



# DIGITAL MENTAL HEALTH LANDSCAPING IN LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES RAPID RESEARCH EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL LAB (RREAL)

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# **Executive Summary**

### Introduction

The aim of this project was to map the landscape of who is doing what and where in digital mental health, and to provide recommendations that may assist in targeting communication efforts and funding calls. To address this, the project consisted of three studies:

- 1. Social Media Review
- 2. Systematic Literature Review
- 3. Focused Consultation with experts.

This report presents the comprehensive results of digital mental health interventions across both academic and commercial landscapes in LMICs. The findings highlight the diverse range of interventions, technologies, and mental health conditions addressed, as well as the geographical distribution and stakeholder involvement in the development and testing of these interventions.

### **Key Findings**

### Types of Interventions and Technologies

The most common types of digital mental health interventions identified were for treatment purposes, followed by diagnosis, prediction, monitoring, and prevention. Mobile and tablet apps were the most frequently used technology, particularly for treatment interventions. For example, the Inuka app in Kenya and Zimbabwe matches people to community health volunteers, supports mental health screening, and provides a medium for delivery of problem-solving therapy to address depression and anxiety. Websites and web-based platforms were also common, such as the Deprexis platform, developed in Germany and adapted for Brazil, which delivers CBT for depression, and Healthy Psychological Station in China, consisting of tailored CBT for depression and anxiety. Emerging technologies such as machine learning, AI, and virtual reality were increasingly being explored, particularly for diagnosis and prediction purposes. For instance, a machine learning model developed in India aimed to predict suicide attempts with 95% accuracy by analysing individual behaviour, whilst virtual reality exposure therapy for obsessive compulsive disorder is being trialled in the Dominican Republic. It is important to underscore the responsible use of these emerging technologies. For example, ensuring ethical standards and cultural relevance in their development and deployment when imported from high-income countries is crucial for their successful integration and acceptance in low- and middle-income countries.

### Mental Health Conditions Targeted

Within the focus of this report, which covered anxiety, depression and psychosis (broadly defined), depression and anxiety disorders were the most frequently targeted conditions across all intervention types. We also identified interventions focusing on schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, and psychosis. For example, the CONEMO app in Brazil and Peru focused on addressing symptoms of depression, the Bipolar Tracking Assistant (BTA) in Iran aimed to predict and monitor bipolar episodes, and the GOGBRAIN app in India was developed to tackle schizophrenia.

### Geographical Distribution

The majority of digital mental health interventions were developed and tested in East Asia and the Pacific, particularly in China. Latin America and the Caribbean, South Asia, and the Middle East and North Africa, also had a noteworthy number of interventions. Sub-Saharan Africa had the fewest interventions, highlighting a potential gap in research and implementation in this region. For instance, while numerous interventions were identified in countries such as China, India, and Brazil, only a handful of studies were

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found in countries such as Kenya, Nigeria, and South Africa. Figures throughout the report are presented with and without interventions developed in China, as although it has developed a large number of digital mental health interventions, it was not the direct focus of this work.

### Stakeholder Involvement

The involvement of people with lived experience and other stakeholders (e.g., carers, teachers, coaches) in the development and testing of interventions was inconsistently reported. Only 36 papers (26 without China) reported some form of stakeholder involvement, with varying levels of detail provided. When mentioned, their involvement varied in nature from more meaningful cultural adaptation to less meaningful consultation such as user experience testing and feedback. For example, the SHARP project in India and the US involved patients, family members, and clinicians in co-designing and adapting the mindLAMP app to ensure cultural relevance and improve usability. Experts emphasized the importance of close collaboration with local communities to ensure cultural relevance, highlighting the unique context of each LMIC.

### Intervention Development Stages

Most interventions were in the early stages of development, such as pilot or feasibility trials. Fewer interventions were in the effectiveness testing or implementation stages, highlighting the need for more research on the scalability and real-world impact of these interventions. For instance, while numerous pilot and RCT studies were identified for mobile app-based interventions in countries like China, India, and Brazil, relatively few studies assessed their effectiveness in real-world settings or their implementation at scale.

### **Barriers and Challenges**

Key barriers reported by intervention users included stigma, difficulties with internet access, and lack of cultural adaptation. For example, participants in studies from Pakistan and Indonesia cited stigma as a major barrier to accessing mental health services, including digital interventions. Researchers and developers cited challenges in generalizing interventions, ensuring adherence, and maintaining engagement. For instance, studies from China and Brazil reported high dropout rates and low engagement as significant challenges in evaluating the effectiveness of digital interventions. Lack of resources, including human, infrastructure, and economic resources, and health inequalities were identified as broader barriers to access. Experts also raised concerns about increased investments in the field without systematic exploration or holistic cultural adaptation, particularly when apps are brought from high-income countries to LMICs.

### Partnerships and Funding

Europe and the United States were identified as main partners in Latin America, with the UK involved to a smaller extent. Experts in LMICs emphasized the need for partnerships and funding from high-income countries to address the treatment gap, provide training, facilitate collaboration, and ensure the sustainability of interventions. They highlighted several areas where support could be beneficial, such as:

- Addressing the low number of professionals and treatment gap in LMICs. This is the disparity between the number of people who require mental health care and those who actually receive it.
- Providing training on integrating technology and digital interventions into routine mental healthcare.
- Facilitating collaboration between mental health professionals and developers.
- Fostering international networks for exchanging expertise, information, and practical tools.
- Supporting the use of data already being collected in LMICs for developing digital mental health interventions to ensure the sustainability and dissemination after project funding ends.

### **Regional Highlights**

East Asia and the Pacific:



This region was dominated by interventions from China, with a focus on treatment and the use of mobile apps, websites, and emerging technologies like AI and machine learning. For example, the XiaoE chatbot in China used AI to deliver cognitive-behavioural therapy for depression, while the Mommy Go app provided web-based support for perinatal depression. Coping Camp is another app from China aimed at tackling depression and anxiety in high school students. Other countries in the region, such as Indonesia and Vietnam, had a smaller number of interventions, primarily focusing on depression and anxiety treatment using mobile apps and websites, such as the Guided Act and Feel – Indonesia (GAF-ID) web-based platform for depression.

#### Latin America and the Caribbean:

Interventions in this region primarily originated from academic institutions in countries like Brazil, Mexico, and Colombia. They focused on addressing depression and anxiety using mobile apps and websites. For instance, the Conemo app in Brazil and Peru used a combination of behavioural activation and mobile technology to address depression, while the Cuida tu Ánimo app in Colombia and Chile provided early intervention for anxiety and depression. A chatbot developed in Argentina, 'Tess', is testing the use of AI to send reminders, psychoeducation, and emotional support responses to users with depression and anxiety. Partnerships with the US and Europe were reported in several studies.

#### South Asia:

India and Pakistan had the most interventions in this region, focusing on treatment and diagnosis using mobile apps and machine learning. For example, the TreadWill app in India delivered cognitive-behavioural therapy for depression and anxiety, whilst the POD Adventures app used gamification to teach problem solving concepts for depression and anxiety in students. An example from Pakistan is the Thinking Health Programme involving peer-support for patients with depression. Collaborations with the US and UK were a crucial component in some studies, such as the SHARP project, supported by the Wellcome Trust and leading to the development of the MINDLamp platform and its adaptation into Hindi.

#### Middle East and North Africa:

Iran and Egypt had the most interventions in this region, with a mix of treatment, diagnosis, and prediction tools using various technologies. For example, the Happy Mom platform in Iran provided cognitivebehavioural therapy for mothers with depression, while a PTSD Coach Online-Arabic was developed in Egypt to manage PTSD symptoms in trauma-exposed adults . Other countries, such as Lebanon, had a smaller number of interventions, primarily focusing on depression, such as Step-by-step, which is an illustrative narrative program embedded in a digital platform with psychoeducation components.

#### Sub-Saharan Africa:

Few interventions were identified in this region, mostly focusing on depression and anxiety treatment using mobile apps. For instance, the Inuka app in Kenya and Zimbabwe uses a problem-solving therapy delivered by lay health workers to address depression and anxiety, and the Kumasha app in South Africa uses behavioural activities components to address depression. One mental health start up, Blueroom Care, is a text, video, or voice chat-based online therapy app that connects users with licensed therapists and mental health professionals. However, the limited number of interventions highlights the need for more research and implementation efforts in this region.

### Strengths and limitations

Findings presented are the result of comprehensive searches and triangulation of information in the three studies that were carried out in this project. The media and literature reviews utilised comprehensive approaches to gather data on digital mental health interventions in LMICs, though both faced limitations. The media review employed social listening tools (Brandwatch and Pulsar) to analyse content from digital



platforms, focusing on interventions but excluding telemedicine, teletherapy, and China, and limited to freely available media, potentially missing premium content. Repeated mentions and out-of-scope tools led to an initial high volume of posts, but a final count of fewer unique interventions. The literature review used a systematic database search with pre-defined criteria, though pragmatic adjustments for timely results may have excluded some studies, particularly those with very new or uncommon digital methods that were not explicitly described as such in the title. Single screening and data extraction were conducted due to time constraints, which could introduce errors but were deemed suitable for this review's scope. Both reviews mapped a wide range of digital interventions, though some studies lacked detail on user involvement and barriers, and descriptions of the interventions themselves were sometimes insufficient. The expert consultation was targeted to address specific research questions and complement the review findings. Despite the demographic, professional, and geographical diversity captured, the small number of participants should be taken into account when interpreting findings.

### Conclusion

This overview highlights the diverse landscape of digital mental health interventions in LMICs, with a growing focus on the use of mobile apps, websites, and emerging technologies for the treatment and diagnosis of common mental health conditions. While promising interventions have been identified across various regions, significant gaps remain in terms of geographical coverage, stakeholder involvement, and the scalability and sustainability of interventions. Sub-Saharan Africa, in particular, emerged as a region with limited research and information on implementation of interventions, despite the high burden of mental health conditions.

The findings also underscore the importance of cultural relevance, stakeholder engagement, and implementation research in the development and evaluation of digital mental health interventions in LMICs. Collaborative efforts between researchers, clinicians, technology developers, and people with lived experience are crucial to ensure that interventions are acceptable, feasible, and effective in the local contexts.

Targeted funding and communication efforts are needed to address the identified challenges and opportunities in this field. This includes prioritising early-stage implementation research which can uncover critical insights into user engagement, technological infrastructure, and healthcare integration, which are essential for the sustainability and scalability of these interventions. It also includes promoting culturally relevant interventions, supporting the development of interventions for a broader range of mental health conditions, fostering partnerships between LMICs and high-income countries, promoting the integration of digital interventions into existing healthcare systems, encouraging the responsible use of emerging technologies, providing funding for prevention and early intervention strategies, and supporting research on the long-term impact and cost-effectiveness of digital interventions.

By addressing these recommendations, funders and researchers can contribute to the development of a more robust and equitable evidence base for digital mental health interventions in LMICs, ultimately improving access to mental healthcare and promoting the well-being of populations in these settings.



## **Overview of each study**

### Media Review

### Aim and methods

The media review aimed to identify and map organisations and entities involved in the development or implementation of digital mental health tools and interventions specifically targeting low and middle-income countries (LMICs), as well as to highlight key initiatives being produced or utilised in these settings. This objective was achieved through an extensive analysis of social media discourse and online content related to digital mental health in LMICs. The review sought to compile a detailed list of digital mental health tools mentioned for each of the LMICs, selected based on the volume of social media discourse on digital mental health interventions. This aligns with Wellcome's focus on understanding the landscape of digital mental health in LMICs and identifying potential areas for investment and support.

To achieve this objective, we conducted a thorough search and analysis of freely available digital platforms in the public domain using the social listening tools Brandwatch and Pulsar. The data sources included news articles, blogs, and social media posts (e.g., X/Twitter) from organizations, NGOs, and educational institutions, where no gatekeeper permission was required to access the data. Due to UCL ethics regulations, individual accounts were excluded. The data collection period spanned from January 2023 to January 2024, and the study fully adhered to UCL Research Ethics Committee guidelines regarding social media research, privacy considerations, and data management.

The 24 LMICs included in the analysis were identified through an initial social and media horizon scan, focusing on countries with the highest volume of posts contributing to social media discourse on digital mental health interventions. China was excluded from the whole media search from the very beginning, as this was indicated to be out of scope for the present report. To mitigate the limitations of individual tools and their respective API access agreements, we employed a combination of Brandwatch and Pulsar platforms, enabling us to gather data from a broader range of countries and capture a more representative picture of the discourse surrounding digital mental health interventions in LMICs.

A series of advanced Boolean search terms (Appendix 1) were utilised to capture the types of digital mental health interventions and platforms mentioned, key mental health conditions within the scope of the research question(s), and the targeted 24 LMIC locations. The analysis focused on content volume over time for each country, key performance metrics (e.g., total mentions and sources), trending topics, discussions of emerging and tested technologies and apps, and shared content sources related to digital mental health in LMICs during the 12-month period.

Recommendations from the media review are derived from a quantitative and qualitative analysis of key commentaries, suggestions, and topics of concern discussed by authors within the main articles of the source material for each country. These recommendations were developed to align with Wellcome's strategy and focus on identifying promising digital mental health interventions, gaps in research and implementation, and opportunities for investment and support in LMICs.

By employing this comprehensive approach, the media review aimed to provide valuable insights into the perception and discussion of digital mental health interventions across different regions, contributing to a better understanding of the current landscape and informing Wellcome's communication efforts and funding strategies in this field.

### Identified information sources

Below is an overview of the key insights and findings for each of the LMICs analysed in the media review. A total of 11,829 social media posts related to digital mental health interventions in Low and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs) were identified between January 2023 and January 2024 (Figure 1). The most predominant platforms for these discussions were online news outlets, blogs, forums, Tumblr, and X/Twitter. Figure 2 shows a topic wheel of the key themes identified, which are further identified in the

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overall results section.

### Strengths and limitations of the media review

**Review process:** Our media review utilised a comprehensive search and analysis approach, leveraging advanced social listening tools (Brandwatch and Pulsar) to gather data from a wide range of freely available digital platforms in the public domain. The use of Boolean search terms ensured the capture of relevant content related to digital mental health interventions, key mental health conditions, and the targeted 24 LMIC locations. The combination of quantitative and qualitative analysis provided valuable insights into the perception and discussion of digital mental health interventions across different regions. However, the exclusion of telemedicine and teletherapy data, as well as the omission of China from the analysis, may have limited the scope of the identified apps in the final output. Additionally, the licensing restrictions within the search tools (Brandwatch and Pulsar) to free digital media outlets meant that premium or paywalled outlets were not covered, potentially excluding some relevant content.

The media review analysis initially captured a large number of posts for each region and country, as shown in Table 3. However, the number of unique digital mental health interventions identified was lower (n = 31) than the total number of mentions. This discrepancy can be attributed to two main factors:

- 1. Repeated mentions of the same tool: In many cases, a single digital mental health intervention was mentioned multiple times across different posts and sources within a given country or region. While these repeated mentions contributed to the overall volume of posts analysed, they did not necessarily represent distinct interventions.
- 2. Tools that were out of scope: The analysis also captured mentions of digital tools and initiatives that fell outside the scope of this review, such as teletherapy platforms, WhatsApp support groups, and social media awareness campaigns. Although these tools were initially included in the post counts, they were subsequently excluded from the final list of interventions to maintain alignment with the review's focus on digital mental health interventions.

For example, in the South Asia region, India had the highest number of mentions at 6,747. However, a significant portion of these mentions referred to telehealth consultations, which were ultimately excluded from the final intervention count, as telehealth was considered out of scope for this review. Similar patterns were observed in other regions, where the number of unique interventions was considerably lower than the total number of mentions.

This refinement process, which involved removing repeated mentions and out-of-scope tools, resulted in a more accurate representation of the digital mental health intervention landscape in each region and country. The final list of interventions, though smaller in number compared to the initial post counts, provides a clearer picture of the relevant digital mental health tools and initiatives being developed and implemented across LMICs.

**Included Data:** The media review encompassed a broad spectrum of digital interventions aimed at treating, diagnosing, monitoring, predicting, and preventing mental health problems. However, the UCL Research Ethics Committee (UCL REC) restrictions limited searches to social media accounts run by academic, business, or government organizations and entities, excluding individual accounts. This may have resulted in the omission of insights and discussions from individuals with lived experience or those directly involved in the development or use of digital mental health interventions. Furthermore, the analysis of Facebook data was confined to open Facebook pages, meaning that discussions of apps within closed profiles or groups were not captured, potentially limiting the scale of findings.



#### *Figure 1: Timeline of posts identified between January 2023 and January 2024*



*Figure 2: Topic wheel summary of topics and themes identified in social media posts between January 2023 and February 2024.* 





Table 1 shows a full list of all identified digital mental health interventions by name, country, and targeted group, including a summary of what each intervention entails. All tools identified within the media review are listed, with the exception of teletherapy tools and those developed in China, which were captured but excluded as they are out of scope of the Wellcome Digital Mental Health strategy. Information in media and social media about initiatives from LMICs in Europe was scarce compared to other regions. The majority of interventions identified in the media review targeted the general population (n = 19). Several interventions were designed to cater to the needs of specific age groups, such as teenagers and young people (n = 6), as well as students and teachers (n = 1), such as in Thailand with the "School Health Hero" mobile application, developed in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Public Health Ministry. This app targets students by providing teachers with online consultation and assistance to identify potential mental health problems. There were interventions specifically for children, teenagers, and adults (n = 1), and students (n = 2), such as the Ingage Support app in South Africa, aimed at increasing mental health awareness and education, offering online counselling, mental health materials, and coping tools for children, teenagers, and adults. Some interventions focused on supporting employees (n = 4), for example, in Mexico with "Cuéntame," an online counselling platform that provides access to psychological support for employees in the workplace, aiming to help individuals better navigate mental health concerns. Other interventions targeted more specific groups, such as expatriates (n = 1) and soldiers (n = 1), such as Expathy, a mobile application platform originating from Turkey, designed to address the unique challenges faced by Turkish expatriates living abroad by offering culturally sensitive and language-specific psychological counselling.

