

Programme Grid 2025

Wednesday 10 September

11:30-13:25: Lunch (Foyer)

Social Lunch – ECR get together (Foyer)

Room	007	008	0021	0024	223a	223b	221	222	HLT 403	LT
Stream	Inequality & Intersectionality	Sexual & Reproductive Health	Mental Health	Experiences of Health & Illness	Lifecourse -Chronic Conditions; Ageing: Death and Dying	Health Service Delivery	STS & Medicine	Professions	Pedagogy and Methods	Special Events
Chair										
13:25-13:55	Navigating Intersection of Difference: A Qualitative Sociological Study with Adult Autistic Migrants in the UK	Romancing contraception: exploring contraceptive storytelling in romance fiction	Negotiating Roles and Medicalisation: Psychologists in Chilean Primary Mental Health Care	Health-Seeking Behavior and Choice of Care among Rural Migrant Farmers in Selected Camp Settlements in Ogbese, Ondo State, Nigeria.	The Roles of Older Patients' Companions in Medical Contacts: A Scoping Review	"Carers are silent partners. Its [a] fight to be heard": Embedding Caregiver Voice in Discharge Planning, Findings from a Co-Design Approach.	Why we need a better understanding of healthcare inquiries	"We don't move beds; we transport people": (In)visibility and connective professionalism in the case of porters in public hospitals	Sexual and Gender Diversity in Health Curricula in Brazil: An Analysis of National Guidelines (2001–2023)	
Chair										
14:00-14:30	Exploring links between adverse childhood experiences, executive function, and homelessness: A realist evaluative synthesis	Looking through a Feminist Lens: Body Politics and the Dynamics of Commercial Surrogacy in India Today	Medicines, Medication Work and Networks of Support in the Community Following Mental Health Hospital Discharge: A Qualitative Interview Study	University transition for students with long-term physical health conditions - a qualitative longitudinal study	Addressing the Slippery Slope Myth: Trends in Reported Euthanasia Cases in Belgium (2002–2023)	The socio-technical imaginaries of risk and safety in dementia care: examining the use of restrictive practice in mental health and acute hospital wards and their consequences for people living with dementia	mRNA vaccine scepticism on Substack: Remixing scientific expertise with influencer affects	An exploration of nurses' experience of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) Revalidation approach of professional regulation	Welcoming disability in: crip approaches and medical sociology	Creating Care in Contexts of Crisis
Chair										
14:35-15:05	Exploring the intersections of dementia care and urban spaces: Ethnographic thinking with South Asian families in Newcastle upon Tyne	Slowness, Speed and Suffering: A Temporal Exploration of Contraceptive Coil Pain	Social Structure, Stress, and Depressive Symptoms among Early Adolescents: A Sociological Study from a Primary School in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Japanese men enduring benign-prostate-enlargement or prostate-cancer	Intersecting Biographies: The Case of 'Mother-Sibling Biographical Disruption' in Families Facing a Child's Life-Limiting Illness	What Covid-19 taught us about engagement in HIV care: a qualitative study with people living with HIV in London	Beyond the spoken word: How email interviews enhance data quality and ethics in neurodivergent research	"Is there anything else I can do for you today?": Exploring the closing phase of remote primary care consultations	"I'm taking nothing, but we'll carry on to help out": Experiences of participants in a masked clinical trial to prevent neuropathic pain after shingles	Creating Care in Contexts of Crisis
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15:10-15:40	Emotionally Excluded, Spiritually Embraced: Welfare-Supported Iranian Women's Turn to Doa Nevis Amid Healthcare Alienation	From Fertility Desires to Reproductive Realities: The Centrality of Partnership Practices		Personal Troubles and Social Issues: A Systematic Review of the Impact of Psychological Illnesses of Children on Parents' Well-being	A tale of two autonomies: medicalisation and the legitimisation of assisted dying in parliamentary debate	De-medicalising death within the imperative of 'doing something': Conversations and documentation as forms of clinical intervention	Who 'does' rehabilitation? Addressing the Insights and Gaps in Hearing Loss Rehabilitation Research: A Scoping Review	Aligning patient candidacy and staff legitimacy to enable person-centred care	Digital Health Literacy: Patterns of Reproduction and Consolidation in scientific debates - A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis	Creating Care in Contexts of Crisis
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15:45-16:15	Healing at the margins: medical marginality and health inequalities among santhals in bihar, India.			Diabetes and nutrition tracking: (Re)Enforced Body Management	Birthng, becoming, and bordering: situating immigrant (m)otherhood through care in and beyond medical practice	Everyday activism made long: Re-constituting care infrastructures through Long Covid Advocacy		Negotiating engagement and expertise – A qualitative study into the parent-therapist partnership in early intervention for infants with childhood-onset disability	Systemic Corruption in Healthcare Sector: Evidence from Chinese court records database	
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16:20-16:50						The political work of speaking-up (and being heard) about patient safety by ethnically-diverse healthcare staff				

