

About the MoU

CANDDID/CWP NHS Foundation Trust (UK)

IIHMR University, Jaipur, and the Centre for Autism, Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Intellectual Disabilities (CANDDID) of Cheshire and Wirral Partnership (CWP) NHS Foundation Trust, UK, collaborated to strengthen professionals' mental health assessment and interviewing skills. The collaboration focused on training professionals to use the Global Mental Health Assessment Tool (GMHAT/PC) through remote learning, supported by expert facilitators from CANDDID/CWP and implementation support from IIHMR. The MoU also envisaged wider research collaboration and dissemination activities related to mental health.

1. MoU Details

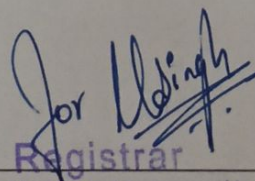
- **Parties:** IIHMR University, Jaipur (India) and CANDDID/CWP NHS Foundation Trust (UK).
- **MoU Start Date:** 01 November 2021
- **MoU End Date:** 31 October 2024
- **Duration:** Three (3) years (as per MoU Start and End dates).
- **Nature of MoU:** Training and academic collaboration; primarily non-financial/non-binding except where expressly stated as legally binding in the MoU.
- **Project/Focus:** Training professionals to use GMHAT/PC for assessment of people presenting with mental health issues; improving interview skills and leadership for mental health.

2. Activities Conducted under the MoU (Training Programmes)

Under the MoU, IIHMR and CANDDID/CWP planned and delivered short-course training programmes on GMHAT/PC through remote learning. Each programme was designed as a 4-week short course (4 hours per week; 16 hours) with a follow-up 2-hour session at 6 weeks (total 18 hours). The programme adopted a virtual, participatory and experiential approach, including hands-on interviewing practice, scoring videos with inter-rater agreement, role plays, quizzes and virtual forums for ongoing support.

Snapshot of Training Programmes (announced and conducted):

- December 2021 (Online): 8 participants; Follow-up: 30-31 March 2022; Coverage: Countries/States: Bhutan, Myanmar, India (Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu)
- April 2022 (Online): Postponed (1 confirmed participant); Follow-up: -; Coverage: -
- June 2022 (Online): 11 participants; Follow-up: 31 August 2022; Coverage: States: Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh
- September 2022 (Online): Postponed (1 confirmed participant); Follow-up: -; Coverage: -
- Nov-Dec 2022 (Online): 11 participants; Follow-up: Follow-up: 01 February 2023; Coverage: States/Sectors: Rajasthan, ITBP, Delhi


Registrar

- November 2024 (Offline planned): Not conducted (0 participants); Follow-up: -; Coverage: Offline attempt based on training needs assessment

A snapshot of the training programmes announced and conducted

Training prog dates (proposed and actually held)	# participants	Countries and states covered	Sectors covered	Follow up training date	Remarks
December 2021 (Online)	8	Bhutan, Myanmar, India (Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu)	Training Counselor Medical officer Nursing PhD Scholar	March 30-31, 2022	
April, 2022 (Online)	8 (1)				Postponed because of one confirmed participant only
June 2022 (Online)	11	Rajasthan, Maharashtra, UP	Consultant Nursing PhD Scholar, MPH student	August 31, 2022	
September 2022 (Online)	9 (1)				Postponed because of one confirmed participant only
November- December 2022 (Online)	11 (1)	Rajasthan, ITBP, Delhi	Medical College faculty, Nursing faculty, ITBP	February 1, 2023	
November 2024 (offline)	0				Offline

Overall, three training programmes were conducted successfully with a total of 28 participants. The programme was accredited as a 2-credit training and included participants from multiple sectors (trainers, counsellors, medical officers, nursing staff and research scholars).

3. Outcomes / Key Highlights

- Improved participant communication and interviewing skills from pre-test to post-test, including more effective use of GMHAT/PC for structured mental health assessment.
- International and inter-state participation across Bhutan, Myanmar and India, demonstrating cross-learning and reach.
- One programme (Nov-Dec 2022) was delivered as a social responsibility initiative (free-of-charge) to support Indo-Tibet Border Force (ITBP) mental health capacity.
- Training needs assessment (2023) indicated preference for shorter (3-day) or more hands-on (5-day) offline formats; an offline programme was designed for 20-22 Nov 2024 but did not materialize due to insufficient nominations.

4. Evidence / Supporting Documents

- Signed the MoU document between IIHMR University and CANDDID/CWP NHS Foundation Trust.