These targeted interventions demonstrate the diverse groups addressed by digital mental health interventions across LMICs, ranging from youth and students to underserved rural communities, women, military personnel, expats, and employees in the workplace. However, it is important to note that many interventions also target the general population, aiming to improve access to mental health support and resources for all individuals in need.

Intervention/Organization	Country of	Target	Summary
	Origin	Groups	
Manodarpan Initiative (2)	India	General	Developed during the COVID-19
		population	pandemic, this initiative aims to
			provide psychosocial support for
			students, families, and teachers,
			emphasizing mental health assistance.
Mpower (3)	India	Employees	A holistic mental health care initiative
		and private	based in Mumbai, founded by Dr.
		citizens	Neerja Birla, providing mental health
			care, therapy, and awareness sessions
			for individuals and corporations.
Lusog-Isip App (4)	Philippines	General	A mobile app launched by the
		population,	Philippines Department of Health, a
		Women,	toolkit to improve mental health of
		children,	the general population, with a focus
		and young	on women, children, and young
		people	people.
MindYou Platform (5)	Philippines	Employees	A platform sponsored by AXA PH,
			providing mental health counselling to

#### Table 1: List of identified interventions in the media review



Intervention/Organization	Country of	Target	Summary
	Origin	Groups	
			its employees through licensed
			psychologists.
MindNation Platform (6)	Philippines	General	A mental health and well-being
(7)		population	organization offering digital mental
			health interventions.
MySejahtera (8-11)	Malaysia	General	MySejahtera in Malaysia not only
		population	facilitates COVID-19 contact tracing
			and health monitoring but also
			provides access to mental health
			services through features like hotline
			numbers and resources for support
			and guidance.
School Health Hero (12)	Thailand	Students,	A mobile application developed in
		teachers	collaboration with the Ministry of
			Education and Public Health Ministry,
			providing teachers with online
			consultation and assistance to identify
			potential mental health problems
			among students.
Humraaz App (13)	Pakistan	General	A mobile/web-based application
		population	launched by the Pakistani government,
			aimed at improving mental well-being
			and making mental health services
			more accessible.
Expathy (14)	Turkey	Expatriates	A counselling app providing emotional
			support and 24/7 counselling to expats
			based in various LMICs, including
			Turkey, offering culturally sensitive
			and language-specific psychological
			counselling.
Relaxy Limited (15)	Bangladesh	General	A tech-based wellness platform
		population	partnered with the Sajida Foundation,
			aiming to develop mental health
			mobile apps to revolutionise mental
			health support in Bangladesh by
			making it more accessible and stigma-
			free.
Sajida Foundation (16)	Bangladesh	General	A non-profit working to address
		population	mental health challenges by providing
			comprehensive support services,
			including mobile apps (in partnership
			with Relaxy Ltd) counselling, therapy,
			and awareness programs, aimed at
			reducing stigma and promoting mental
			well-being within communities.
Panda app (now October	South	Teenagers	A mental health support app for teens,
Health) (17, 18)	Africa		providing resources and a virtual



Intervention/Organization	Country of	Target	Summary
	Origin	Groups	
			support platform moderated by
			mental health professionals (utilised
			both in Kenya and South Africa)
U.WELL x Sensiks Express	South	General	A partnership between U.WELL (a
Wellness Pod (19)	Africa	population	subsidiary of the Universal Wellness
			Group) and Sensiks (a Netherlands-
			based company) offering a
			multisensory wellness experience for
			relaxation, mindfulness, and mental
			health support.
Ingage Support app (20)	South	Children,	An app aimed at increasing mental
	Africa	teenagers,	health awareness and education,
		and adults	offering online counselling, mental
			health materials, and coping tools for
			children, teenagers, and adults.
Kena Health (21)	South	Employees	A platform offering affordable mental
	Africa	and private	health and general health care via a
		citizens	digital app and online platform, with
			registered mental health
			professionals.
Amwell and Discovery	South	Employees	A partnership between Amwell and
Health's SilverCloud (22-	Africa		Discovery Health, providing access to
24)			SilverCloud, a digital mental
			healthcare platform for Discovery
			Health members in South Africa.
Wysa (25, 26)	South	Students	An app offering mental health,
	Africa	and staff	depression, and anxiety support and
			therapy to students and staff users in
			South Africa, in partnership with the
			University of the Western Cape and
			the South African Anxiety and
			Depression Group.
Mindful Kenya (27)	Kenya	General	A social enterprise offering a mobile
		population	app for mental health counselling
		ļ	services.
Panda app (now October	Kenya	Teenagers	A mental health support app for teens,
Health) (17, 18)			providing resources and a virtual
			support platform moderated by
			mental health professionals (utilised
			both in Kenya and South Africa).
Mental Health Data Prize –	Kenya	General	A partnership between Wellcome and
Africa (28, 29)		population	the African Population and Health
			Research Center, aiming to address
			research and innovation gaps in
			mental health conditions through
			data-driven insights.



Intervention/Organization	Country of	Target	Summary
	Origin	Groups	
Mental Health Data Prize –	Ghana	General	A partnership between Wellcome and
Africa (28, 29)		population	the African Population and Health
			Research Center, aiming to address
			research and innovation gaps in
			mental health conditions through
			data-driven insights.
Awesome Mind Speaks	Uganda	Teenagers	An organization developing the
(30)		and young	'KeepChatty' app to bridge the gap
		people	between young people and mental
			health service providers through
			digital mental health care.
Free Mind Hive (31)	Uganda	Teenagers	An organization that developed an
		and young	online app providing access to mental
		people	health information and support for
			youths experiencing mental disorders
			in Uganda.
TherapyMantra (32)	Indonesia	General	An online therapy and counselling
		population	service for individuals suffering from
			mental health conditions such as
			anxiety, phobias, and PTSD, based in
			Jakarta.
Pura mente (33)	Chile	General	Mobile application for meditation and
		population	mindfulness (available in Colombia).
Pura mente (33)	Colombia	General	Mobile application for meditation and
		population	mindfulness (available in Chile).
BeMe Health (34)	Mexico	leenagers	Platform for teenagers/adolescents
		and young	with coaching, emotional support, and
		people	service connections.
Ove (25)	Movico	Conoral	Mobile application for mindfulness
Oye (55)	IVIEXICO	General	amotional support, and goal sotting
(26)	Drozil	Conoral	Montal health ann aimed at alloviating.
Collenio (So)	DI dZII	General	doprossivo symptoms in individuals
		μομιιατιοπ	with chronic conditions being
			evaluated through PCTs (in both Brazil
			and Peru)
WellmindGPT (37)	South	Military	This conversational AL developed with
Weinfinder (37)	Korea	Personnel	support from Microsoft and informed
	Korea	reisonnei	by mental health specialists like
			Brofessor Kwon Jun-soo, provides
			tailored support for soldiers, offering
			assessments and assistance with
			depression anyiety incomnia stress
			and resilience through dedicated
			military portals like the Nara Sarang
			and the Defense Welfare Portal



Intervention/Organization	Country of	Target	Summary
	Origin	Groups	
Cuentame (38)	Mexico	General population	The Cuentame program in Mexico offers comprehensive mental health support through a mobile application, providing resources, information, and assistance for users dealing with various mental health challenges. Led by a team of experts, it aims to promote mental well-being and reduce stigma surrounding mental health issues in Mexico

### Literature Review

### Aim and methods

The overall objective of this review was to map who is doing what, where in relation to digital mental health in LMICs. Research questions were as follows:

1. What are the emerging and established digital mental health interventions being developed or tested in LMICs? 2. What do these interventions entail?

3. Where are they developed and implemented?

We searched for relevant published studies and protocols describing interventions meeting our inclusion criteria in four databases (Medline, PsycINFO, Embase, and Cochrane CENTRAL) between January 2020 and January 2024. Following deduplication, we systematically applied inclusion criteria and excluded studies that did not fit these criteria. Finally, we extracted information on the stage of care the intervention was aimed at, the type of digital intervention, the stage of development that the intervention was in, and the target mental health condition or symptoms. We used these to group studies and describe their characteristics.

Further details on the search strategy is available in Appendix 2 and full details of the paper inclusion/exclusion criteria, the flow of studies through the screening process, and definitions of variables used to group interventions can be found in Appendix 3.

### Identified information sources

The total number of papers for screening constituted 3498 papers. From these, 433 papers were included for full-text screening, and of these, 136 papers were included. These described 112 unique interventions. Forty papers in total referred to 16 interventions by name, while the rest did not give specific intervention names. The full search and screening process is represented in Appendix 3.2.

Most included papers were articles published in peer reviewed journals, but also included two protocols. It is important to highlight that multiple papers might be referring to the same intervention and represent various steps of the testing process. Where applicable, "studies" represent individual publications (which may be about the same intervention) and "interventions" represent distinct digital interventions mentioned in studies. Furthermore, not all papers listed intervention names and might have referred to them only as using "internetbased CBT" within an app that they developed. In such cases those interventions were grouped as one when presented in the final interventions table as they represented similar or the same tools/approaches.

### Strengths and limitations of the literature review



Review process: Our literature review utilised a systematic database search process and pre-defined inclusion criteria to ensure a non-biased search and screening process. However, the breadth of the area of focus necessitated a pragmatic approach to developing the search strategy to ensure timely delivery of results. For example, forms of digital technology were required to be specified by studies in their title or assigned keywords to be picked up. This may have excluded i) studies which have developed entirely new, unknown forms of technology and ii) studies which may have utilised technology but this technology was not the main focus of the paper. However, as the focus of this review was newly developed technology and terms did encompass broader terms referring to technology such as "digital" or "electronic", we are confident that the majority of relevant studies to our review questions would have been found. Secondly, the short timeframe of this review necessitated a single screening and data extraction approach, which may have introduced errors. While dual screening and data extraction is recommended for scoping reviews, it is less important than for systematic reviews of effectiveness, which directly feed into clinical guidelines, as numerical effect sizes are not extracted from the literature. Therefore, it was deemed appropriate for the goals and timeline of this literature review.

Included literature: The included literature covered a broad range of digital interventions aiming to treat, diagnose, monitor, predict and prevent mental health problems. However, as we did not exclude studies based on study design, some early reports were lacking in detail, particularly relating to the extent of involvement of people with lived experience and reported barriers to use. In some instances, descriptions of the digital intervention itself were also lacking.

### Focused expert consultation

#### Aim and methods

The aim of this consultation was to obtain further details around who is doing what, where in relation to digital mental health in LMICs, as well as gain a better understanding of lived experience involvement. We obtained UCL ethics approval (Ethics ID: 26357.002) to conduct individual interviews and disseminate a survey including questions such as "Is there lived experience involvement in the development of the interventions you have mentioned?", and "Please, screen this list and complete the table below with any other digital mental health interventions that you know which are not included there". The research team used a sampling table to map a broad range of experts from our networks considering their region of focus and their professional background (including experts with lived experience). We reached out via personal emails and social media posts on X and LinkedIn to get an overview of the work they are currently conducting and apply snowball sampling to identify and document other teams and initiatives. Feedback from the project's lived experience advisor on the interview schedule and survey can be found in Appendix 4. The full interview schedule can be seen in Appendix 5, and the survey can be seen in Appendix 6.

### Sample description

Eleven experts provided full responses in this consultation. Of these, six were women and five were men, and all were between 25-64 years old, from a spread of ethnic origins, and residing in Asia, Europe, Latin America, and sub-Saharan Africa. Four people reported having lived experience which they applied to their work, four were academic researchers, one clinician, and one person from the third sector. Full sociodemographic information of the respondents can be found in Table 2.

Table 2: Characteristics of stakeholders



Characteristics	Respondent n(%) - N=11
Gender	<ul> <li>Female n=6 (55%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Male n=5 (45%)</li> </ul>
Age	■ 25-34 n=1 (9%)
	■ 35-44 n=7 (64%)
	■ 45-54 n=1 (9%)
	■ 55-64 n=2 (18%)
Ethnic origin	<ul> <li>Central America and Caribbean n = 2 (18%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Eastern Europe n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>South America n = 3 (28%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>South and Southeast Asia n =2 (18%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sub-Saharan Africa n =1 (9%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Western Europe n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sub-Saharan Africa n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
Region of Residency	<ul> <li>Asia/Pacific n = 3 (27%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Europe n = 4 (37%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Latin America n = 3 (27%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sub-Saharan Africa n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
Disability	<ul> <li>Considers as having a disability or long-term health</li> </ul>
	condition, n = 1 (9%)
	<ul> <li>Doesn't consider having a disability or long-term health</li> </ul>
	condition, n = 8 (73%)
	Prefer not to say, n = 1 (9%)
	<ul> <li>No response, n =1 (9%)</li> </ul>
Region of work	<ul> <li>Asia/Pacific, n = 2 (18%)</li> </ul>
	Europe, n = 1 (9%)
	<ul> <li>North America, n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Latin America, n = 2 (18%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sub-Saharan Africa, n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Multiple Regions, n = 4 (37%)</li> </ul>
Background	<ul> <li>Person with lived experience applied in the field, n = 4 (37%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Academic/Researcher, n = 4 (37%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Academic and Clinician, n = 2 (18%)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Charitable, NGO sector, n = 1 (9%)</li> </ul>

### Strengths and limitations

This study followed gold standard qualitative research methods and ethical considerations. The data collection was directed and comprehensive to cover the questions relevant to this study, and participants were experts who were considered to have a good understanding of the field in their region (participants with high information power (39).

The number of participants was smaller than we initially aimed. While we reached experts from around the globe, with different demographic and professional characteristics, their views cannot be considered representative of all the experiences from people working in this field. We considered participants' answers in light of findings from the reviews and the expertise by experience from members of our research team.



# **Results: Digital Mental Health Interventions in LMICs**

### Geography

#### **Literature Review**

The geographical locations of where interventions were developed and/or tested were grouped using the World Bank classification (104). Countries from the following regions were represented: East Asia and Pacific, Middle East and North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa, Europe and Central Asia, South Asia, Latin America and Caribbean or from multiple regions.

Most of the interventions described were developed or tested (or both) in East Asia and the Pacific (n = 57), with China having the highest number of interventions described overall (n = 49). When excluding China, the Middle East and North Africa had the highest number of studies (n = 18). The two countries with the highest number of interventions described when excluding China were Iran and India, both with n = 9.

As part of the literature review, we also extracted information on the location of first author primary affiliations as a high-level means of exploring where researchers and developers publishing literature are based. This is displayed in Figure 3. In the case of 34 publications, first author affiliations were different to the location of intervention development and/or testing.





Figure 3: Location of lead author affiliation for each intervention. Orange points represent author affiliations which are different to the country of development/testing and red points represent author affiliations which are the same as the countries of development/testing



### Media Review

The media review analysis captured digital mental health interventions across various regions, as shown in the table below. The interventions were categorized using the World Bank classification, as in the literature review.

The media review identified a total of 31 unique digital mental health interventions across various regions. South Asia had six interventions, with India accounting for three, and Pakistan and Bangladesh for one. In Sub-Saharan Africa, 12 interventions were found, with South Africa leading with six, followed by Kenya with three, Uganda with two, and Ghana with one. In Latin America and the Caribbean, six interventions were identified, with Mexico contributing three, and Chile, Colombia, and Brazil one each. Europe and Central Asia had one intervention from Turkey. No interventions were identified in the Middle East and North Africa, or across multiple regions.

Table 3 shows the geography of all interventions identified through the social media and literature reviews, as well as the few additions suggested by experts in the consultation.

The results for each country are integrated into the tables presented in the systematic literature review structure and aligned with key characteristics such as treatment, diagnosis, monitoring, prediction, prevention, target population, and barriers. The funding column in the table indicates whether the tools identified in the media review were commercially, governmentally, or academically funded.

