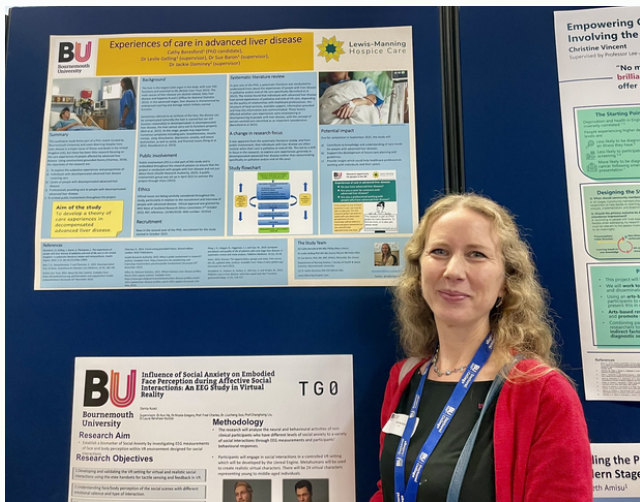


## Public involvement newsletter January 2024



**Thank you very much for your involvement in the study. This newsletter is to update you on my progress since the last public involvement meeting. Feel free to get in touch if you have any comments or suggestions about the project, which is match-funded by Bournemouth University and Lewis-Manning Hospice Care.**



### Happy New Year to you all...

Following on from our last public involvement meeting 30th November, the main focus has been recruitment to the study. It is proving challenging! So far, I have recruited and interviewed:

- One person who was a carer for an individual with advanced liver disease.
- Six healthcare professionals working in liver disease (five are specialist nurses and one is a psychologist). I am holding-off recruiting anymore healthcare professionals now because the priority is speaking with people who have advanced liver disease.
- One person with advanced liver disease.

### How am I reaching people?

As you suggested at the last meeting, I have been sharing the research far and wide to give people the opportunity to take part in the study. Strategies include:

- Social media: Facebook, X (Twitter) and WhatsApp.
- Liver charities – LIVERNORTH have shared the advert, and I am waiting to find out if the British Liver Trust will help.
- I have shared with specialist liver nurses and doctors for them to inform their patients.
- I have meetings arranged with two hospices, who may be able to help.
- I have a couple of GP contacts who have agreed to share it.
- I have contacted organisations supporting homeless people (because liver disease is more common in individuals experiencing homelessness).

**Let me know if you have any other suggestions for recruitment - thank you.**



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### Experiences of care in advanced liver disease

- Do you have advanced liver disease?
- Are you a carer for someone with advanced liver disease?
- Are you a professional working with people who have advanced liver disease?

If the answer to any of these questions is yes, you may be able to take part. For this research project we want to speak with you about *your* perspectives of care. Interviews will be held at a time and place convenient to you and will take approximately one hour.



### Other activities:

- I presented a poster at Bournemouth University postgraduate conference in November.
- The talk I did for LIVERNORTH is available on YouTube: [Catherine Beresford. Experiences of Care in Advanced Liver Disease - YouTube](#)
- I am presenting a poster at Sigma nursing conference at Bournemouth University in June about the project.
- I plan to present at the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences conference in June at Bournemouth University.

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