17:00-18:00: Opening Plenary: Enacting and Resisting Gendered and Colonial Constructions of the Surgically Enhanced Breast - Ruth Holliday, University of Leeds (Lecture Theatre)
18:00-19:00: Poster Presentation and *drinks reception* sponsored by Wiley
20:00 Venue Close

Thursday 11 September – Morning

Room	TBC 1	TBC 2	TBC 3	TBC 4	TBC 5	TBC 6	TBC 7	TBC 8	TBC 9	LT
Stream	Inequality & Intersectionality	Critical Public Health	Professions	Experiences of Health & Illness	Health Policy	Citizenship & Health	Patient & Professional Interaction	Lifecourse -Chronic Conditions; Ageing: Death and Dying	Sexual and Reproductive Health	
Chair										
09:00-09:30	Thinking through failure in disabled young people’s transitions to adulthood	Hydrocephalus and Spina bifida are becoming main health issues among infants and children yet they are not recognized as critical public health problems. Experiences of mothers of hydrocephalus and spina bifida affected babies and children	Who Counts as a ‘Medic’? Re-Making Medical Hierarchies among Immigrant Women Healthcare Professionals in the UK	Living with Ambiguity: Embodied Uncertainty in Endometriosis Care	Constructing the “non-urgent patient”: Reframing Emergency Department overcrowding in France	(Non-)Citizenship in/and transitions out of informal caring	Troubling the model of “blocked flow” in sickle cell crises and their care	Deux Ex Machina: an ethnographic exploration of care provision for patients using non-invasive advanced respiratory support	Sexual Healthcare Needs of Intersex People/People with Sex Variation	On Embedded Research (and Researchers): Challenges and Opportunities for Medical Sociology
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09:35-10:05	A Critical Discourse Analysis of British newspaper construction of refugees – how does this relate to Health Care Professionals in the NHS?	Service Gates: Undoing ‘Access’	Navigating the Complexities of Medical Education: Insights from Danish Medical Students	“It's not mentioned is it?” - The hidden burdens of navigating transitions in kidney transplantation in the NHS	“Light in a very dark time.” The Bristol Race Equality Covid-19 Steering Group as a “working utopia” for inclusive policymaking	Patient and public representatives in health technology assessments: The coproduction of local and expert knowledge	Making sense of sense-making: the challenge of navigating interactional competence in dementia care	End of Life Doulas: Mobilising Flexibility To Address Client and System Needs	Body and Bodily Experiences: Embodied Adaptation to Hysterectomy among Women of Indian Sundarbans	On Embedded Research (and Researchers): Challenges and Opportunities for Medical Sociology
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10:10-10:40	In White We Trust? How Interpersonal and System (Dis)trust Shape Black Brazilian Patients’ Preferences for Racial Matching in Psychotherapy	Capitalism and the commercial determinants of health 2: private health providers and the capitalist state.	Fieldwork in Healthcare: Bourdieu’s Framework for Understanding Nursing and Midwifery Leadership’s Dual Role	"No Men Allowed Inside": Pregnant Women’s Experiences of Hospital-Based Prenatal Care in China	Unpacking the value of individual vaccines	Whose lives are worth saving? Assumptions underlying cancer early detection initiatives	The moral evaluation of emergency department patients: a continuing investigation regarding legitimisation in the age of liberal individualism	Using the sociological autopsy to explore the deaths of people experiencing homelessness	Beyond Repeal the 8th: An exploration of racialized pregnant people’s experiences of maternal healthcare in Ireland	On Embedded Research (and Researchers): Challenges and Opportunities for Medical Sociology
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10:45-11:15 (70)	Systemic inequities and the lived experiences of racial minority clinicians working for NHS Scotland.	Critical reflections on alcohol brief interventions	Experiences and perspectives of pregnant active-duty service women in the armed forces: A qualitative evidence synthesis	How do We Navigate The Conceptual Tension Between Paradigms of ADHD?	From Safety Science to Operational Reality: Exploring Competing Institutional Logics in the Translation of National Patient Safety Recommendations	Institutionalising PrEP: Re-thinking Healthcare Ethics and Equality through the UK Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis Debates		Cultural Norms and Gendered Care: The Indian Household Experience of Elderly Care	Framing a Feminist Abortion: Imagining the Future of Abortion with the SISSDAA Principles	Recalibrating Stigma: Sociologies of Health and Illness
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11:20-11:50	Changing Practices or Carrying On? Mapping Patients’ Unequal Mobilisation of Health Capital in a Nordic Welfare Context	‘Everyone is welcome here...but don’t come too often’: exploring competing institutional logics in community food aid provision	The implementation of new roles in primary care: role ambiguity, power differentialsd job crafting.	Cultural Understandings of Illness and Risk: A Qualitative Study of COVID-19 Experiences in Poland	Recalibrating and reconsidering policy applications of "stigma	Who are they'? – Understanding Citizen’s stories of participation in health research panels and understanding how lived experiences shape participation in health research			Discourses of care, wellbeing and human rights: a case study of Saving Mothers’ Comadronas’ understanding of reproductive health in Guatemala in the misinformation age	Recalibrating Stigma: Sociologies of Health and Illness
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11:55-12:25	Life on life’s terms: Powerlessness and precarious agency in addictions recovery	Reimagining Public Health as Social Justice: A Sociological Critique Through Ambedkarite Thought	How does anticipatory prescribing work? Individual kindness and organisational continuity in community palliative and end-of-life care.	The Language of Informality: Allusion, Ambiguity and Normalization of Informal Payments for Health Services in Romania	Viral Politics: A Cross- National Conjoint Experiment Exploring How Disease Characteristics Affect Support for Pandemic Response Policies					Recalibrating Stigma: Sociologies of Health and Illness
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12:30-14:30: Lunch (Foyer)
12:45-13:45: BSA Medical Sociology Group Annual General Meeting (lecture theatre 2)