Region	Number (studies, interventions)	Countries (N studies)			
Literature Re	Literature Review				
Latin America and Caribbean	27 studies, 19 interventions	Argentina (n = 1), Brazil (n = 8), Brazil and Peru (n = 3), Dominican Republic (n = 3), Colombia and Chile (n = 2), Chile (n = 1), Chile and Mexico (n = 1), Ecuador (n = 2), Mexico (n = 5), Peru (n = 1)			
South Asia	19 studies, 19 interventions	Bangladesh (n = 2), India (n = 9), Nepal (n = 1), Pakistan (n = 7)			
Middle East and North Africa	18 studies, 14 interventions	Egypt (n = 3), Iran (n = 9), Lebanon (n = 4), Oman (n = 1), Palestine (n = 1)			
East Asia and Pacific	57 studies, 52 Interventions Excluding China: 8 studies, 8 interventions	China (n = 49), Indonesia (n = 4), Malaysia (n = 1), Thailand (n = 2), Vietnam (n = 1)			
Europe and Central	6 studies, 4 interventions	Belarus (n = 1), Bosnia and Herzegovina (n = 1), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia (n = 2), Turkey (n			

Table 3: Number of studies or interventions per region and country identified in the literature and media reviews



Region	Number (studies,	Countries (N studies)
	interventions)	
Asia		= 2),
Sub-	5 studies, 4	Kenya (n = 1), Nigeria (n = 1), South Africa (n =
Saharan	interventions	2), Zimbabwe (n = 1)
Africa		
Multiple	4 studies, 3	India, South Africa, Nigeria and High-income
regions	interventions	countries (n = 1), India and US (n = 3)
Media Revie	W	
Region	Number of	Countries (Number of posts before exclusion for
	interventions (by	repeated mentions of interventions)
<b>C</b> 1	country)	
Sub-	12 interventions:	South Africa: 814 posts; Nigeria: 338 posts; Kenya: 211
Sanaran	(South Africa: 6;	posts; Gnana: 171 posts; Uganda: 9 posts
AIIICa	2: Chana: 1)	
Fast Asia	7 interventions:	Malaysia: 1 667 nosts: Vietnam: 744 nosts: Korea: 121
and	(Philippines: 3:	nosts: Philippines: 93 nosts: Indonesia: 194 nosts:
Pacific	Malavsia: 1:	Thailand: 450 posts
i dente	Thailand: 1: South	
	Korea: 1:	
	Indonesia: 1)	
	,	
South	6 interventions:	India: 6,747 posts; Pakistan: 143 posts; Bangladesh: 91
Asia	(India: 3; Pakistan:	posts; Sri Lanka: 75 posts
	1; Bangladesh: 2)	
Latin	6 interventions:	Brazil: 101 posts; Colombia: 309 posts; Dominican
America	(Chile: 1; Colombia:	Republic: 29 posts; Jamaica: 28 posts; Mexico: 124
and	1; Mexico: 3; Brazil:	posts
Caribbean	1)	
Europe	1 intervention:	Turkey: 130 posts; Albania: 38 posts
and	(Turkey: 1)	
Central		
Asia		
Middle	N/A	N/A
Fast and		
North		
Africa		
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Multiple	N/A	N/A
regions		
Expert consu	lltation	
Region	Number of	Links to information
	interventions by	
	country	



Region	Number (studies,	Countries (N studies)
	interventions)	
Latin	Argentine (n=1),	Argentine ( <u>https://www.appcalma.co.m/site/en/</u> )
America	Colombia (n=1),	Colombia ( <u>https://www.c4tbh.org/program-</u>
and	Colombia and	review/space-from-depression/)
Caribbean	Mexico (n=1)	Colombia and Mexico
		(https://sites.google.com/view/yopuedosentirmebien/)
Sub-	Kenya (n=1),	Kenya ( <u>https://www.shamiri.institute/</u> )
Saharan	Nigeria (n=1),	Nigeria (https://grassrootsoccer.org/wp-
Africa	South Africa and	content/uploads/2023/06/SAMPLE-Mindskillz-
	Uganda (n=1)	Magazine.pdf)
		South Africa and Uganda
		(https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38032691)
N/A: Not appl	icable	

#### Summary of example telehealth interventions

Tools that were out of scope: The analysis also captured mentions of digital tools and initiatives that fell outside the scope of this review. These interventions include web-based platforms offering variations of telehealth services and helplines/WhatsApp messaging aimed at addressing mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, PTSD, and social media awareness campaigns. Although these tools were initially included in the post counts, they were subsequently excluded from the final list of interventions to maintain alignment with the review's focus on digital mental health interventions.

Although teletherapy and telemedicine were out of scope of this current study, it was noted that there were 7 countries within the study that additionally utilised these interventions. Countries that were included in the main analysis, and also had telehealth interventions: include, Bangladesh (2), India (1), Malaysia (1), Mexico (2), Pakistan (2), the Philippines (1), and South Korea (2). Countries found with only telehealth and no other interventions were: Albania (1), Jamaica (1), and Nigeria (2). Further details of each telehealth intervention can be found in Table 4 below.

Country	Interventio n Type	App/Servi ce Name	Brief Summary	Source			
Countries who	Countries where only telehealth interventions were identified						
Albania	Web-based	Nuk je	Provides online	Available from:			
	Platforms	vetem (40)	counselling for young	https://nukjevetem.al/			
			people and				
			adolescents with				
			complete anonymity				
			and direct access to				
			psychologists.				
Jamaica	Teletherap	SafeSpot	Offers teletherapy	Available from:			
	y Helpline	(41)	services for young	https://safespotja.com/			
			people and				
			adolescents.				
Nigeria	Telehealth	Blueroomc	Fast-growing	Available from:			
		are (42)	telehealth platform	https://blueroomcare.com/			
			providing therapy via				

#### Table 4: Telehealth interventions identified in the media review



Country	Interventio	App/Servi	Brief Summary	Source
	n Type	ce Name		
			in-app messaging,	
			video, and voice.	
Nigeria	Telemedici	HealthCon	Combines	Available from:
	ne	nect24×7	telemedicine,	https://healthconnect247.com
		(43)	telemonitoring, and	/
			home health to	
			provide access to	
			doctors and wellness	
			experts via various	
			digital means.	
Countries whe	ere telehealth into	erventions were	identified in addition to oth	ner types of interventions
Bangladesh	Helplines	Kaan Pete	Emotional support	Available from:
		Roi (44)	and suicide	https://www.kaanpeteroi.org/
			prevention helpline	
			operated by the Sajida	
			Foundation.	
Bangladesh	Helplines	Shojon	Provides mental	Available from:
		(45)	health support and	https://www.sajida.org/sajida
			psychological	s-programmes/fostering-
			counselling through a	equity/mental-health/
			helpline.	
India	Web-based	Tele-	Provides telehealth	Available from:
	Platforms	MANAS	support via a toll-free	https://telemanas.mohfw.gov.
		(46)	national helpline, as	in/#/home
			well as an interactive	
			online chatbot	
			platform offering	
			counselling and	
			guidance by	
			psychologists.	
Malaysia	Telehealth	TeleHope	Provides free online	Available from:
		Health	mental health therapy	https://www.telehopehealth.c
		(47)	by a team of	om/
			Malaysian	
			psychiatrists,	
			counsellors, and	
			psychologists.	
Mexico	Telehealth/	MeetingD	Online counselling	Available from:
	Teletherap	octors (48)	service available to	https://meetingdoctors.com/
	У		businesses, offering	
			mental health	
			support.	
Mexico	Helplines	Centro de	Provides 24/7	Available from:
		Atención	emotional support	https://www.gob.mx/salud%7
		Ciudadana	and resources to	Cconadic/
		Linea de la	individuals in distress.	
		Vida		



Country	Interventio	App/Servi	Brief Summary	Source
	n Type	ce Name		
		(Citizen Care Center Lifeline) (49)		
Pakistan	Helplines	Pursukoon Zindagi Helpline (50)	Provides peer-based support groups, phone or video counselling, and a mental health helpline.	Available from: https://ird.global/program/me ntal- health/projects/pursukoon- zindagi/
Pakistan	Telehealth/ Telemedici ne	Sehat Kahani (51)	Offers telehealth and remote mental health counselling.	Available from: https://sehatkahani.com/
Philippines	Apps	Empath (52)	Offers tele-mental health services, including online counselling and support for various organisations.	Available from: https://empath.ph/
South Korea	Telehealth	KakaoTalk (53)	Platform providing telehealth services, including mental health self-diagnosis and Al-based support.	Available from: https://www.kakaocorp.com/ page/service/service/KakaoTal k
South Korea	Telehealth	Naver Portal (54)	Platform providing telehealth and mental health counselling services. In recent years, it has acted as a base from which to launch and connect other digital health services in South Korea.	Available from: 1. https://koreajoongangd aily.joins.com/news/202 3-12- 05/national/socialAffair s/Korea-to-provide- mental-health- counselling-to-1-million- by-2027/1928508 2. https://recruit.navercor p.com/cnts/benefits?lan g=en

### Characteristics of interventions

### Media Review

In total, 31 interventions were identified in the media review across various regions and countries. The majority of these interventions were mobile or tablet apps (n = 21), followed by digital platforms (n = 4),



artificial intelligence/artificial networks (n = 4), virtual reality (n = 1), and computer software (n = 1). These interventions targeted different stages of mental health care, including treatment, diagnosis, monitoring, and prevention. The interventions were developed and implemented in a range of countries, with South Africa having the highest number of interventions (n = 6), followed by India (n = 3), Mexico (n = 3), the Philippines (n = 3), Kenya (n = 3), Bangladesh (2) and Uganda (n = 2). Other countries, such as Malaysia, Thailand, South Korea, Indonesia, Turkey, Ghana, Chile, Colombia, Pakistan, and Brazil, had one intervention each. Information on the form of digitalisation of each intervention can be found in Tables 5-7.

#### **Literature Review**

In total, 112 interventions were identified across various regions and countries. Seventy interventions described were for the purposes of treatment (47 interventions without China), 17 for diagnosis alone or combined with monitoring or treatment (nine interventions without China), ten for monitoring alone (six interventions without China), 12 for prediction (five interventions without China) and three interventions for prevention (two interventions without China).

Within these 112 identified digital interventions, the form of digitalisation could be broadly divided into: artificial intelligence/artificial networks (n = 3/n = 1 without China), machine/deep learning (n = 21/n = 5without China), virtual reality (n = 9/n = 3 without China), mobile or tablet apps (n = 39/n = 29 without China), websites/web-based platforms (not including Internet based CBT; n = 34/n = 19 without China), chatbot or plugins (n = 1), and computer software (n = 5/n = 2 without China).

#### **Treatment Interventions**

There were 70 interventions (47 interventions without China) designed to support treatment of mental health conditions found through the literature review. Almost all (n = 68) involved patients as the intended user, although some of these (n = 16) also involved use by clinicians, volunteers or peers. Their indication focus was on anxiety disorders (including any mentions from the papers of anxiety symptoms, diagnosed anxiety condition, clinical anxiety, social anxiety, anxiety; n = 7/ n = 4 without China), depressive disorders (n = 31/ n = 21 without China), depression and anxiety (n = 17/n = 13 without China), schizophrenia (n = 6/ n=3 without China), post- traumatic stress disorder (n = 1), Bipolar disorder (n = 1), obsessive compulsive disorder (n = 4/ n = 2 without China), depression and suicide (n = 1/ n = 0 without China), multiple conditions (which could include depression, anxiety, or schizophrenia) (n = 2). Most of the studies describing these interventions were described by authors as in the feasibility/pilot testing (n = 35, n = 27 without China) stage of development, although 30 (n = 13 without China) although VR (n = 8, n = 2 without China) and web-based platforms (n = 16) were also developed for digital-based treatment.

In the media review, a total of 23 interventions were identified for the purposes of treatment across various regions. The majority of these interventions were mobile or tablet apps (n = 15), followed by online counselling platforms (n = 3), AI chatbots (n = 2), sensory reality devices (n = 1), machine learning models (n = 1), and mobile applications (n = 1). These interventions targeted a range of mental health conditions, including general mental health concerns, depression, anxiety, PTSD, mindfulness, and emotional support. The interventions were developed and implemented in several countries, with South Africa having the highest number of treatment interventions (n = 6), followed by Mexico (n = 3), Kenya (n = 3), and the Philippines (n = 2). Other countries, such as Albania, Brazil, Colombia, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, South Korea, Thailand, and Turkey, had one intervention each.

Table 5 shows the characteristics of all treatment interventions found through the literature and social media searches.

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Table 5: Identified treatment interventions

Study ID	Country of study/Coun try of first author affiliation <sup>1</sup>	Study design <sup>2</sup>	Interventi on Name <sup>3</sup>	Intervent ion type⁴	Author- described stage of developm ent <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interve ntion⁴	Intervention detail	Inten ded user⁵	Lived experie nce involve ment <sup>6</sup>	Funding 7
Literature Re	eview		÷	·	÷		·			·
Klos, 2021 (55)	Argentina	Pilot RCT	Chatbot "Tess" in Spanish Mila	Artificial intelligen ce/artifici al networks	Implemen tation study	Depres sion and anxiety	Conversations with Tess are based on cognitive behavioural model, emotion- focused therapy, solution- focused brief therapy, and motivational interviewing. Sends reminders, psychoeducati onal content, and emotional support responses based on what the users express.	Patie nt	Not stated	Not stated

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Lopes, 2021 (56)	Brazil	Descrip tive only	Deprexis	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Deprexis is an intervention based on cognitive-	Patie nt	Not stated
Lopes, 2020 (57)	Brazil	RCT		Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	behavioural therapy. The program can be adapted	Patie nt	Not stated
Lopes, 2023 (58)	Brazil	RCT		Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	for the needs of the participants whereby if a participant needs to improve their communicatio n skills, the answers provided to the system will lead to more exercises or information related to those needs. At the moment Deprexis is used in Germany and was adapted for Brazil	Patie nt	Not stated



										Janeiro (FAPERJ ), and Dom Manoel Pedro da Cunha Cintra Cultural Foundat ion (FDC)
Casella, 2022 (59)	Brazil	RCT	COMVC	Websites /web- based platforms	Implemen tation and effectiven ess	Depres sion and anxiety	Brief, manualized cognitive- behavioural therapy program for children and adolescents aided by psychoeducati onal videos.	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: The São Paulo Researc h Foundat ion (FAPESP )
Vera Cruz Dos Santos, 2021 (60)	Brazil and Peru	Other	CONEMO	Mobile or tablet apps	Economic evaluation	Depres sion	App based on behavioural activation principles, focusing on increasing participation in activities	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Academ ic funding: National Institute of Mental Health
Araya,	Brazil and	RCT		Mobile or	Implemen	Depres	that are	Patie	Not	Academ



2021 (61)	Peru/UK			tablet apps	tation and effectiven ess	sion	pleasant or meaningful for participants. Was minimally supported by	nt and clinic ian	stated	ic funding: National Institute of Mental Health
Seward, 2023 (62)	Brazil and Peru/UK	RCT		Mobile or tablet apps	Formative research	Depres sion	nurse assistants, who reviewed app use data and provided support	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Only the original CONEM O trials received funding.
Toyama, 2022 (63)	Brazil and Peru	Qualita tive intervi ew		Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	(found in both the Literature and Media Review searches).	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Academ ic funding: National Institute of Mental Health
Zuccolo, 2021 (64)	Brazil	RCT	Motherly	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Mobile app that delivers brief cognitive- behavioural therapy (CBT) and behavioural activation (BA), designed to promote life habits and	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment and Charity funding: Saving Brains progra m from Grand Challen ges



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				ce/artifici al networks		rs	y chatbot. Patients are treated in a particular consulting room and includes psychoeducati on about anxiety disorders, mindfulness therapy, cognitive reconstructio n, relaxation training, problem solving etc.	nt		funding: Shangha i Hospital Develop ment Centre.
Pan, 2023 (67)	China	Other	SCLIWC	Machine/ deep learning	Developm ent	Depres sion and suicide	Machine learning models aiding with detecting depression symptoms and subsequent suicidal ideation	Clinic ian	Not stated	Academ ic funding: The Fundam ental Researc h Funds for the Central Universi ties, Knowle dge



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Zhu, 2022 (68)	China	Longitu dinal, rando mized, single- blind	Computeri zed Cognitive Remediati on Therapy	Software	Effectiven ess study	Schizop hrenia	Software focusing tasks on cognitive flexibility, working memory and	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Natural Science

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	trial	(CCRT)		Including		ion of
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				cognitive		Beijing
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				focusing on		Science
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Liu, 2021	China	RCT	Computeri	Software	Effectiven	Depres	Self-help		Not	Govern
(70)			zed		ess study	sion	intervention	Patie	stated	ment
			Cognitive			and	for patients	nt		funding:
			Behaviour			anxiety	with COVID-			National
			Therapy				19, designed			Natural
			(cCBT)				to			Science
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							intervene in			ion of
							patients'			China,
							cognition,			the Key
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							behaviour.			h and
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Jin, 2023 (71)	China	other	VR physical and mental relaxation system and VR music comfort system.	Virtual reality	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Virtual Reality intervention using psychological medical music approaches that help people to adjust to difficult emotions such as anxiety or	Patie nt	Not stated	Not stated


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Yu, 2023	China	RCT	No name	Virtual	Effectiven	Depres	VR treatment		Not	Govern
(72)				reality	ess study	sion	consisting of	Patie	stated	ment
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Zhang,	China	RCT	VR-CALM	Virtual	Effectiven	Depres	Virtual reality		Not	Govern
2022				reality	ess and	sion	immersion in	Patie	stated	ment
(73)					feasibility	and	a serene	nt		funding:
						anxiety	environment			National
							while listening			Natural
							to ambient			Science
							sounds and			Foundat
							receiving			ion of
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							from a CALM			
							therapist.			
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							management, analysis of how illness has changed people and their relationships, exploration of meaning and purpose in life, and discussions about the future and hope.			
Li, 2022 (74)	China	RCT	Virtual reality cognition training system (VRCTS)	Virtual reality	Effectiven ess study	Schizop hrenia	Virtual reality cognition training system designed to simulate a supermarket environment and included shopping tasks with different lists.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Basic Public Welfare Researc h projects in Zhejiang Provinc e, the National Key Researc h and Develop



										ment Progra m of China, and Zhejiang Provinc e.
Shen, 2022 (75)	China	RCT	Virtual reality- based social cognition and interactio n training (VR-SCIT)	Virtual reality	Effectiven ess study	Schizop hrenia	Virtual reality- based social cognition and interaction training for to aid in emotion recognition and social functioning	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Science and Technol ogy Bureau of Hangzh ou, the Zhejiang Provinci al Natural Science Foundat ion of China, and the Project for Hangzh ou Medical



