

What is mental health?

The most common definition:

"Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel, and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make choices. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood"

Keep it in shape - It is important to look after your mental health, much like you would your physical health.



What are the benefits of physical activity, for everyone?



Enhance physical health (diabetes, high blood pressure)

Reduces symptoms of depression and anxiety (30%)

Helps concentration and to develop good sleeping patterns

Increases self-worth

Combats social isolation

Builds confidence and self-esteem

Improves energy levels



Who we are

Our mission



To improve the lives of people experiencing mental health problems through sport and physical activity

We are the UK's leading mental health sports charity and deliver physical activity projects in partnership with the amazing NHS in order to aid recovery, promote mental wellbeing, improve physical health, combat social isolation and empower people to move their lives forward in a positive direction.

Our values













Supportive

Offering care and encouragement within a supportive environment

Partnerships

Working together and building strong relationships

Optimism

Giving hope and optimism

Respect

Giving respect to all

Trust

Promoting integrity, reliability and fairness

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Our work











Adult Services
Inpatient/Community

Mother & Baby Programme

Children & Young People Programme

Journals

To support healthy habits

Raising Awareness

Provide education on exercise and mental health

Workshops - schools/workplace



The difference we make



Research shows that participants who engaged in Sport in Mind's programmes for 6 months:



had improved mental well-being



highlighted improved levels of self-esteem/confidence

91%



had **reduced** symptoms of **depression**



displayed **reduced** levels of **stress** and **anxiety**



had improved physical health

How your money makes an impact





£75

would fund a
wonderful mother
and baby dance
and movement
session for 10
mums experiencing
mental health
challenges



£520

provides enough money to support a participant with a whole years' worth of weekly Tai Chi classes



£30

funds our
allotment
sessions (a
wonderful way
to get moving
and stay active)
for one month



£200

would provide
stretch and relax
sessions for people
experiencing mental
health problems for
one month



£2,600

would fund <u>an</u>
<u>entire year</u> of **tennis sessions**for people
experiencing
mental health
problems.

Get involved





Fundraise

Fundraise for us – take on a challenge, get involved in campaigns etc



Volunteer

We need volunteers for activity sessions, events, to be ambassadors and advocates for the charity



Spread the word!

Do you know some one that could benefit from our sessions, a professional that could refer to our sessions? Put them in touch info@sportinmind.org and help build awareness.

What our participants say...

P. J. J.

"highlight of my week" (fun)

"a break from my thoughts"

"lots of laughs"

"I would never have come to a sports centre without Sport in Mind" "fun with friends"

Our partners



Sport in Mind's works with a wide range of supporters and partners to deliver our mission of improving the lives of people experiencing mental health problems through sport and physical activity.

Our partners include:











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