Thursday 11 September – Afternoon

Room	TBC 1	TBC 2	TBC 3	TBC 4	TBC 5	TBC 6	TBC 7	TBC 8	TBC 9	LT
Stream	Embodiment & Emotion	Diagnosis, Screening and Treatment	Sexual & Reproductive Health	Experiences of Health & Illness	Mental Health	Open	Pedagogy and methods	Inequality and intersectionality	Open	
Chair										
14:00-14:30	“precision and pressure: emotional labour in the age of ai-assisted surgery”	Mainstreaming genomics across different medical specialties in the NHS	“[It’s in] my drawer of sh*t I’ll deal with later on:” Ambivalent reactions to Biomedical HIV-prevention from Young MSM in London.	Navigating gender, culture, and cancer at a young age: A socio-ecological study of Chinese young women’s gynaecological cancer experiences	Excavating ‘the social’ from institutional reviews of suicide deaths: notes for a haunted sociology of suicide	Addicted to the Run: Rethinking Exercise Addiction Through Embodied Experience	Centring the voices of Black British and South Asian people with Multiple Sclerosis using Participatory Data Analysis: Learnings from Participatory Research into the minoritised experiences of MS care	Pain & prejudice: how fibromyalgia care in the UK needs to move towards epistemic and social justice	Mapping the benefits and harms of antenatal and newborn screening programmes	‘Dangerous Narratives’: Critical explorations of academic narratives in public discourses of health and illness
Chair										
14:35-15:05	Setting (Un)Realistic Goals: The Influence that AI Filtering Applications Have on the ‘Pathologisation of Attractiveness’	Listening Rather Than Asking: Social Media Analysis for Public Perspectives on Genomic Screening	Understanding fertility tracking: An investigation into digital and non-digital practices	Developing resources to involve PPI representatives in research on communication in medical care: A co-design project	From Expectation to Betrayal: Unmet Birth Expectations and the Interpersonal Roots of Trauma	Doing Justice at the Margins: Research Method Design in Recognition of Power and Powerlessness	Six components of rhythm: A framework for researching the rhythms of ageing, disability and care	Ageing With a Lifelong Disability for Black British Adults	Caring without being cared for: An Intersectional Analysis of Nurses’ Labour During COVID-19 in India’s Northeast	‘Dangerous Narratives’: Critical explorations of academic narratives in public discourses of health and illness
Chair										
15:10-15:40	The place of trauma and life events in functional seizures (FS): thinking sociologically around meaning and social context.	“Most medical decisions are intuitive”: Physician's perspectives about intuition in clinical practice	Choices and Support on the Maternity Journey: Voices from Women with Cerebral Palsy	“You need to see a doctor. Can’t you see?” Exploring how men are influenced by their partners in seeking medical help	(Self-)Caring with companion animals: A posthuman relational exploration of stress and self-care	Comparing the Materialisation of PMDD in the US and France	Scratching at the surface: reflections on itch in co-constructed and sensorial interviewing experiences	Biomedical Discourses and Challenging Health Inequalities: An Ethnographic study of UK Medical Community Based Participatory Research.	Fact vs. Fiction: Exploring the added value of the arts in qualitative health research, imagining the real	‘Dangerous Narratives’: Critical explorations of academic narratives in public discourses of health and illness