										Disciplin es of Excellen ce and Key Project for Hangzh ou Medical Disciplin es.
Lin, 2020 (76)	China	RCT	No name	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Anxiety disorde rs	Internet- based cognitive behavioural therapy, all course materials and assignments are provided on the internet, and participants complete the readings and assignments on their own.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Social Science Foundat ion of China
Wang, 2020 (77)	China	RCT	No name	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Anxiety disorde rs	Self-guided and guided cognitive behavioural therapy	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Key



							program divided into 5 parts: motivation arousing, psychoeducati on, cognitive construct, attention training, and exposure and problem solving.			R&D Progra m of China and the National Natural Science Foundat ion of China
Zhao, 2022 (78)	China	RCT	iACT	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Internet- based program based in acceptance and commitment therapy, it incorporates various media such as pictures, text, audios, videos, and animation.	Patie nt	Yes	Govern ment funding: National Natural Science Foundat ion of China and the National Social Science Foundat ion of China.
Zhao, 2022 (79)	China	RCT		Websites /web- based	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion			Not stated	Academ ic and Govern



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Rodriguez,	China	Mixed	Ве	Websites	Developm	Depres	Self-guided	Not	Not



2021 (80)		metho ds	Mindful	/web- based platforms	ent	sion	mindfulness training program. Awareness of thoughts and feelings, acknowledgin g difficult thoughts and emotions without judgment or attachment, Awareness of personal patterns, associations to changes in mind and body, and stress indicators.	Patie nt	stated	stated
Ying, 2023 (81)	China	RCT	Healthy Psychologi cal Station	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Clinician- guided internet- based cognitive- behavioural therapy tailored for the general Chinese population	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Public Welfare Technol ogy Applicat ion Researc h



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						Ningbo
						Public
						Welfare
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Ying, 2021 (82)	China	RCT	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion		Yes	Govern ment funding: Public Welfare Technol ogy Applicat ion Researc h Project Ningbo Philosop hy and Social Plannin g Project, Zhejiang Provinc e Public Welfare Technol ogy Applicat



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Duan,	China	RCT	No name	Websites	Pilot/feasi	Depres	An internet-		Yes	Govern
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				platforms			mental			academi
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Li, 2020 (84)	China	RCT	go	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Internet Based platform for pre and postnatal support including screening, emotional and information support with built in SMS and mobile reminders to engage with the content.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Natural Science Researc h Key Project of Educati on, Depart ment of Anhui
Chen, 2020 (85)	China	RCT	Moodbox	Websites /web- based	Implemen tation and effectiven	Depres sion	Internet- based psychological	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding:



				platforms	ess		intervention that combines cognitive- behavioural therapy, interpersonal therapy and mindfulness meditation.			Beijing Municip al Science and Tech Commis sion
Lv, 2021 (86)	China	Pilot study	Computeri zed cognitive behaviour al therapy (cCBT)	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	Platform based on cognitive behavioural therapy and included four training projects: getting out of depression, overcoming anxiety, staying away from insomnia, and facing obsessive- compulsive disorder. Using automatic thought restructuring, relaxation	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Natural Science Foundat ion of China and the Medical Science and Technol ogy Develop ment Major Foundat ion of Nanjing



							training,			
							exposure			
							training, and			
							positive			
							orientation.			
Wang,	China	RCT	(iACT)	Websites	Effectiven	Obsessi	Internet-		Not	Govern
2023				/web-	ess study	ve	based self-	Patie	stated	ment
(87)				based	,	compul	help	nt		funding:
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Wu, 2023 (88)	China	RCT	CBTC website	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Obsessi ve compul sive disorde r	Internet- based cognitive behavioural therapy, after each module, the platform arranged corresponding tasks.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment and academi c funding: National Natural Science Foundat ion of China, the General project of Shangha i Municip al Health Commis sion,



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							restructuring			hips for
							skills,			two
							behavioural			authors.
							skills, and			
							interpersonal			
							skills.			
Sit, 2022	China	Feasibil	Step-by-	Mobile or	Pilot/feasi	Depres	Illustrated		Not	Govern
(90)		ity	Step	tablet	bility trial	sion	narrative	Patie	Stated	ment
		study		apps			program	nt		and
							designed for			academi
							depression,			с
							which			funding:
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							psychoeducati			Macao
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(91)		tive		tablet	adaptatio	sion	strengths,	Patie		ic
		qualita		apps	n		positive self-	nt		funding:
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		study					enhancing			Macau
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							relapse			Universi
							prevention,			ty of
							with			Macau,
							behavioural			and the
							activation as			Johns



							the core therapeutic component.			Hopkins Universi ty Centre for Global Health.
Sun, 2021 (92)	China	RCT	Spirits Healing	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Mindfulness training program, included guided practice, videos, and mindful stretching. Participants could navigate contents, make notes, and received reminders to utilise the program.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Chinese National Funding of Social Sciences
Liu, 2022 (93)	China	Experi mental study	We'll	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Mindfulness and perceived social support interventions during childbirth with four components:	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Taiwan Ministry of Science and



							mindfulness, perceived social support, maternal self- efficacy, depression detection tools, and preventive health education.			Technol ogy, Fujian Social Science Foundat ion, and Quanzh ou Social Science Foundat ion
Garcia- Batista, 2022 (94)	Dominican Republic	Experi mental study	Virtual reality exposure therapy (VRET)	Virtual reality	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Obsessi ve compul sive disorde r	Virtual environments to elicit emotional responses in individuals with contaminatio n-related obsessions and cleaning compulsions for potential treatment. Including a clean room and a kitchen with varying levels of dirtiness.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Fund for Innovati on and Scientifi c and Technol ogical Develop ment



Caplan, 2020 (95)	Dominican Republic/U S	Mixed metho ds	El Buen Consejo Movil (the Mobile Sound Advice)	Mobile or tablet apps	Acceptabil ity	Depres sion	Self- management app for mild to moderate symptoms of depression and uses the principles of	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Sigma Theta Tau Internat ional
Caplan, 2021 (96)	Dominican Republic/U S	Other		Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	СВТ.		Not stated	Not stated
Quinonez- Freire, 2021 (97)	Ecuador/Sp ain	RCT	Smiling is fun	Websites /web- based platforms	cultural adaptatio n	Depres sion	Intervention based on cognitive behavioural therapy that generates mobile phone text messages, activity reports, and	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Excellen ce Researc h Progra m PROME TEO
Quiñonez- Freire, 2020 (97)	Ecuador	RCT		Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	automatic emails. Patients receive minimal human support through a weekly phone call by a psychologist		Not stated	Not stated



							and the program will generate alerts when a high risk of suicide is detected.			
Ellis, 2021 (98)	Egypt	Qualita tive intervi ew	PTSD Coach Online	Websites /web- based platforms	Cultural adaptatio n	PTSD	Tool using cognitive behavioural approach that	Patie nt	Not stated	No funding recieved
Miller- Graff, 2021 (99)	Egypt/US	RCT		Websites /web- based platforms	Implemen tation and effectiven ess	PTSD	includes psychoeducati onal content and exercises		Yes	Not stated
Pozuelo, 2023 (100)	Egypt	RCT	-	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	PTSD	for PTSD symptoms. Includes videos and interactive tools.		Not stated	Not stated
Newman, 2021 (101)	India/US	RCT	Guided Self-Help	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Anxiety disorde rs	Internet- based self- help intervention, each session contained multiple pages of content and included exercises such as anxiety	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Stanfor d Universi ty School of Medicin e's Behavio



							check-ins, psychoeducati on, and skill practice.			ural Medicin e Lab, Birla Institute of Technol ogy and Science, BITS Alumni Associat ion Internat ional, Vignana Jyothi Society
Kanuri, 2020 (102)	India	Mixed metho ds	Mana Maali Digital Anxiety Program.	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Anxiety disorde rs	Web-based portal designed to help students learn about anxiety, identify symptoms, monitor thoughts and feelings; and cope with their anxiety. Brief relaxation	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Yale Universi ty



							exercises, breathing exercises and mindfulness.			
Srivastava, 2020 (103)	India/US	RCT	Smartteen	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Computer- assisted cognitive behaviour therapy	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Indian Council of Medical Researc h.
Ghosh, 2023 (104)	India	RCT	TreadWill	Websites /web- based platforms	Developm ent	Depres sion and anxiety	Unguided computerized cognitive behavioural therapy- based multicompon ent intervention. Includes psychoeducati on, games and web- based peer- based support.	Patie nt and peer	Yes	Govern ment funding: Cognitiv e Science Researc h Initiativ e of the Depart ment of Science & Technol ogy
Singh, 2023 (105)	India	RCT	COGBRAIN	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Schizop hrenia	Computerized cognitive training program	Patie nt and	Not stated	Govern ment funding: Universi



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							check task			
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		study		apps			disorders. Collects a combination of active (responses to mood and symptoms surveys) and passive data (metrics related to physical activity and phone use from device sensors).			funding: Wellco me Trust
Yatirajula, 2022 (108)	India	Retros pective observ ational	ARTEMIS	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Multipl e conditi ons or sympto ms	Anti-stigma campaign co- created by adolescents, and a mobile technology- based electronic decision support system that also works in increasing awareness on mental health conditions as well as	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Medical Researc h Council



							strengthening the skills of existing primary healthcare workers and promoting task sharing.			
Gonsalves , 2021 (109)	India/UK	RCT	POD Adventure s	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	Stress-coping theory with a mechanistic focus on problem- solving. Two parts: "Adventures," which teaches problem- solving concepts and methods through contextually appropriate games, and "My POD," which scaffolds the student through the application of step-by-step problem-	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Wellco me trust



Malhotra, 2022 (110)	India	Mixed metho ds	Niramaya bhava	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	solving procedures to their own prioritized problems. An online application with pre- recorded videos of various yogic postures and progress trackers for participants. The niramaya bhava app taught the elderly to live a balanced and successful life by awakening their connection to the Divine.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment funding: The Depart ment of Science and Technol ogy
Rahmadia na, 2021 (111)	Indonesia/T he Netherland s	Mixed metho ds	l- AiMental WELLness (Saya menuju mental	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	A transdiagnosti c intervention targeting common cognitive and	Patie nt	Yes	Govern ment funding: Indonesi a Endow



			sehat)				behavioural processes of both anxiety and depression and based on CBT principles.			ment Fund for Educati on, Ministry of Finance, Republi c of Indonesi a
Van der Wal, 2020 (112)	Indonesia/T he Netherland s	RCT	Guided Act and Feel Indonesia (GAF-ID)	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Guided online behavioural activation that includes psychoeducati on, monitoring of mood and behaviour, and development of relapse prevention strategies.	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment and academi c funding: Indonesi a Endow ment Fund for Educati on, Ministry of Finance Republi c of Indonesi a, and the



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Dwidiyanti , 2021 (113)	Indonesia	Quasi- experi mental study	DAHAGA	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Spiritual training app that contains mental health service packages and a step-by-step tutorial on Islamic spiritual mindfulness: intention, self- evaluation, body scan, repentance, prayer, surrender, and relaxation.	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Faculty of Medicin e, Universi tas Diponeg oro, Semara ng, Indonesi a.
Hatami, 2021 (114)	Iran	RCT	Computeri zed cognitive remediati on therapy (CRT)	Software	Effectiven ess study	Schizop hrenia	Computerized cognitive remediation therapy that works in attention/con centration, visual memory, and	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Tehran Universi ty of Medical Sciences



							executive functions. It contains 64 tasks with three difficulty levels and it is provided by psychologists, social workers, or occupational therapists			
Javaherire nani, 2022 (115)	Iran	RCT	Virtual reality exposure and response preventio n (VRERP)	Virtual reality	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Obsessi ve compul sive disorde r	VR environment with fearful stimuli such as moderate and severe dirt were designed as an exposure therapy.	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Iran Universi ty of Medical Sciences
Jannati, 2020 (116)	Iran	RCT	Happy mom	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Cognitive behavioural therapy program designed to help mothers recognize and change unhelpful thoughts,	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Kerman Universi ty of Medical Sciences



							improve social skills, and prevent			
							relapse.			
Kheirkhah, 2023 (117)	Iran	RCT	Peaceful Mind	Websites /web- based platforms	Implemen tation and effectiven ess	Depres sion and anxiety	Program based on CBT that helps therapists to treat anxiety or depression in individuals with fertility issues. The intervention has multimedia interactions for patients	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Academ ic funding: The National Institute for Medical Researc h Develop ment (NIMAD )
Shahsavan , 2021 (118)	Iran	Other	Internet- based guided self-help cognitive- behaviour al therapy (I-GSH- CBT)	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion and anxiety	Internet- based guided self-help cognitive- behavioural therapy that uses self- monitoring, cognitive restructuring, relaxation, assertiveness, and problem- solving. With feedback	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Iran Universi ty of Medical Sciences



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							clinical			
							psychologists.			
Ghanbari,	Iran	RCT	BCSzone	Mobile or	Effectiven	Anxiety	Psychoeducati	Nurs	Not	Not
2021				tablet	ess study	disorde	onal	е	stated	stated
(119)				apps		rs	intervention			
							and nurse-			
							assisted			
							online mobile			
							support with			
							practical			
							exercises and			
							tests to be			
							used offline			
							by the users.			
Sarabi,	Iran	RCT	Bipolar	Mobile or	Effectiven	Bipolar	Psychoeducati		Yes	Academ
2021			disorder	tablet	ess study	disorde	onal	Patie		ic
(120)			and	apps		r	application	nt		funding:
			continuing				that has	and		Kerman
			life				information	clinic		Universi
							from a	ian		ty of
							psychiatric			Medical
							book entitled			Sciences
							"bipolar			
							disorder and			
							continuing			
							life" and the			
							information			
							was			
							translated			
							and adapted			
							for the Iranian			
							public.			


Doukani,	Kenya/UK	Pilot	Inuka	Mobile or	Pilot/feasi	Depres	The		Yes	Govern
2021		prospe		tablet	bility trial	sion	intervention	Patie		ment
(121)		ctive		apps		and	was a	nt		funding:
		cohort				anxiety	problem-	and		Grand
		study					solving	volu		Challen
							therapy (PST)	nteer		ges
							delivered by	S		Canada
							community			(GCC)
							health			
							volunteers			
							(CHVs)			
							through a			
							mobile			
							application			
							called 'Inuka			
							Coaching.			
							With four key			
							features:			
							matching the			
							client with the			
							coach,			
							screening and			
							support,			
							decision			
							support for			
							CHVs, and			
							promotion of			
							psychological			
							self-care.			
Cuijpers,	Lebanon/Th	RCT	Step-by	Mobile or	Effectiven	Depres	Illustrated	Patie	Not	Academ
2022	e		step	tablet	ess study	sion	narrative	nt	stated	ic
(122)	Netherland			apps			program			funding:
	S						designed for			Elrha



						depression,		and the
						which		Europea
						includes		n
						components		Union's
						of		Horizon
						psychoeducati		2020
						on, relaxation		Researc
						techniques,		h and
						identifying		Innovati
						personal		on
						strengths,		Progra
						positive self-		m
						talk,		Societal
						enhancing		Challen
						social		ges.
Cuijpers,	Lebanon/Th	RCT	Mobile or	Effectiven	Depres	support, and	Not	Academ
2022	e		tablet	ess study	sion	relapse	Stated	ic
(123)	Netherland		apps			prevention,		funding:
	S					with		Fondati
						behavioural		on
						activation as		d'Harco
						the core		urt and
						therapeutic		the
						component.		Europea
								n
								Union's
								Horizon
								2020
								Researc
								h and
								Innovati
								on
								Progra



										m Societal Challen ges.
Harper Shehadeh, 2020 (124)	Lebanon/S witzerland	RCT	SbS (Khoutwe h- Khoutweh )	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Online intervention using behavioural activation and stress management techniques designed to decrease symptoms of depression	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Fondati on d'Harco urt
Tan, 2023 (125)	Malaysia	RCT	MoodMiss ion	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	App based in coping methods, such as behavioural activation, relaxation, mindfulness, physical exercise, and cognitive reframing	Patie nt	Not stated	No funding received
Domingue z- Rodriguez, 2020 (126)	Mexico/Spa in	RCT	Mental Health COVID-19	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion and anxiety	Self- administered web-based mental health intervention	Patie nt	Not stated	No funding received



							based on positive psychology, cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), and behavioural activation therapy. Includes video and text elements, as well as synchronous writing conversation assistance.			
(De la Rosa- Gómez, 2022) (127)	Mexico	RCT	E-moción	Websites /web- based platforms	Study protocol designed to evaluate the efficacy and acceptabil ity	Multipl e conditi ons or sympto ms	Transdiagnost ic guided Internet- delivered intervention with synchronous assistance, therapeutic modules such as motivation for change, understandin g emotions, cognitive	Patie nt and clinic ian	Not stated	Govern ment funding: National Council of Science and Technol ogy (Mexico )



							coping skills, behavioural coping skills, and post- evaluation.			
Lara, 2022 (128)	Mexico	Other	Help for Depressio n (HDep)	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	An app including screening, intervention and education on depression. Participants received feedback online	Patie nt and clinic ian	Yes	Not stated
Van Heerden, 2021 (129)	Nepal	Other	StandStro ng	Mobile or tablet apps	Implemen tation study	Depres sion	Interventions grounded in the psychological principle of behavioural action prioritize behaviour modification to mitigate avoidance and inactivity, ultimately aiming to enhance thoughts and	Patie nt	Not stated	Not stated



							emotions.			
Ofoegbu, 2020 (130)	Nigeria	RCT	Guided internet- assisted interventi on (GIAI)	Websites /web- based platforms	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion	Structured and standardized guided internet- assisted intervention involving psychoeducati on, interactive peer support, cognitive disputation, behavioural homework assignments, roleplay, and depression management.	Patie nt and peer	Not stated	Not stated
Bibi, 2020 (131)	Pakistan/Ge rmany	Pilot study	CBM	Software	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Computerized cognitive training using positive mental imagery as a brief intervention for symptoms of depression. Participants were	Patie nt	Not stated	Govern ment and Academ ic funding: DAAD Higher educati on commis sion and



							encouraged to reflect on the pattern of change in vividness ratings and how they could improve for the next block.			the Ruhr- Universi tät Bochum
Latif, 2021 (132)	Pakistan	Retros pective observ ational	Khushi or Khatoon	Websites /web- based platforms	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	A self-help manual using CBT techniques that helps participants to cope with depression or anxiety symptoms. Also includes some elements of stigma reduction	Patie nt	Not stated	Academ ic funding: Pakistan Associat ion of Cognitiv e Therapis ts.
Heim, 2021 (133)	Pakistan/S witzerland	RCT	Step-by- Step	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	Guided digital mental health intervention that uses psychoeducati on and training in behavioural	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Elhra and Fondati on d'Hartc



							activation, stress management, a gratitude exercise, positive self- talk, strengthening social support, and relapse prevention.				ourt.
Rahman, 2023 (134)	Pakistan/U K	Qualita tive intervi ew	Thinking Healthy Programm e Thinking Healthy Programm e	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	A culturally adapted app with narratives aiding peers to provide support to patients. Some narratives are aimed at	Patie nt	Not state	ed	Academ ic funding: The National Institute for Health Researc h
Atif, 2022 (135)	Pakistan	Qualita tive intervi ew		Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion	psychoeducati on and destigmatisati on. A culturally adapted app with narratives aiding peers	Patient		Ye s	Academ ic funding: National Institute for Health Researc h



							to provide support to patients. Some narratives are aimed at psychoeducati on and destigmatisati on			
Gericke, 2021 (136)	South Africa	Qualita tive intervi ew	iCare	Websites /web- based platforms	Acceptabil ity	Depres sion	Internet- based cognitive behavioural therapy, includes testimonials, audio-video material, practical exercises, and homework assignments.	Patie nt	Yes	Academ ic funding: Europea n Union's Horizon 2020 researc h and innovati On progra m, South African Medical Researc h Council (SAMRC ) and Ithemba

