access)
- Will you make all of your data available, or are there reasons you can't do this? (E.g. personal data, commercial or legal restrictions, very large datasets)
- If there are reasons you can't share all of your data, how might you make as much of it available as possible? (E.g. anonymisation, participant consent, sharing analysed data only)
- How will you make your data as widely accessible as possible? (E.g. include a data availability statement in publications, ensure published data has a DOI)
- What licence will you apply to your data to say how it can be reused and shared? (E.g. one of the [Creative Commons](#) licences)

Aligned with open science principles, participants will be asked to give permission for their anonymised quantitative and qualitative data to be shared with future researchers for secondary analysis. If consent is provided, data may be stored in an open-access research depository. A data availability statement will be included in publication and published data will have a DOI. I will apply a CC BY-NC-SA 4.0 licence to the data for it to be reused and shared.

Putting your plan into practice

- Who is responsible for making sure your data management plan is followed? (E.g. you with the

support of your supervisor)

- How often will your data management plan be reviewed and updated? (E.g. yearly and if the project changes)
- Are there any actions you need to take in order to put your data management plan into practice? (E.g. requesting [University research storage](#) via your supervisor.)

I will be responsible for ensuring the DMP is followed with the support of my supervisor.

I will review my DMP yearly or when there are changes to the project.

I will request University research storage with my supervisor.