

The Identification of Research Priorities for UK Occupational Therapists in Work Rehabilitation

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For which topic were research priorities identified?

occupational therapy in work rehabilitation

In which location was the research priority setting conducted?

Europe - United Kingdom

Why was it conducted at all?

UK occupational therapists are recognised as having key skills in work rehabilitation, but there is limited evidence to underpin this. In order to use research resources to best effect, it is vital to identify the research priorities of occupational therapists in work rehabilitation.

What was the objective?

to gather the views of those with a special interest in the field in order to identify their research priorities

What was the outcome?

a ranking list of 6 research areas

How long did the research prioritization take?

October 2012 - November 2013

Which methods were used to identify research priorities?

survey

How were the priorities for research identified exactly?

Step 1: research questions devised by researchers. Step 2: survey: participants were asked to rate research questions

Which stakeholders took part?

Occupational therapists: 42 participants.

How were stakeholders recruited?

Participants were members of the College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section-Work (COTSS-Work).

Were stakeholders actively involved or did they just participate?

Stakeholders were mere participants of the research prioritization process; they were not actively involved in the process.