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										Foundat ion.
Moffett, 2022 (137)	South Africa	RCT	Kumasha	Mobile or tablet apps	Implemen tation study	Depres sion	Behavioural activation principles integrated into a gamified story content format using problem- solving, effective communicatio n, getting enough sleep and disengaging from rumination.	Patie nt	Yes	Govern ment and academi c funding: South African Medical Researc h Council, the South African National Depart ment of Health and the UK Medical Researc h Council, UK Medical Researc h Council, Health and the UK



Billing, 2020 Turkey Other Virtual and Virtual reality Effectiven ess study Anxiety Virtual and Patie Not Not   (138) Augmente d Reality in Augmente d Reality in Augmente d Reality in Stated Inding funding   Psychology y (PSAG) Psychology y (PSAG) rs Psychology an exposure tool that uses Psychology an exposure tool that uses Not Not   Jallowing the individual to feel as if they are physically in the virtual environment by misleading their senses. Public Speaking and Relaxation scenarios are a part of the intervention. RCT Mindful Mobile or Effectiven Depres Mindfulness Not Academ	Dilas	Taulas		Matural	Viete d			Vertual	Detti	Net	NIHR Oxford Health Biomedi cal Researc h Centre.
Viravan,ThailandRCTMindfulMobile orEffectivenDepresMindfulnessNotAcadem	Bilge, 2020 (138)	Turkey	Other	and Augmente d Reality in Psycholog y (PSAG)	reality	ess study	Anxiety disorde rs	Virtual and Augmented Reality in Psychology (PSAG) is used an exposure tool that uses 3D computer technology, allowing the individual to feel as if they are physically in the virtual environment by misleading their senses. Public Speaking and Relaxation scenarios are a part of the intervention	nt	Not stated	NO funding received
	Viravan,	Thailand	RCT	Mindful	Mobile or	Effectiven	Depres	Mindfulness		Not	Academ



2022			Senses	tablet	ess,	sion	program,	Patie	stated	ic
(139)			(MS) LOA	apps	feasibility	and	participants	nt		funding:
					and	anxiety	are instructed			Faculty
					acceptabil		to listen to			of
					ity		mindfulness			Medicin
							audio at least			e Siriraj
							three times			Hospital
							per day and			,
							practice			Mahidol
							mindfulness			Universi
							as guided. The			ty,
							therapist send			Bangkok
							daily			,
							messages to			Thailand
							participants			
							regarding			
							essential			
							points in			
							mindfulness			
							practice.			
Sriwatana	Thailand	Descrip	BlueLine	Mobile or	Developm	Depres	Gamified	Patie	Not	No
thamma,		tive		tablet	ent and	sion	cognitive	nt	stated	funding
2023		study		apps	implemen		behavioural			received
(140)		develo			tation		therapy (CBT)			
		pment			study		and related			
		proces					therapeutic			
		S					elements,			
							such as			
							behavioural			
							activation,			
							self-			
							monitoring,			
							interpersonal			



							skills, positive psychology, relaxation, and problem- solving. Visual narrative genre.			
Imamura, 2021 (141)	Vietnam/Ja pan	RCT	No name	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectiven ess study	Depres sion and anxiety	Two stress management programs that included behavioural activation, cognitive restructuring, problem- solving, assertiveness, self- compassion, and job crafting.	Patie nt	Yes	Govern ment funding: Japan Agency for Medical Researc h and Develop ment (AMED)
Dambi, 2022 (142)	Zimbabwe	Mixed metho ds	Inuka	Mobile or tablet apps	Pilot/feasi bility trial	Depres sion and anxiety	The intervention was a problem- solving therapy (PST) delivered by community health volunteers (CHVs)	Patie nt and volu nteer s	Yes	Charity funding: Achmea Foundat ion.



							through a mobile application called 'Inuka Coaching.Wit h four key features: matching the client with the coach, screening and support, decision support for CHVs, and promotion of psychological self-care.			
N/A	w Brazil	N/A	CONEMO (36)	Smartpho ne app	ln developm	Mental health	The Psychiatry	Patie nt	No	Academ ic
					ent	disorde rs	institute at the Centre for			funding: Psychiat
							Research and Innovation in			ry institute
							Mental Health			at the
							are			Centre
							the 'Conemo'			Researc
							app to			h and
							address			Innovati
							symptoms of			on in
							mental health			Mental



							disorders in Brazilian and Peruvian populations. The app is a multi-session intervention being evaluated using multi- centre RCTs in Brazil and Peru (found in both the Literature and Media Review searches).			Health
N/A	Colombia	N/A	Pura mente (33)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Medita tion and mindfu lness for mental health	'Pura mente' is a mobile health application that shares meditation and mindfulness approaches to address mental health conditions. Based in Chile, it is available in Colombia but	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial funding: Pura Menta Meditati on Inc.



							has not been			
							evaluated for			
							effectiveness.			
N/A	India	N/A	N/A	Machine learning model	Complete	Suicide predict ion	effectiveness. Anju Bhandari Gandhi from the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology developed a machine learning model capable of predicting suicide attempts with	Clinic ian	No	Academ ic funding: Panipat Institute of Enginee ring and Technol ogy
							95% accuracy by analysing an individual's behaviour. (1)			
N/A	Kenya	N/A	Mındful Kenya (27)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Genera I mental health concer ns	Mindful Kenya is a social enterprise that includes a mobile application to address mental health concerns through	nt	NO	Comme rcial funding: Mindful Kenya Inc



							(APHRC), aims			(APHRC)
							(APHRC), aims to address			(APHRC)
							Research Centre			h Centre
							Population and Health			Health Researc
							the African			on and
			(28)			sis	between Wellcome and			African Populati
			Initiative	,		psycho	partnership			me,
			Data Prize - Africa	using AI/ML	ent	depres sion.	Prize - Atrica Initiative, a			funding: Wellco
			Health	initiative	developm	,	Health Data	nt		ic
N/A	Kenya	N/A	Mental	Research	In	Anxiety	The Mental	Patie	No	Academ
							with primary			
							integration			
							counselling			



			(MyMinda ) (9-11)	n		assess ment, self- care, and access to profess ionals	app, developed by Entomo Malaysia and the Government of Malaysia, initially managed the COVID-19 outbreak. It now supports Malaysia's broader digital health transformatio n, including mental health solutions. MyMinda, within the app, assists individuals in mental health assessment,			funding: Govern ment of Malaysi a, Entomo Malaysi a
							assessment, self-care, and access to professionals.			
N/A	Mexico	N/A	'Oye' (35)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Mindfu Iness, emotio nal suppor	'Oye' is a pan- Latin America mobile application available in	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial Funding : Oye Inc.



						t, goal- setting	Mexico, providing mindfulness and emotional support resources and personalized goal-setting to improve user well- being. Its impact has not been studied.			
N/A	Mexico	N/A	'BeMe Health' (34)	Digital health platform	Complete	Mental health interve ntions for teenag ers and adolesc ents	'BeMe Health' provides mental health interventions tailored to teenagers and adolescents, using one-to- one coaching, 24/7 support, and connections to mental health services. It draws on evidence- based	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial Funding : BeMe Health



							therapies like			
							CBT. DBT. and			
							positive			
							psychology.			
N/A	Pakistan	N/A	Humraaz	Mobile	Complete	Mental	The Humraaz	Patie	No	Govern
		,	app (13)	applicatio		well-	app launched	nt		ment
			~pp (-c)	n		heing	by the			funding
				chatbot		nrofess	Pakistani			Govern
				charbot		ional	government			ment of
						guidan	in April 2023			Pakistan
						ce and	nrovides a			T akistan
						suppor	plovides a			
						30pp01	individuals to			
						L	individuals to			
							professional			
							professional			
							guidance and			
							support for			
							mental well-			
							being. It			
							offers			
							features like			
							psychotherap			
							y, daily			
							activity			
							monitoring,			
							chatbots,			
							WhatsApp			
							support, and			
							appointment			
							booking.			
N/A	Philippines	N/A	"Lusog-	Mobile	Complete	Genera	The "Lusog-	Patie	No	Govern
			Isip" app	applicatio		1	lsip" app,	nt		ment
			(4)	n		mental	launched by			funding:



						health, with a focus on women , childre	the Philippines Department of Health, is a toolkit to improve mental			Philippi nes Depart ment of Health
						n, and young people	health, especially for women, children, and young people.			
							evidence- based screening tools and			
							to promote overall well- being and healthy coping			
N/A	South Africa	N/A	Panda app (now October Health) (18)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Mental health suppor t for youth	The Panda app (now October Health) launched 'Panda for Teens' to provide mental health	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial Funding : October Health Limited



							support to youth, addressing rising mental health issues in this demographic. The Forest sessions platform within the app offers a moderated virtual support space.			
N/A	South Africa	N/A	Ingage app (20)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Mental health awaren ess, educati on, and resourc es	The Ingage app, launched in South Africa in 2019, aims to increase awareness and education about mental health pressures, making resources more accessible. It offers online counselling,	Patie nt	No	Academ ic and Comme rcial funding: Partners hip with South African Depress ion and Anxiety Group (SADAG)



							professional materials, coping tools, mood check- ins, and training.			
N/A	South Africa	N/A	Kena Health platform (21)	Mobile applicatio n, online platform	Complete	Afforda ble mental health care	The Kena Health platform is a South African app offering affordable mental health care via a digital app and online platform. It provides virtual support and text-based counselling/th erapy for various mental health concerns.	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial Funding : Kena Health (Pty) Ltd
N/A	South Africa	N/A	U.WELL x Sensiks Express Wellness Pod (19)	Sensory reality device	Complete	Relaxat ion, anxiety reducti on, pain relief	The U.WELL x Sensiks Express Wellness Pod offers a multisensory experience	Patie nt	No	Academ ic and Comme rcial funding: Partners hip



							for relaxation, anxiety reduction, and pain relief. It uses synchronized visuals, audio, fragrances, airflow, heat, haptics, vibrations, and			betwee n U.Well (South Africa) and Sensiks (Netherl ands)
N/A	South	N/A	Wysa (25, 143, 144)	Al- powered mental health support app	Pilot stage	Mental health suppor t for studen ts and staff	sensors. Wysa combines an AI coach/chatbo t with human psychologists to help users achieve mental health goals. It has been piloted at the University of the Western Cape in partnership with SADAG.	Patie nt	No	Academ ic and Comme rcial funding: Partners hip with Universi ty of the Western Cape and SADAG
N/A	South Korea	N/A	Wellmind GPT (37)	Al chatbot	Complete	Mental health	WellmindGPT, developed by	Patie	No	Govern ment



						suppor t for soldier s	the Ministry of Science and ICT and the Ministry of Defense, is an AI chatbot that engages soldiers in conversations about their daily life and emotional states, offering consultations and assessments for various mental health	nt		funding: Ministry of Science and ICT, Ministry of Defense , Microso ft
N/A	Thailand	N/A	'School Health Hero' (12)	Mobile applicatio n	Complete	Mental health proble ms among studen ts	'School Health Hero', implemented in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Public Health Ministry, uses a mobile application to provide	Educ ator	No	Govern ment funding: Ministry of Educati on, Public Health Ministry



							teachers with online consultation and assistance to identify potential mental health problems amongst students				
N/A	Turkey	N/A	'Expathy' (14)	Online counselli ng platform	Complete	Emotio nal suppor t and counse lling for expats	'Expathy' provides emotional support and 24/7 counselling to expats based in a range of LMICs, including Turkey. It offers culturally sensitive and language- specific psychological counselling to Turkish expatriates.	Patie nt	No	Comme rcial Funding : Expathy Inc.	
<sup>1</sup> We extracted indicated follo	<sup>1</sup> We extracted information on the affiliation of the first author of each publication. Where this was different to the location of intervention development and testing, this is indicated following a "/"										



<sup>2</sup> Design of the study describing the intervention

<sup>3</sup> The name of the intervention, when provided.

<sup>4</sup> See Appendix 3.3 for information on intervention type, stage of development and intervention focus

<sup>5</sup> Whether the intervention is intended for use by the patient, clinician, peer supporters, carers, educators, or a combination of these

<sup>6</sup> Any mention of lived experience involvement (regardless of the extent of this) mentioned in the study. Please see "Lived experience participation reported in published research" section for more information

<sup>7</sup> All funding information provided by authors. Funding has been categorised as academic e.g. funded by universities/colleges or educational institutes, government e.g. projects explicitly funded by the Government including Ministries of Health, the Military or the Health Dept/NHS, charities e.g. foundations which are not funded by the government, or commercial e.g. funded by commercial start-ups, ltd/Incorporated companies.



## Diagnosis (including diagnosis combined with monitoring or treatment)

Through the literature review, we found 11 interventions designed to support diagnosis (n = 6 without China), five interventions for both diagnosis and treatment (n = 3 without China) and one intervention for both diagnosis and monitoring (n = 0 without China). Two interventions involved both patients and clinicians as the intended user, while clinicians only were the intended user for 11 and patients were the only intended user for five diagnosis interventions. Their indication focus was on anxiety disorders (n = 3/n = 1without China), depressive disorders (n = 7/n = 4 without China), depression and anxiety (n = 4/n = 2without China), depression and suicide (n = 1/n = 0 without China), trauma (n = 1), and multiple conditions or symptoms (n = 1). Most of the studies describing these interventions were in the development and feasibility (n = 7/n = 3 without China) stage of development. Machine/Deep learning was most frequently described (n = 8/n = 5 without China) although apps (n = 2), web-based platforms (n = 4/n = 2 without China) and software (n = 1) were also developed for diagnoses or diagnoses and monitoring. The media review identified three interventions designed to support diagnosis, monitoring, or a combination of both. These interventions focused on mental health disorders, suicide prediction, and mental health self-diagnosis. Two interventions utilised machine learning models, while one used a smartphone app. The interventions were developed in Brazil and India, with Brazil's "Conemo" app targeting both Brazilian and Peruvian populations. India had two interventions: a machine learning model for suicide prediction and the MySejahtera app (MyMinda) for mental health self-diagnosis.

Table 6 shows the characteristics of all diagnosis interventions found through the literature and social media searches.