15:40-16:00										
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16:00-16:30	Bodily change and sense of self during conflict trauma: narrative inquiry using audio media	TBC	“Panch Taanka, Kamzori aur Dard ki Goli” (“Five Stitches, Weakness, and Pain Killers”): Early Hysterectomies, ‘Normalcy’ and an Imaginary of the ‘Good Life’	Queer Stoma Pride and Barbie Bums: Crip Guts, Invisibility, and Passing	Two kinds of mirror?: self, emotions and data in mental wellbeing apps	My Heroin Valley	Young bodies in shaping. An explorative field study of how children and adolescents practice their different bodies in school peer relations (MOVED FROM EMBODIMENT AND EMOTION)	Title: Territorial Frictions and Epistemic Disputes: An Intersectional Analysis of Leishmaniasis Control among Indigenous Peoples in the Dourados Reserve	Dual Loyalty Between Care and Security: Old wine in new bottles?	Creating space for sociology and sociologists in eating disorder treatment and recovery: developing a novel, illustration-based participatory method to bring ‘the social’ into inpatient services
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16:35-17:05	Traditional Maternal and Childbirth Practices among Pastoral Nomadic Communities in Somaliland	Non-invasive prenatal testing in fetal anomaly screening: issues of informed choice and reproductive autonomy.	Pronatalist Bias within Medical Education	The intersection of biography, embodiment and digital capital: exploring non-uptake of remote monitoring for illness management in people living with rheumatoid arthritis	The Lost Girls': Experiences of Autistic Women	Beyond Medical Care: Rethinking the Role of “Nurses at Schools” in Inclusive Education for Children with Complex Medical Care Needs	The Long Haul – An ethnographic account of shaping diagnoses, treatment strategies, and modes of expertise in digital Long-Covid communities	Temporary urban migration, maternal-infant wellbeing, and the social production of health: a co-produced ethnographic study from Mexico	Medical Neutrality in War: What is it good for?	Creating space for sociology and sociologists in eating disorder treatment and recovery: developing a novel, illustration-based participatory method to bring ‘the social’ into inpatient services

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17:10-17:40	“Being natural”, hormones and coping strategies: adolescent reflections of navigating emotions and periods	“Undetectable” as a site of conflict between the chronic and the acute		Connecting care: Understanding the relational dimensions of supporting migrant children and young people with sickle cell disease		A sociological review of blood donation for research: practices, interventions and gaps	The (ir)responsible manager of ethnographic research – some painful learning from a current study of emergency care	Pain, power, prejudice: witnessing the ins and outs of one case in obstetrics	Examining longitudinal associations between education and Late-Life Depression: A Generalised Linear Mixed Model Approach	Creating space for sociology and sociologists in eating disorder treatment and recovery: developing a novel, illustration-based participatory method to bring ‘the social’ into inpatient services

19:30-23:00 Conference dinner (Foyer/Café Hub)
00:00 Venue Close

Friday 12 September – Morning

09:00-10:00: Closing Plenary: Sick at Work, Sick of Work - managing long-term ill-health in the contemporary UK workplace - Jen Remnant, University of Strathclyde (Lecture Theatre)

