Development of the Structured Clinical Interview for Voice-hearers (SCIV)
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Qualitative research into phenomenology of auditory verbal hallucinations.

Abstract Text:
According to literature, the experience of hearing voices (HV) is common for patients with dissociative disorders, psychosis, personality disorders, PTSD or eating disorders. HV is also reported in the non-clinical population. However, phenomenological research analysing qualitative characteristics of HV, explanatory models and coping strategies in different groups is limited in scope and number. Despite significant development of knowledge in HV field, there are few useful tools to be applied by clinicians in daily practice. To explore various aspects of auditory hallucinations in clinical and non-clinical groups, we developed a Structured Clinical Interview for Voice-hearers (SCIV), to be applied by healthcare professionals and researchers. In this presentation we demonstrate its structure and preliminary findings based on using this instrument. We discuss areas for further research and development.