## Table 6: Identified diagnosis interventions



Stu dy ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design 2	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Interve ntion type⁴	Author- describe d stage of develop ment <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion⁴	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experienc e involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
Literat	ture Review									
Ah me d, 202 3 (14 5)	Banglades h	Cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Pilot/fe asibility trial	Depressi on	Identify depression in real time using smartphone app usage data and responses in PHQ-9 in the fastest possible time, developing machine learning models.	Clinicia n	Not stated	None stated
Sira ji, 202 3 (14 6)	Banglades h	Cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Develop ment and implem entation study	Depressi on	Machine learning algorithms to detect students' early signs of depression. Assessed through an online survey employing different models with multiple feature engineering methods to extract the best-automated depression detection pipeline	Clinicia n	Not stated	Academic funding: Islamic University of Technolog Y
Sou za, 202 1 (14 7)	Brazil	RCT	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Implem entation study	Depressi on	Machine Learning (ML) algorithms for detecting depressive patients from clinical, laboratory, and sociodemographic data.	Clinicia n	Not stated	Governme nt funding: Carlos Chagas Filho Foundatio



Stu dy ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design 2	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Interve ntion type <sup>4</sup>	Author- describe d stage of develop ment <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion <sup>4</sup>	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experienc e involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
										n for Research Support in the State of Rio de Janeiro (FAPERJ)a nd Coordinati on for the Improvem ent of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES)
Zha o, 202 1 (14 8)	China	Cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Formati ve researc h	Depressi on	Artificial Neural network (ANN) identified risks factors of depression and was trained to correctly identify students who are depressed and not depressed in a dataset. The specificity was 91.7% in training set and 88.4% in testing set.	Clinicia n	Not stated	Governme nt funding: Ministry of Education of China
Sak	China	Cross-	Chi	iviachin	Develop	Depressi	wachine learning screening tool	Cimicia	NOT	Academic



Stu dy ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design 2	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Interve ntion type <sup>4</sup>	Author- describe d stage of develop ment <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion⁴	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experienc e involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
al, 202 2 (14 9)		sectio nal study	nes e Ger iatr ic De pre ssio n Ris k cal cul ato r (CG D- Ris k)	e/deep learning	ment and implem entation study	on	trained to identify elderly Chinese people with depressive symptoms for referral to mental health services.	n	stated	funding: City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China internal research
Zho u, 202 3(1 50)	China/Au stralia	A cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Develop ment and implem entation study	Depressi on and anxiety	Machine learning model to detect and distinguish depression, anxiety, and apathy in older adults with mild cognitive impairment based on speech and facial expressions	Clinicia n	Not stated	Academic funding: Peking Union Medical College



Stu dy ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design 2	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Interve ntion type <sup>4</sup>	Author- describe d stage of develop ment <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion <sup>4</sup>	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experienc e involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
										Research Fund, and the Graduate Student Innovation Fund of Peking Union Medical College
Hu ang , 202 2 (15 1)	China	Cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Develop ment and implem entation study	Depressi on and suicide	Three machine learning models to classify adolescents from a general public-school population into two categories according to suicidal ideation and three different degrees of depression. Allowing schools, parents, and healthcare professionals to detect suicidal ideation and depressive states in adolescents for timely intervention.	Clinicia n	Not stated	Governme nt funding: National Natural Science Foundatio n of China
Hu, 202	China	Cross- sectio	Co mp	Softwar e	Develop ment	Anxiety disorder	Computerized adaptive test that uses basic demographic	Clinicia n	Not stated	Governme nt funding:



Stu dy ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design 2	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Interve ntion type <sup>4</sup>	Author- describe d stage of develop ment <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion <sup>4</sup>	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experienc e involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
0 (15 2)		nal study	ute rise d ada ptiv e tes t (CA T)		and implem entation study	S	questions, separation anxiety measurement items, and exclusion criteria. Additionally, lie-detection items were embedded in the survey to screen out individuals who randomly responded.			National Natural Science Foundatio n of China
Mo ha d, 202 3 (15 3)	India	Cross- sectio nal study	No na me	Machin e/deep learning	Develop ment and implem entation study	Anxiety disorder s	Risk prediction model based on a multistage classification strategy to identify and predict pre-clinical anxiety stages in conflict settings.	Clinicia n	Not stated	Not stated
Nur bae ti, 202 1 (15 4)	Indonesia	Cross sectio nal study.	Tes dep resi ma ter nal	Mobile or tablet apps	Implem entation study	Depressi on	Collects information about the mother and child, including sociodemographic characteristics, current obstetric condition, and the baby's characteristics for early detection of postpartum	Clinicia n	Not stated	Academic funding: Universita s Islam Negeri Syarif Hidayatull



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							depression.			ah Jakarta
Soli s- Gal van , 202 2 (15 5)	Mexico	Mixed metho ds	Me nta li	Mobile or tablet apps	Develop ment and implem entation study	Depressi on and anxiety	App used to identify students who may require mental health care for anxiety and depression using questionnaires and a report of their mood throughout the day.	Patient and clinicia n	Not stated	Academic funding: Autonomo us University of Zacatecas.
Ma rtin ez- Fier ro, 202 2 (15 6)	Mexico	Mixed metho ds		Mobile or tablet apps	Accepta bility	Depressi on and anxiety		Patient and clinicia n	Not stated	No funding received
Diagno	osis and Treatmo	ent								
Jav akh ish	Belarus/T he Netherlan	Other	Sa mo po	Website s/web- based	Implem entation study	Trauma	A website with various content and resources on self-help, counselling and	Patient	Yes	Governme nt funding: The Dutch
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202 3 (15 7)			ch	ms						in Warsaw, Poland, and the Norwegian Human Rights House Foundatio n
Dal ey, 202 0 (15 8)	Brazil	Other	VIT ALK	Chatbot or plugins	Effectiv eness study	Depressi on and anxiety	Vitalk is a chat-bot that delivers mental health information in a conversational way based on CBT and positive psychology. Although hosted through a messaging app, VItalk is an innovative intervention with conversations aiming to help the participants to reflect on their experiences and learn techniques for managing stress, mood and anxiety	Patient	Not stated	Commerci al funding: TNH Health
He,	China	RCT	Xia	Artificial	Effectiv	Depressi	XiaoE is an Al-driven chatbot	Patient	Not	Academic



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202 2 (15 9)			OE	intellige nce/arti ficial networ ks	eness study	on	designed for addressing depression using CBT techniques. It offers support for screening, prevention, and self- help regarding depressive symptoms, engaging users through intelligent interactions encompassing text, image, and voice inputs.		stated	and governme nt funding: Artificial Intelligenc e for Sustainabl e Developm ent Goals Research Program and the National Social Science Foundatio n of China.
Ye, 202 1 (16 0)	China	Other		Artificial intellige nce/arti ficial networ ks	Pilot/fe asibility trial	Depressi on			Not stated	Governme nt funding: Shandong Provincial Natural Science


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										Foundatio n, China, the National Natural Science Foundatio n of China, The Key Research and Developm ent Program of Shandong Province
Kan g, 202 1 (16 1)	China	Other	BW BE D- SS + HS E	Website s/web- based platfor ms	Effectiv eness study	Depressi on and anxiety	A brief web-based emotional- disorder self-screening and a health self-education program. The program consisted of the Huaxi Emotional-distress Index (HEI) questionnaire and online graphics-based materials for mental health literacy.	Patient	Not stated	Governme nt funding: National Natural Science Foundatio n of China and the



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										Science and Technolog y Benefit the People Project of the Chengdu municipal governme nt
Ne ws on, 202 2 (16 2)	India, South Africa, Nigeria and High income countries /USA	Cross- sectio nal study	Me nta l He alt h Qu oti ent (M HQ )	Website s/web- based platfor ms	Validati on	Multiple conditio ns or sympto ms	Web-based platform that monitors the status of population mental health across the globe and currently spans 30 countries and 4 languages. It is a comprehensive review of symptoms by coding questions across 126 commonly used psychiatric assessment tools.	Clinicia n	Not stated	Charity funding: Sapien Labs
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Kov ess Ma sfet y, 202 3 (16 3)	China	Cross- sectio nal study	Do mi Int era ctiv e (DI)	Website s/web- based platfor ms	Validati on	Anxiety disorder s	Self-report video game that assesses children's mental health symptoms by eliciting their responses to depictions of cartoon-like situations.	Patient	Yes	Governme nt funding: Tianjin Key Medical Discipline (Specialty) Constructi on Project and Tianjin Science and Technolog y Program.
Media N/ A	India	N/A	My Sej aht era app (M yMi nda ) (10 ,	Mobile applicat ion	Complet e	Mental health self- diagnosi s	The MySejahtera app includes mental health services as part of the Indian government's National Strategic Plan for Mental Health. The app offers features like mental health self- diagnosis.	Patient	No	Governme nt funding: Governme nt of Malaysia, Entomo Malaysia



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N/ A	India	N/A	N/ A	Machin e learning model	Complet e	Suicide predictio n	Anju Bhandari Gandhi from the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology developed a machine learning model capable of predicting suicide attempts with 95% accuracy by analysing an individual's behaviour. (1)	Patient	No	Academic funding: Panipat Institute of Engineerin g and Technolog V

<sup>1</sup> We extracted information on the affiliation of the first author of each publication. Where this was different to the location of intervention development and testing, this is indicated following a "/"

<sup>2</sup> Design of the study describing the intervention

<sup>3</sup> The name of the intervention, when provided.

<sup>4</sup> See Appendix 3.3 for information on intervention type, stage of development and intervention focus

<sup>5</sup> Whether the intervention is intended for use by the patient, clinician, peer supporters, carers, or a combination of these

<sup>6</sup> Any mention of lived experience involvement (regardless of the extent of this) mentioned in the study. Please see "Lived experience participation reported in published research" section for more information

<sup>7</sup> All funding information provided by authors. Funding has been categorised as academic e.g. funded by universities/colleges or educational institutes, government e.g. projects explicitly funded by the Government including Ministries of Health, the Military or the Health Dept/NHS, charities e.g. foundations which are not funded by the government, or commercial e.g. funded by commercial start-ups, ltd/Incorporated companies



### Monitoring

Through the literature review, we found ten interventions (n = 6 without China) designed to monitor symptoms. The majority of these were intended for use by both patient and clinician, although one each of those found were intended for use by solely the patient or the clinician. Their indication focus was on bipolar disorders (n = 2), depressive disorders (n = 3/n = 1 without China), depression and anxiety (n = 1), psychosis (n = 1) and schizophrenia (n = 3/n = 1 without China). In this section the same intervention of Dialog+ was used in two studies for psychosis monitoring, and another study used it to monitor depression and anxiety. Almost half of these studies described the pilot/feasibility trial (n = 5/n = 2 without China) testing. Apps was most frequently described (n = 7/n = 5 without China) although VR (n = 1/n = 0 without China), web-based platforms (n = 1) and machine/deep learning (n = 1/n = 0 without China) were also developed for monitoring.

In the media review, three interventions were identified for monitoring symptoms. These interventions focused on monitoring mental health disorders, daily activity monitoring, and tracking users' mental wellbeing. All three interventions were smartphone apps, developed in Brazil, Mexico, and Pakistan. The "Conemo" app in Brazil aimed to monitor mental health disorders in Brazilian and Peruvian populations, while the "BeMe Health" platform in Mexico provided daily activity monitoring for teenagers and adolescents. The Humraaz app in Pakistan, launched by the government, offered daily activity monitoring as part of its features to track users' mental well-being.

Table 7 shows the characteristics of all monitoring interventions found through the literature and social media searches.



## Table 7: Identified monitoring interventions

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							for readmission			and Technology of
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							wristband to			Funding Support. and
							collect sleep.			Beijing Hospitals
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							consists of 2 parts self- evaluation of mood condition and data collection.			
Zha ng, 202 4 (169 )	Chin a/U K	Mixe d met hods	YouXin	Mobil e or tablet apps	Pilot/f easibili ty trial	Psyc hosis	Self-monitoring tool designed for people with psychosis. Active monitoring of current symptoms in real-time and passive monitoring of behavioural activity (i.e., global positioning system (GPS) and step	Clinicia n and patient	Yes	No funding received
Rodr igue z- Villa , 202 1 (170 )	Indi a (and US)	Mixe d met hods	SHARP (Smartph one Health Assessme nt for Relapse Preventio n)	Mobil e or tablet apps	Pilot/f easibili ty trial	Schiz ophr enia	An app collecting active and passive data from patients to monitor their baseline symptoms and physiology.	Clinicia n and patient	Yes	Academic funding: Wellcome Trust UK



							Additionally, the app offers psychoeducatio n, activities, and can provide or offer support and educate patients when alarming behaviour or symptom reporting is detected			
Akb arza deh, 202 2 (171 )	Iran	Cros s- secti onal stud y	Bipolar Tracking Assistant (BTA)	Mobil e or tablet apps	effecti veness study	Bipol ar disor der	Web-based educational- interactive software that provides a researcher- made questionnaire and uses artificial intelligence algorithms to predict the occurrence of future bipolar episodes for each patient. The software also shares predefined	Clinicia n and patient	Not stated	Academic funding: Mashhad University of Medical Sciences Research committee.



							information with the physician and records patient responses.			
Al Dam eery , 202 3 (172 )	Om an	Othe r	MyThera ру	Mobil e or tablet apps	Imple menta tion study	Schiz ophr enia	MyTherapy pill and medication reminder is free and open access. This app is developed by "smart patient" and is available in Arabic and English languages. The app reminds the patients of the time their medication should be taken. Patients can also report when they forget their medication and gives a reminder to them that not taking medication on time can be harmful to their	Patient	Not stated	Academic funding: Sultan Qaboos University



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	ot		such as daily	
			activity	
			monitoring to	
			help track	
			users' mental	
			well-being.	

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<sup>2</sup> Design of the study describing the intervention

<sup>3</sup> The name of the intervention, when provided.

<sup>4</sup> See Appendix 3.3 for information on intervention type, stage of development and intervention focus

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## Prediction

There were 12 interventions (five without China) designed to support prediction of symptoms identified in the literature review. These were intended for use by clinicians or researchers. Their indication focus was on depressive disorders (n = 6/n = 2 without China), anxiety disorders (n = 1) depression and anxiety (n = 2/n = 1 without China), bipolar disorder (n = 1), PTSD (n = 1/n = 0 without China) and psychosis (n = 1/n = 0 without China). Five of all these studies (four without China) described the development and implementation processes. Most interventions used machine/deep learning (n = 11/n = 5 without China) for prediction with only one app described for the purposes of symptoms or diagnosis prediction.

The media review identified two interventions designed to support the prediction of symptoms or conditions. These interventions focused on suicide prediction and the assessment of mental health indicators such as depression, anxiety, insomnia, stress, and recovery resilience. One intervention utilised a machine learning model, while the other used an AI chatbot. The machine learning model was developed in India by Anju Bhandari Gandhi from the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology, aiming to predict suicide attempts with 95% accuracy by analysing individual behaviour. The AI chatbot, WellmindGPT, was developed in South Korea by the Ministry of Science and ICT and the Ministry of Defense, with support from Microsoft. It analyses users' conversations about their daily military life and emotional states to assess various mental health indicators, suggesting some level of predictive capability.

Table 8 shows the characteristics of all prediction interventions found through the literature and social media searches.



## Table 8: Identified prediction interventions

Stu dy ID	Cou ntry of stud y/Co untr y of first auth or affili atio n <sup>1</sup>	St u y d es ig n <sup>2</sup>	Int erv ent ion Na me 3	Inter venti on type⁴	Author-described stage of development <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interv ention 4	Intervention detail	Intend ed user⁵	Lived experi ence involv ement 6	Funding <sup>7</sup>
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Su, 202 1 (17 8)	Chin a	O th er	No na me	Mach ine/d eep learni ng	Development	Depre ssion	Machine learning models were used to predict different depression risk factors and the depression risks in the elderly population in the future	Clinicia n or researc her	Not stated	Government and academic funding: Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research, National Natural Science Foundation of China
Hon g, 202 3 (17 9)	Chin a	Si n gl e ar m tri al	No na me	Mach ine/d eep learni ng	Validation	Depre ssion	machine learning– based maternal depression symptoms prediction model integrating more observable and objective factors to early detect and monitor maternal depression risk	Clinicia n or researc her	Not stated	Government funding: Zhejiang Provincial Science and Technology Innovation Program.
Wei , 202 3 (18 0)	Chin a	O th er	No na me	Mach ine/d eep learni ng	Development	Depre ssion and anxiet y	A data-driven screening method employing machine learning algorithms to analyse epilepsy-related and psychosocial factors	Clinicia n or researc her	Not stated	Government funding: National Key R&D Program of China



							could alleviate the strain on healthcare providers in detecting anxiety and depression among individuals with epilepsy.			
Zha ng, 202 1 (18 1)	Chin a	C o h or t st u d y	SH AR P- RC	Mobil e or tablet apps	Implementation study	Psycho sis	Mobile app-based risk calculator to calculate individual risk components and provide personalized risk estimates for imminent psychotic disorder.	Clinicia n or researc her	Not stated	Government and academic funding: Ministry of Science and Technology of China, National Key R&D Program of China, National Natural Science Foundation of China, Shanghai Jiaotong University Foundation, Shanghai Key Laboratory of Psychotic Disorders, Science and Technology Commission of Shanghai Municipality, The Clinical Research Center at Shanghai Mental Health Center, and Shanghai Mental Health Center Foundation.



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### Prevention

We found three interventions (two without China) designed to support prevention of symptoms or conditions through the literature review. These were intended for use by the patient only in two instances and the patient and clinician in one. Their indication focus was on depressive disorders (n = 2, n = 1 without China), depression and anxiety (n = 1). Four studies representing the three interventions described the following stages of intervention development: effectiveness study (n = 1, n = 0 without China), implementation study (n = 1) and development process (n = 2). All interventions used mobile or tablet apps for prevention purposes.

In the media review, two interventions were identified for the prevention of symptoms or conditions. These interventions focused on suicide prevention and the assessment of mental health indicators, utilising machine learning algorithms and AI chatbots. One intervention, developed by Anju Bhandari Gandhi from the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology in India, is a machine learning model capable of predicting suicide attempts with 95% accuracy by analysing individual behaviour. This intervention specifically targets the early detection and prevention of suicide attempts.

Table 9 shows the characteristics of all prevention interventions found through the literature and social media searches.