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Chair										
10:10-10:40	Performing coordination: reception work and the relationality of access to primary care	The Last Resort’ and ‘The First Choice’: narratives of arriving at online sperm donation	‘Ripping up the Rulebook’? Drug treatment infrastructures after Covid-19	Dementia, Risk, and Responsibility. Medical, Socio-Political and Ethical Foundations of Current Discourses on Dementia Prevention	The Intersection of Food Insecurity and Reproductive Justice in India	Between Grief and Guilt: A Qualitative Study of the Dual Burden of Mourning and Self-Blame in Accidental Death	Tensions in the construction and experiences of wellbeing in rural Yorkshire: Rural habitus and fragmented experience	Understanding the relationship between young people's mental and sexual health and how relevant services could be improved to better meet their needs: a qualitative study	Rethinking Inefficacy: Frustration and Possibility in the Aftermath of Pharmaceutical Failure	Researching and Improving Health(care) Post-Participatory Turn: can Elinor Ostrom's principles for collaborative group working help?
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10:45-11:15	Suicide Rates of the Elderly Population in Türkiye: An Examination in the Context of Suicide Method, Educational Status, Marital Status and Gender	‘Genetically incompatible’: classifying risk and shaping reproduction through new forms of genetic screening	Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) in Practice	The good bio-citizen at the gym – 3,5 ways of identity formation a-s ‘someone who exercises properly’ among ‘normal’ gym-users	Ageing in the right place: the importance of cleaners and gardeners in mundane acts of care in later older age	Help-seeking and sense-making among mothers with experiences of anxiety and/or depression		Health Literacy, Privacy Concerns, and Digital-Recommendation Engagement in Forming Local Hobby Circles among Japanese Older Adults	Watch and Worry? How are the support needs of people living with newly diagnosed chronic haematological malignancies being addressed?	Researching and Improving Health(care) Post-Participatory Turn: can Elinor Ostrom's principles for collaborative group working help?
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11:20-11:50	“Dear Mr Galton... your invoice is attached”: Collaboration, ‘co-production’ and the ‘seething presence’ of eugenic politics in novel mental health technology development	Menstual Justice Across Borders: A Comparative Analysis of Global North-South Discourses and Ethnographic Insights from Sri Lanka's Plantation Sector	NICE, Pharmaceuticalization, and the Permissive Principle: The Case of Anticoagulants	Adolescent psychosocial health, and the relationship between physical activity and risk of alcohol-related harm in the Avon Longitudinal Study of Parents and Children (ALSPAC)	Doing ‘proper’ food in later older age: the social significance of household meals	A Police Perspective of the Experiences of Children Detained Under Section 136.				Researching and Improving Health(care) Post-Participatory Turn: can Elinor Ostrom's principles for collaborative group working help?
Chair							Theory		Health Policy	
11:55-12:25		“I Want to be in Control”: Fertility, Femtech, and Physician-Patient Relationships	Creating safe healthcare spaces for racialised minorities: from appropriate conceptualisations to effective (anti-racist) action that addresses patient safety inequities	Community-based support for living with long-term health conditions: the popular sector in its prime, or the neglect of neoliberalism?	Debunking the Myth of Urban Castelessness in India through An Institutional Ethnography (IE) of Dalit Women’s Maternal Health	Cultural dilemmas in seeking social support: Mental health and emotional labour among Chinese international students in the UK	Is fear useful? Theorizing ‘fear’ in gay men’s accounts of COVID-19	Using normalisation process theory to evaluate the implementation of a digital health intervention in community and secondary care long COVID clinics	my data, your system: personal data stores in health and social care	Researching and Improving Health(care) Post-Participatory Turn: can Elinor Ostrom's principles for collaborative group working help?
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12:30-13:00				Abortion exceptionalism and the limits of collaboration: Co-design, community engagement and the politics of post-abortion contraception	Intergenerational Familial Care Practices in Contexts of Disability and Chronic Illness	'Minds at the margin': A sociological study of the mental health ecosystem for tribal communities in Kerala, India		Medical Confinement and Citizenship: The Political Struggles of Hansen's Disease Patients in Greece	Can hierarchic medical reforms promote health equity among older populations? Evidence from China	
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13:00-14:30: Lunch (Foyer)