Indian Institute of Health Management Research
and

The Centre for Autism, Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Intellectual Disabilities of Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on 25th March 2022 between

The Centre for Autism, Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Intellectual Disabilities of Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, situated at Trust Headquarters, Redesmere Building, Bowmere Hospital, Countess of Chester Health Park, Liverpool Road, Chester, Cheshire CH2 1BQ
(hereinafter referred to as CANDDID/CWP)

and

The Indian Institute of Health Management Research (IIHMR), whose administrative address is 1, Prabhu Dayal Marg, Near Sanganer Airport, Jaipur - 302029 (hereinafter referred to as the "IIHMR")

Hereinafter also collectively and individually referred to as "Parties" and "Party", respectively.

1. Contractual documentation

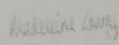
1.1 The following documents form part of and are incorporated into this MOU (the "MOU"):

- Part A – Particulars
- Part B – Terms and Conditions

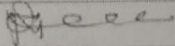
1.2 Both Parties agree that they are bound by the terms detailed above and all the attached documents, to the extent they are stated to be legally binding. In the event of inconsistency or conflict between any of the terms of this MOU, the Particulars (Part A) shall take precedence over the Terms and Conditions (Part B).

Signature Page

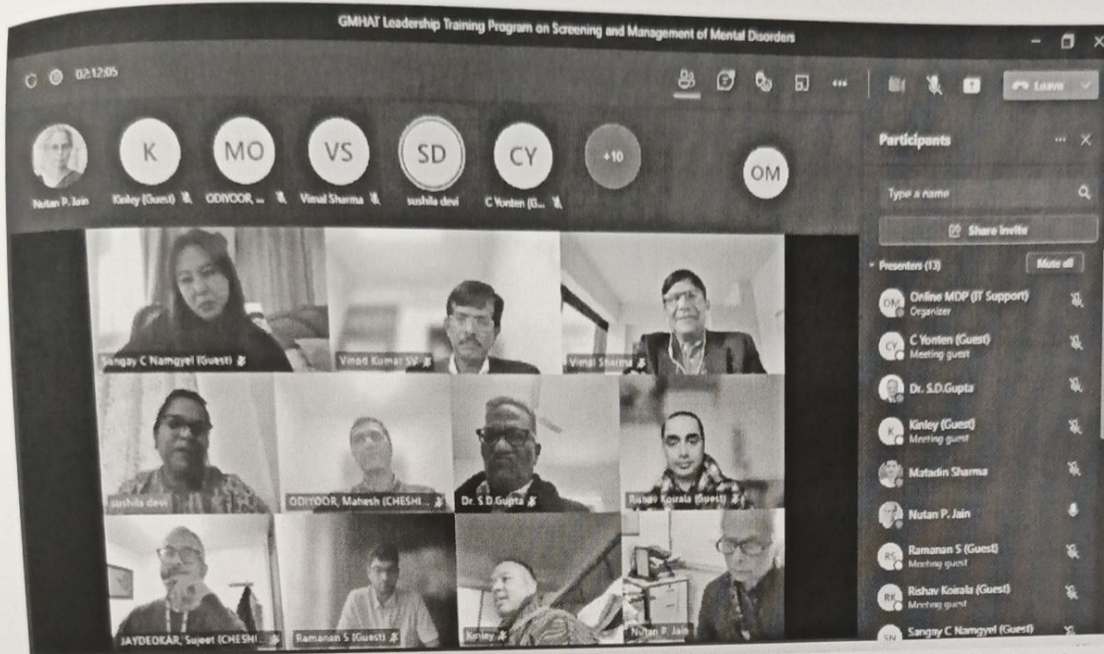
Signed on behalf of CANDDID:

Signature	
Name	Madeleine Lowry
Job Title	Associate Director of Operations - LD, NDD and ABI Care Group, CWP
Date	25 th March 2022

Signed on behalf of IIHMR:

Signature	
Name	Shiv Dutt Gupta
Job Title	Trustee Secretary
Date	6 th APRIL 2022

Training program schedule snapshots, follow-up dates and participant summaries.



The IIHMR-CANDDID/CWP collaboration established a structured capacity-building pathway for mental health assessment using GMHAT/PC. The documented training programmes and follow-up sessions during 2021–2024 demonstrate active implementation under the MoU and contribute to strengthening mental health leadership and assessment capabilities across diverse settings.