## Table 9: Identified prevention interventions

Study ID	Country of study/Co untry of first author affiliation	Study design <sup>2</sup>	Interven tion Name <sup>3</sup>	Interven tion type <sup>4</sup>	Author- described stage of developm ent <sup>4</sup>	Focus of interven tion <sup>4</sup>	Intervention detail	Inten ded user⁵	Lived experien ce involvem ent <sup>6</sup>	Funding <sup>7</sup>
Literatu	re Review									
Tan, 2022 (186)	China	RCT	CBT for postpart um depressi on	Mobile or tablet apps	Effectivene ss study	Depressi on	Screening and intervention app for mothers with lessons and assignments. Reminders to take part in interventions were sent if participants did not engage with lessons.	Patie nt and clinici an	Not stated	Governm ent funding: National Natural Science Foundati on of China and Hunan Provincial Natural Science Foundati on
Martí nez, 2021 (187)	Colombia & Chile	Mixed method s	Cuida tu Ánimo (Take Care of Your	Mobile or tablet apps	First prototype	Depressi on	Early intervention for anxiety and depression	Patie nt	Yes	Governm ent funding: the Chilean



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						behavioural		Colombia
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2021		controll		apps		anxiety	application			Necmetti
(188)		ed study					that provides			n
							information			Erbakan



Media R	eview						on maternal care, baby care, and breastfeedin g. It also included a consultancy service for mothers to request support, ask questions, and receive online support.			Universit y
Bhand ari Gand hi et al., 2023 (1)	India	Machin e learning algorith ms	Machine learning model	Machine learning algorith m	Explorator y study	Suicide	Anju Bhandari Gandhi from the Panipat Institute of Engineering and Technology in India developed a machine learning model capable of predicting suicide	Patie nt	None	Academic funding: Panipat Institute of Engineeri ng and Technolo gy



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	accuracy by
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## Target population by diagnoses

The following presents an overview of target populations by condition and country.

## Literature Review

The literature review reveals that depression and symptoms of depression were the most commonly targeted conditions, followed by anxiety disorders. Interventions for these conditions were primarily delivered through mobile or tablet apps and were most often developed and/or tested in Asian countries. Other mental health conditions targeted include OCD, PTSD, trauma, bipolar disorder, psychosis, and schizophrenia. The review also identified interventions targeting multiple symptoms, such as depressive, anxiety, stress, and emotional complaints.

- Depressive conditions: Depression and symptoms of depression were the most commonly targeted condition (n = 49/n = 29 without China). Interventions for depression were most often mobile or tablet app-based (n = 19/n = 15 without China), and developed and/or tested in Asian countries (n = 34/n = 14 without China).
- Anxiety disorder: Anxiety conditions were targeted in 11 interventions (n = 5 without China). The majority (n = 7/n = 3 without China) of these were for treatment. The main type of digitalisation for this indication was websites/web-based platforms (n = 3/n = 2 without China), and they were commonly developed and/or tested in Asian countries (n = 8/n = 3 without China).
- **Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD):** Obsessive Compulsive Disorder were targeted in four interventions (n=2 without China). All of these interventions targeting OCD were treatments. Half of the interventions used VR in their treatment (Iran and Dominican Republic). Half of the interventions were designed and/or tested in China.
- **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD):** PTSD was targeted in two interventions (n = 0 when China is excluded), with one intervention using machine learning for prediction purposes, and another intervention using web-based platforms for treatment.
- **Trauma:** The only intervention directed at Trauma specifically was tested in Belarus and used a webbased platform to deliver treatment.
- **Depression and anxiety:** Depression and anxiety were targeted in 25 (n = 18 without China) interventions. The majority of interventions (n = 17/n = 13 without China) were for treatment purposes. The main type of intervention for this indication was mobile or tablet apps (n = 10/n = 9 without China), and commonly developed in Asian countries (n = 6/n = 5 without China).
- **Depression and suicide**: Depression and suicide was targeted in two interventions (n = 0 without China). These were for treatment (n = 1) and diagnosis (n = 1) purposes. These utilised machine learning techniques.
- **Bipolar:** Four interventions targeted bipolar disorder and three of them were developed and/or tested in Iran. Half of interventions were designed for monitoring.
- Psychosis: All three interventions targeting psychosis were delivered through mobile or tablet apps (n = 1 without China). Two interventions were designed for monitoring, and they were tested in China (n = 2) and all of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia (n = 1).
- Schizophrenia: Nine interventions targeted Schizophrenia (n = 4 without China), and six of them (n = 2 without China) were for treatment purposes. Most interventions (n = 4) used mobile or tablet apps. When China is excluded, most studies were conducted in India and India/US.
- **Multiple diagnoses:** Three interventions targeted multiple symptoms including depressive, anxiety, stress, emotional complaints and others (n = 1 without China). Two interventions were delivered through web-based platforms (n = 0 without China), and two interventions were designed as treatments (n = 1 without China).



## Media Review

The media review highlights the diverse range of mental health conditions and symptoms targeted by digital interventions in LMICs. While general mental health and well-being were the most common focus, interventions also addressed specific conditions such as depression, anxiety, suicide prevention, stress, insomnia, and phobias. The review also emphasizes the importance of tailoring interventions to the needs of specific populations, ensuring that the unique challenges faced by each group are adequately addressed.

- **General mental health and well-being:** The majority of interventions identified in the media review targeted general mental health and well-being (n = 15). These interventions were primarily developed and implemented in Asian countries (n = 7), with mobile applications being the most common type of digitalisation (n = 10).
- **Depression and anxiety:** Depression and anxiety were specifically targeted by two interventions (Conemo and Wysa), both of which were mobile applications. Conemo was developed and tested in Brazil and Peru, while Wysa was utilised in South Africa.
- **Suicide prevention:** One intervention, a machine learning model for suicide prediction, was developed in India to target suicide prevention in the general population.
- **Stress and resilience:** WellmindGPT, an AI-powered chatbot developed in South Korea, aimed to support soldiers in managing stress and building resilience.
- **Anxiety and stress disorders:** Pura mente, a mobile application available in Chile and Colombia, focused on addressing anxiety and stress with meditation and mindfulness for the general population.
- **Phobias and PTSD:** TherapyMantra, an online therapy and counselling service based in Indonesia, targeted individuals suffering from phobias and PTSD.

# Barriers for digital mental health use

Barriers to use of digital interventions were reported both by people using the intervention and researchers/developers of the intervention. The most frequently reported barriers by people using the intervention were stigma (reported in n = 15 studies in the literature review and also an intervention identified in the media review) and difficulties accessing the intervention (n = 10 literature review, n = 3 media review). Meanwhile, those barriers which hindered research evidence and development (identified during the literature review) were most frequently reported as lo adherence to the intervention (n = 16, only reported by China) and low levels of engagement (n = 10, n = 8 without China) impacting quality of evidence (n = 16 and n = 10, respectively), and challenges generalizing the intervention to wider population groups (n = 16). A lack of human, infrastructure or economic resources was reported as a wider barrier to access (n = 16), as was health inequalities (n = 1). Table 10 details all reported barriers.



### Table 10: Barriers to use of and development of digital interventions reported

Barriers	N reports of each	N reports of each		
	barrier from the	barrier from the		
	literature review/ N	media review		
	without China			
Intervention user reported				
Stigma	15/ 12	1		
Difficulties with Internet access	10/ 10	3		
Non or not enough cultural adaptation/ Cultural	7/5	4		
relevance				
Technical issues	6/0	0		
Security and privacy concerns	5/5	2		
Problems with electricity supply	4/0	0		
Preference for face to face	4/3	0		
Not enough trust in digital interventions	4/4	0		
Comprehensibility	3/2	0		
Lack of human support or human element	3/1	0		
Intervention generates discomfort	3/0	0		
Lack of interactive content	2/2	0		
Availability or accessibility of intervention	2/0	0		
High battery consumption	2/1	0		
Researcher/developer reported				
Challenges generalizing intervention	16/8	0		
Adherence	16/0	0		
Low engagement with intervention	10/8	0		
Challenges with older population	4/2	0		
Low mental health literacy of target population	4/0	0		
Poor availability or collection of data	3/2	0		
Low rates of help-seeking behaviour	3/1	0		
Wider determinants of mental health access				
Lack of resources (human, infrastructure,	16/7	0		
economic)				
Health Inequalities	1/1	0		
Shortage of mental health professionals	0	1		
Poor integration of interventions into health services	0	2		

Further details and named examples of interventions identified through the media review and barriers mentioned in posts pertaining to these interventions are provided below:

Access to Technology and Internet Connectivity:

• **Pakistan:** Digital mental health interventions, such as the Humraaz app were considered as a means to address the shortage of mental health services, particularly in rural areas. Nevertheless, the analysis showed that the lack of access to technology and digital literacy hinders the broader population from benefiting from these services, perpetuating the inequality in access to mental health care.



 Mexico: The analysis found that digital mental health interventions, like the BeMe Health and Cuéntame platforms were discussed as potential solutions to bridge the gap in mental health service provision. However, barriers such as affordability, user-friendliness, and accessibility for individuals with limited digital literacy or access to technology may prevent these interventions from reaching and benefiting the intended population, particularly those from low-income or rural backgrounds.

Shortage of Mental Health Professionals:

• **Uganda:** Digital mental health interventions, like the KeepChatty app and Free Mind Hive, were considered as a means to bridge the gap in mental health service provision. Nevertheless, the analysis found that the lack of trained mental health professionals and community health workers hinders the implementation and scale-up of these interventions, limiting their potential impact on the population.

Culturally and Linguistically Adapted Services:

- Malaysia: The analysis indicated that digital mental health interventions, such as the MyMinda
  feature in the MySejahtera app and the AloeMind platform, were discussed in the context of
  addressing the diverse mental health needs of the population. However, the lack of culturally and
  linguistically tailored content may lead to interventions being perceived as irrelevant or
  inappropriate, resulting in low uptake and limited impact.
- **Kenya:** Digital mental health interventions, like the Mindful Kenya app and the Panda for Teens (now October Health) app, were considered as a means to improve access to mental health services. Nevertheless, the analysis revealed that the lack of culturally appropriate and accessible content may result in low engagement, limited effectiveness, and potential rejection by the intended users.

Other Barriers:

- **South Africa:** Digital mental health interventions, like the Ingage Support app and the Kena Health platform, were considered as a means to improve access to mental health services. Nevertheless, the analysis showed that the lack of data protection measures may deter individuals from using these services due to fears of data breaches, stigma, or discrimination.
- **Mexico:** The analysis revealed that digital mental health interventions, such as the BeMe Health platform and Cuéntame, were discussed as potential solutions to bridge the gap in mental health service provision. However, the lack of integration with existing healthcare systems, community-based programs, and traditional healing practices may lead to fragmented care delivery and limited impact on overall mental health outcomes.



## Lived experience participation reported in published research

Upon further analysis, overall 29 papers reported some kind of lived experience or stakeholder involvement in the study process. When excluding China, this number was 23. It is important to note that from all identified papers from the literature review the reporting on lived experience involvement was inconsistent and often either unclear, poorly reported or not reported at all.

It was not always possible to clearly know if the groups consulted during research included people with lived experience due to sometimes generalised, vague or unclear description of who was a part of the group they collaborated or consulted with. To describe involvement the following words or phrases were used: service users, stakeholders, target population, target group (within that more specific words such as children, mothers, nurses or adolescents if an intervention was targeted towards a specific group of people), "collaborated with four Indian universities", pilot users, people with schizophrenia, users, experts, patients, "participatory design workshop", potential users, experts by experience, "theatre testing", "students who actively used the program", patients having a history of depression and anxiety, women with lived experience, depressed patients, human rights activists, adults in the target demographic, "co-design of the app with patients living with schizophrenia spectrum disorders", co-designing, patients, user-testing, local community groups, steering group. Some of these wordings make the process of determining lived experience participation slightly challenging, if for instance no detail of a steering group is mentioned. In addition, a number of studies also included families, carers, mental health practitioners or other important stakeholders (such as teachers if the intervention was targeted towards students).

The most dominant region in the group of papers mentioning involvement of people with lived experience was Asia (n = 16/ n= 12 without China). Papers targeting depression involved some kind of lived experience or stakeholders most frequently (n = 13, n = 9 without China). Main groups that were involved at some point of the intervention testing included clinicians, potential users or their carers. Papers with interventions for the treatment stage were the most frequent (n = 23). Only papers examining mobile/tablet apps (n = 16/n = 14 without China ) or websites (n = 13/n = 9 without China) reported some kind of involvement of lived experience. Potential users of interventions were involved for the design of intervention, adaptation feedback, preliminary or secondary intervention version feedback, intervention development stages, or in five studies, there was explicit mention of co-production or consultation of target users throughout the project (106, 135, 169, 189, 190).

An example of some involvement of people with lived experience comes from the report of adaptation processes by Rodriguez-Villa et al (2021) in India and US. In this study, focus groups were lead at each participating site for individuals living with schizophrenia, their family members, and clinicians. The insights of the focus groups, where participants could use a prototype of the app informed later modifications to the intervention, including tailoring it to each setting. Adaptations were presented back to participants for further suggestions for changes following testing to ensure cultural relevance.

This study aimed to develop a technology assisted peer-delivered thinking health programme for perinatal depression and employed principles of Human Centred Design in their useability work. A design team was involved, which included experts such as specialist mental health practitioners, women who had suffered from perinatal depression and their husbands, technology developers and community health workers. This group collaborated to undertake a desk review and user consultation to capture profiles, capabilities, requirements and preferences of users of the technology. The design team continuously reviewed a "storyboard" based on the intervention manual to refine and develop a first user prototype of the intervention. The design team then tested the intervention and refined it further, before useability testing



with additional participants (who were not part of the design team).

# Insights from experts in consultation

We carried out the survey and select structured interviews with experts, including four experts with lived experience of mental health problems. Experts included men and women residing in Asia, Europe, Latin America, and sub-Saharan Africa. This highlighted intervention development insights and grounded our results from the reviews in real-world knowledge.

Regarding lived experience involvement in the development of interventions, survey respondents and experts mentioned not being specifically familiar with the term "lived experience", however, having practices that fell within our description. People mentioned lived experience involvement in cultural adaptation, participation in focus group discussions, testing and refinements of intervention versions and intervention use. There does not seem to be a specific way or route in which people with lived experience are involved in the development and/or testing of digital mental health interventions in LMICs at the moment. Reference to this topic seemed to fall under User Experience Research terminology and practices, or was referred to as "user involvement", which is similar to what we found in papers from the literature review. For example, Quinonez-Freire et al. (2020) described "involvement of experts and users" as one of their strengths of their cultural adaptation of the Smiling is Fun programme in Ecuador. A participant from Latin America highlighted that in LMICs the scope of who are considered important stakeholders might be broader than in HIC (e.g. including family) due to more communal ways of living. Experts highlighted the importance of also including other stakeholders such as informal carers, teachers, or coaches, depending on the intervention target group.

Currently, experts' opinions suggest that significant advancements in the field of digital mental health in LMICs primarily revolve around interventions such as virtual reality (VR) applications for depression or anxiety, and various screening technologies. However, there is recognition that the technology landscape is evolving rapidly, with E-health currently boasting the most substantial evidence base. Additionally, there is a growing emphasis on the development of Chatbot and machine learning technologies. While mobile and other applications are also proliferating, determining the effectiveness of their content, and identifying the optimal mode and timing of delivery remain ongoing challenges.

Concerns were raised regarding a heightened investment in the field, particularly with a business model that lacks systematic exploration or comprehensive cultural adaptation in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs). When apps are imported from Western countries to LMICs, it is often unclear to what extent they have been adapted to suit the cultural context of the target population. Multiple responders commented how context in every LMICs is different and unique, hence, it is crucial for teams to work closely with the community and make their digital intervention culturally relevant.

Another concern arises regarding the sustainability of programs, with interventions becoming unavailable with the conclusion of research or program funding. Participants suggested that often funding was only available to develop new interventions, but not to keep existing ones up to date. Therefore, greater consideration should be given to the longevity of digital interventions after funding has ceased. A participant suggested a way forward may be to increase LMIC-HIC partnerships and mentioned most partnerships currently were with the United States and Europe, with the UK being involved to a lesser extent.

Overall, responders mentioned the development of digital mental health initiatives in LMICs requires significant support and partnership from funders, given the scarcity of mental health professionals and the



existing treatment gap. To effectively integrate technology into routine mental healthcare practices, there is a need for extensive training among professionals. Moreover, facilitating collaboration between mental health professionals and developers is essential, necessitating training and ongoing support. Local researchers and professionals possess invaluable contextual knowledge but often lack funding and resources; thus, international networks are crucial for knowledge exchange and access to tools. Additionally, LMICs possess substantial data resources, but lack the necessary infrastructure and funding to leverage this data effectively. Support from High-Income Countries (HICs) could facilitate the development of digital mental health interventions by enabling the utilisation of existing data. Ensuring the longevity of digital interventions beyond the duration of funding is imperative, requiring assistance with dissemination strategies and sustainable app development practices.

Participants highlighted six interventions which had not been identified in the reviews. These are listed in Table 11 below.

