

What does 'safe care' mean in the context of community-based mental health services? A qualitative exploration of the perspectives of service users, carers, and healthcare providers in England.

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[Community-based](#) mental health care receives less research attention than other care types and locations. In this study, people who have used community-based mental health care, carers, and providers shared their perspectives on what safety means in that setting. Four themes were uncovered: (1) systemic challenges, such as [access](#) to care; (2) managing risks to [patients](#) or those around them; (3) how clinicians can cause harm or proactively prevent it; and (4) safe care is a work in progress.