

## **About me**

I hold a B.A. (Hons) from the University of Leeds and a PhD from the University of Nottingham. Before joining Nottingham as a Lecturer in 2001 I spent three years as a post-doctoral researcher in the [Centre for Suicide Research](#) in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford. I am a member of the [PSPH](#) group in the School of Psychology and a past President of the UK Chapter of the [Society for Risk Analysis](#). I am the Director of the Self Harm Research Group within PSPH. We have received funding from the Department of Health, NHS and the ESRC to support our work in this area.

I am currently PI on the '[Listen-Up!](#)' project which aims to increase understanding of self-harm in young people – especially those living in the care system. I have three researchers working on this project with me: Dr Ruth Wadman, Alex Berry and Chelsea Sawyer. I lead an MHRN funded Clinical Research Group on Self-Harm which brings together academics from around the UK to write bids for grants to run on the MHRN.

I am working with the [Multicenter Study of Self-Harm](#) in England with colleagues from Oxford, Derby and Manchester. I am currently an active member of several Managed Innovation Networks with colleagues from the IMH associated with self-harm and mental health in young people. I am a member of the Nottingham City Suicide Prevention Strategy Group. I am an advisor to the Suicide Awareness Partnership Training programme based in Leicester and Rutland, the E-DASH Midlands CLAHRC study and a CCG funded project on self-harm in young people. I have recently contributed a chapter on Suicide Terrorism to the forthcoming *Oxford Handbook of Suicide and Self-Injury* to be published by Oxford University Press (Edited by Professor Matthew Nock, Harvard).