Intervention	Location	Intervention Type	Indication
Name			of Focus
Yo puedo	Colombia	https://sites.google.com/view/yopuedosentirmebien/	Depression
sentirme	and		and anxiety
Bien (191)	Mexico		
Space from	Colombia	Web-based (https://www.c4tbh.org/program-	Depression
Depression		review/space-from-depression/)	
(192)			
MindSkillz/	Nigeria	Web-based comic and other in-person activities	Mental
Grassroot		(https://grassrootsoccer.org/wp-	Health
Soccer (193)		content/uploads/2023/06/SAMPLE-Mindskillz-	
		Magazine.pdf)	
Shamiri	Kenya	Web-based intervention	Depression,
Digital (194)		(https://www.shamiri.institute/)	anxiety,
			and well-
			being
CALMA	Argentine	Mobile App (https://www.appcalma.co.m/site/en/)	Suicidal
(195)			and non-
			suicidal
			injury
Kuamsha	South	Mobile App	Adolescent
app (100)	Africa		depression

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# **Appendices**

## Appendix 1: Example Search Strategy for Brandwatch and Pulsar.

Domain	Search terms (Boolean term AND/OR Key words)
Digital	("digital mental health interventions" OR "digital mental health intervention" OR "digital mental
	health app" OR "digital mental health apps" OR "digital mental health")
	AND (incl. LMIC countries filter)
	(digital OR "digital intervention*" OR email OR e-mail OR telephone OR phone OR web OR "web-
	based" OR internet OR "internet-based" OR online OR electronic OR "text messag*" OR "SMS" OR
	"short messag* service*" OR texting OR messaging OR "mobile phone*" OR "cell phone*" OR
	"cellphone*" OR "smart phone*" OR "smartphone*" OR "mobile health" OR "mobile technolog*"
	OR mhealth OR "e-mental health" OR "etherapy" OR "e-health" OR "electronic mail" OR
	"electronic reminder*" OR "new media" OR "social media" OR "electronic media" OR "phone*"
	OR "smartphone*" OR "cellphone*" OR "mobile*" OR "web*" OR internet OR app OR apps OR
	"application*" OR facebook OR twitter OR instagram OR "social networking" OR "social media" OR
	internet OR "website*" OR "web site*" OR "laptop*" OR "PDA*" OR "personal digital assistant*"
	OR "video game*" OR "computer*" OR "computer-based")
	AND (incl. LMIC countries filter)
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terms	
	AND (incl. LMIC countries filter)
Sub-	"Psychosocial Intervention" OR "Internet-Based Intervention"
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	LOCATION BJ OR LOCATION BO OR LOCATION BW OR LOCATION BR OR LOCATION BG OR
	LOCATION BF OR LOCATION BI OR LOCATION KH OR LOCATION CM OR LOCATION CV OR
	LOCATION CF OR LOCATION TD OR LOCATION CO OR LOCATION KM OR LOCATION CR OR
	LOCATION CU OR LOCATION CD OR LOCATION CG OR LOCATION DJ OR LOCATION DM OR
	LOCATION DO OR LOCATION EC OR LOCATION EG OR LOCATION SV OR LOCATION GQ OR
	LOCATION ER OR LOCATION SZ OR LOCATION ET OR LOCATION FJ OR LOCATION GA OR LOCATION
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	KZ OR LOCATION KE OR LOCATION RS Kosovo-Metohija OR LOCATION KG OR LOCATION LA OR
	LOCATION LB OR LOCATION LS OR LOCATION LR OR LOCATION LY OR LOCATION MG OR
	LOCATION MW OR LOCATION MY OR LOCATION MV OR LOCATION ML OR LOCATION MR OR
	LOCATION MU OR LOCATION MX OR LOCATION MD OR LOCATION MN OR LOCATION ME OR
	LOCATION MA OR LOCATION MZ OR LOCATION NA OR LOCATION NP OR LOCATION NI OR



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## Appendix 2: Literature review search strategy

MEDLINE	1419
Embase	2752
PsycINFO	699
Cochrane CENTRAL	566
Total	5436
Duplicates	1749
Total (Duplicates removed)	3507

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1 internet access/ or "internet use"/ or social networking/ or augmented reality/ or virtual reality/ or computer systems/ or computers/ or gamification/ or mobile applications/ or video games/ or cell phone/ or smartphone/ or text messaging/ or digital technology/ or artificial intelligence/ or machine learning/ or computers, handheld/ or smartphone/ 194939

2 (digital or email or e-mail or telephone or phone? or web or web-based or website or "web site?" or internet or internet-based or online or electronic or "text messag\*" or SMS or "short messag\* service\*" or texting or cellphone? or smartphone? or "electronic mail\*" or "electronic reminder\*" or "social media" or "electronic media" or mobile? or app or apps or application? or "social network\*" or PDA or "personal digital assistant?" or "video game\*" or computeri#ed or computer? or computer-based or "augmented realit\*" or "virtual realit\*" or augmented-realit\* or virtual-realit\* or gamified or gamification or "artificial intelligence?" or "machine learning" or AI or "Chat GPT").ti,kf. 864536

3 Virtual Reality Exposure Therapy/ or Therapy, computer-assisted/ or diagnosis, computer-assisted/ 31444

4 ("mobile health" or mhealth or "e-mental health" or etherapy or e-therapy or icbt or i-cbt or "online therap\*" or e-cbt or ecbt or ((electronic or digital or mobile or internet) adj3 (CBT or therap\* or support or intervention or diagnos#s))).ti,kf. 17727

5 mental disorders/ or anxiety disorders/ or obsessive-compulsive disorder/ or panic disorder/ or phobic disorders/ or mood disorders/ or bipolar disorder/ or depressive disorder/ or depression, postpartum/ or depressive disorder, major/ or depressive disorder, treatment-resistant/ or "schizophrenia spectrum and other psychotic disorders"/ or affective disorders, psychotic/ or psychotic disorders/ or schizophrenia, catatonic/ or schizophrenia, disorganized/ or schizophrenia, paranoid/ or schizophrenia, treatment-resistant/ or stress disorders, post-traumatic/ 549270

6 Mental Health/ 64716

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9 psychotherapy/ or behaviour therapy/ or cognitive therapy/ or relaxation therapy/ or Psychoanalysis/ or psychodynamic psychotherapy/ or psychosocial interventions/ or brief psychotherapy/ or diagnosis/ or relapse prevention/ 208113

10 preventative mental health services/ 0

11 ((prevent\* and (relaps\* or risk or indicated or selected or selective)) or monitor\* or intervention or diagnos\* or therapy or psychotherapy or CBT or treat or treatment or support or "peer support").ti,ab,id. 1873928

- 12 1 or 2 274926
- 13 3 or 4 8374
- 14 5 or 6 or 7 710536
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2 (digital or email or e-mail or telephone or phone? or web or web-based or website or "web site?" or internet or internet-based or online or electronic or "text messag\*" or SMS or "short messag\* service\*" or texting or cellphone? or smartphone? or "electronic mail\*" or "electronic reminder\*" or "social media" or "electronic media" or mobile? or app or apps or application? or "social network\*" or PDA or "personal digital assistant?" or "video game\*" or computeri#ed or computer? or computer-based or "augmented realit\*" or "virtual realit\*" or augmented-realit\* or virtual-realit\* or gamified or gamification or "artificial intelligence?" or "machine learning" or AI or "Chat GPT").ti,kf. 984183

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4 ("mobile health" or mhealth or "e-mental health" or etherapy or e-therapy or icbt or i-cbt or "online therap\*" or e-cbt or ecbt or ((electronic or digital or mobile or internet) adj3 (CBT or therap\* or support or intervention or diagnos#s))).ti,kf. 17249

5 Mental disease/ or anxiety disorder/ or generalized anxiety disorder/ or "mixed anxiety and depression"/ or obsessive compulsive disorder/ or panic/ or phobia/ or posttraumatic stress disorder/ or depression/ or mood disorder/ or bipolar disorder/ or depressive psychosis/ or major depression/ or perinatal depression/ or treatment resistant depression/ or mood disorder/ or schizophrenia/ or psychosis/ or schizophrenia spectrum disorder/ or catatonic schizophrenia/ or paranoid schizophrenia/ or simple schizophrenia/ or treatment-resistant schizophrenia/ or bipolar disorder/ or bipolar depression/

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6 mental health/ 216631

7 ("mental health" or (mental adj2 disorder?) or "mental illness\*" or "mental ill-health" or anxiety or

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9 psychotherapy/ or behaviour therapy/ or cognitive therapy/ or psychodynamic psychotherapy/ or psychosocial intervention/ or rational emotive behaviour therapy/ or relaxation training/ or diagnosis/ or early diagnosis/ or relapse prevention/ 1733439

10 secondary prevention/ or tertiary prevention/ 35991

11 ((prevent\* and (relaps\* or risk or indicated or selected or selective)) or monitor\* or intervention or diagnos\* or therapy or psychotherapy or CBT or treat or treatment or support or "peer support").ti,ab,kf.

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#15 MeSH descriptor: [Diagnosis, Computer-Assisted] this term only 762

#16 MeSH descriptor: [Therapy, Computer-Assisted] this term only 1481

#17 ("mobile health" or mhealth or "e-mental health" or etherapy or e-therapy or icbt or i-cbt or (online NEXT therap\*) or e-cbt or ecbt or ((electronic or digital or mobile or internet) N3 (CBT or therap\* or support or intervention or diagnosis))):ti OR ("mobile health" or mhealth or "e-mental health" or etherapy or e-therapy or icbt or i-cbt or (online NEXT therap\*) or e-cbt or ecbt or ((electronic or digital or mobile or internet) N3 (CBT or therap\* or support or intervention or diagnosis))):tw 2087

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- #29 MeSH descriptor: [Psychotherapy] this term only 3927
- #30 MeSH descriptor: [Cognitive Behavioral Therapy] this term only 10976
- #31 MeSH descriptor: [Psychosocial Intervention] this term only 241
- #32 MeSH descriptor: [Psychotherapy, Psychodynamic] this term only 131
- #33 MeSH descriptor: [Diagnosis] this term only 5214
- #34 MeSH descriptor: [Secondary Prevention] this term only 4029
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- #36 MeSH descriptor: [Tertiary Prevention] this term only 8
- #37 ((prevent\* and (relaps\* or risk or indicated or selected or selective)) or monitor\* or intervention or diagnos\* or therapy or psychotherapy or CBT or treat or treatment or support or "peer support"):ti,kw 1076217

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- #38 #1 or #2 or #3 or #4 or #5 or #6 or #7 or #8 or #9 or #10 or #11 or #12 or #13 108482
- #39 #14 or #15 or #16 or #17 4577
- #40 #18 or #19 or #20 or #21 or #22 or #23 or #24 or #25 or #26 or #27 133860
- #41 #29 or #30 or #31 or #32 or #33 pr #34 or #35 or #36 or #37 1076542
- #42 #28 AND #38 AND #40 AND #41 1063
- #43 #28 AND #39 AND #40 104
- #44 #42 or #43 1089
- #45 #44 with Publication Year from 2020 to 2024, in Trials 566



## Appendix 3: Additional review methods

## Appendix 3.1: Inclusion and exclusion criteria

#### Participants

#### Inclusion:

People of any age receiving mental health support for, or with a diagnosis of a particular menta health condition, for instance, an anxiety disorder (generalised and specific, including PTSD), depression (including both major and minor depressive episodes and dysthymic disorder) or psychosis (including schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, schizophreniform disorder or delusional disorder).

#### Exclusion:

People with mental health disorders which are not considered to be depressive, anxiety or psychotic disorders, such as substance misuse disorders, eating disorders, personality disorders, neurodegenerative disorders or neurodevelopmental disorders (dementia, Alzheimer's, autism, ADHD). People with a comorbid diagnosis were included where one condition fitted our inclusion criteria.

#### Interventions

#### Inclusion:

- Software or artificial intelligence intended to be used for one or more: diagnosis, prognosis, targeted prevention, treatment, relapse prevention, maintenance of treatment effects, or monitoring of: depression, anxiety and psychosis; that perform these purposes without being part of a hardware medical device
- Standalone or adjunct treatments were included
- Delivered by a practitioner or self-guided

#### Exclusion:

• Apps or treatments/interventions that do not solely use already existing applications such as Zoom but rather offer their own platform or means to access their intervention.

#### Context

Interventions used in any clinical, organisational, community or other context for people seeking support for mental health problems.

#### Exclusion:

- Interventions used on already existing platforms such as zoom, skype, teams or any other communications platforms not solely developed for the purpose of digital mental health delivery, telehealth.
- Wellbeing apps used only for general mental health problem prevention

#### Types of sources

#### Inclusion:

- Studies and protocols of digital interventions that already have a minimal viable product or prototype.
- Descriptive, observational and (randomised or non-randomised) trial designs

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#### Exclusion:

Conference abstracts without additional information available, narrative reviews, systematic reviews, dissertations

## Appendix 3.2: PRISMA diagram of study inclusion



Appendix 3.3: Detail on intervention grouping

Stage of care:



We grouped each intervention according to their stage of care, these were defined as follows:

- Treatment: Interventions developed to support people who show symptoms of mental health problems through psychoeducation, therapeutic techniques or other.
- Diagnosis: Interventions developed to aid with identifying mental health problems.
- Prediction: Interventions developed to predict and calculate the risk of developing a mental health condition or to help analyse factors that could contribute to a condition.
- Diagnosis and treatment: Interventions that aimed to identify as well as treat symptoms of mental health problems.
- Monitoring: Interventions that facilitate the follow-up process of patients and follow their treatment intake.

#### Type of digital technology used:

We described each intervention as one of the following forms of digital technology.

- Artificial intelligence/artificial networks
- Machine/deep learning
- Virtual reality
- Mobile or tablet apps
- Websites/web-based platforms (either hosted their interventions on websites or referred to the interventions as "internet-based")
- Chatbot or plugins (apps with a specific innovation/add-on stated)
- Computer software (interventions which require a programme to be downloaded onto a computer to be used offline)

#### Stage of intervention development:

We extracted information on the author-described stage of development of the intervention. Where authors described multiple stages, each was noted.

#### Stages identified were:

- Cultural adaptation
- Formative research
- Validation
- Pilot/feasibility trial
- Acceptability study
- Intervention development
- Implementation study
- Economic evaluation
- Effectiveness study.



Mental health condition:

We also extracted information on the mental health condition (or associated symptoms) targeted by the intervention. Overall, interventions focused on the following conditions: (any) anxiety condition, depression, depression and anxiety, depression and suicide, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD), trauma, schizophrenia, psychosis, bipolar disorder and multiple symptoms or conditions. The multiple symptoms or conditions group also included studies that looked at wider emotional problems.



# Appendix 4: Feedback from one of the Steering Group Members on the draft interview schedule

Introduction	Hello, thank you all so much for your time to join us for this online interview today!
and warm-up	My name is (introducing all RREAL team members on the call), and I/we work with
5 minutes	colleagues at the Rapid Research Evaluation and Appraisal Lab at University College London
	on a study where we aim to map digital mental health intervention in Low to Middle-
	Income Countries, LMIC, in short.
	If I could quickly ask you to let me know where you are based, and what kind of mental
	health work you do or how you are connected to the mental health field.
	Great, thank you.
	PN feedback: Are you asking about geographic? Then best to ask directly "which country
	you are based?"
	Present brief summary of our aim and the steps followed up to now in the project. As a
	reminder, ahead of our call today you will have received:
	- a consent form which I hope you all have had a chance to complete – if not, please
	do so as soon as possible after our call now.
	- We have also shared a link with you to a survey where we are collecting some
	sociodemographic information about everyone taking part in these interventions so
	that we can describe our participants later. We'll pop the link to that survey in the
	chat here too just in case you haven't completed that yet.
	In this call today. I/we just want to get some more information from you on the DMHI you
	are working on or maybe the ones you are aware of. Mainly we are interested in identified
	the WHO? WHAT and WHERE of the DMHI in LMICS.
	So this is all in terms of background and plans. Do you have any questions before we get
	started? (wait for any questions). If anything is unclear as we go along, please of course also
	ask questions as and when anything pops into your mind.
	I'll be taking notes during the interview.
	Slide 1: Here is the table of the interventions we have already identified
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	Do you recognise any of these or maybe have been a part of the research or development
	team?
	Can you spot any DMHI that are missing from the list?
	What countries/institutions/companies would you say are very active in DGMHI scene in
	Imics?
	What type of interventions are being innovated in DMHI?
	Can you speak on the People With Lived experience involvement in the development of the
	DMHI?
PWLE	PN feedback: Might be useful to explain this. Not everyone might be aware what PWI F
involvement	outside the UK settings.
involvement	
	Probe: Did any PWL contribute to the development? The testing? Did they contribute as
	participants



	or as active members of the team? How?
Conclusions	So this takes us to the end of our discussion. Thank you very much for your inputs, it has
10 minutes	been really interesting and helpful to hear your reflections.
	(If there's time, flag up any point that prompted particular discussion or that sticks to your mind from the discussion.)
	Before we finish, are there any final points you would like to share? (wait for any inputs)
	Would there be anyone that you would recommend that we interview or share the survey with?
	In terms of what happens next with the project, we are conducting a few of these
	interviews, and the reflections we gather from these will help us move to map all the interventions and innovations in LMIC.
	You have our contact details; in case you would like to add anything after the interview.
	If there is anything you would like to check with us later on, or if any further thoughts or
	questions come to mind, please feel free to contact us. We would be happy to hear from you, whether that relates to questions of your participation, any further thoughts you
	might have about the topics we have discussed today, or anything else relating to this
	project or your involvement that you might like to talk about.
	Thank you again so much for your time today and for taking part in this study.
	(If we know that someone has not completed their consent forms, remind them again here
	to please complete and return asap. Same for the sociodemographics survey, remind all to
	complete that.)
	We will let you get on with the rest of your days, thank you so much! And if you have any
	questions please just drop us an email.
	(End call.)

#### Example Input from a Lived experience on the survey

211974 3.22 PM Quatrics Survey Software The controller for this project will be University College London (UCL). The UCL Data Protection Officer provides oversight of UCL activities involving the processing of personal data, and can be contacted at dataprotection@ucl.ac.uk

If you are concerned about how your personal data is being processed, or if you would like to contact us about your rights, please contact UCL in the first instance at data-protection@ucl.ac.uk февр. 20 •••• 🗙

I know this will be easy to understnad in the UK context around GDPR but doubt people elsewhere may know this. Is there a way to reword?

Add a reply

If you are concerned about how your personal data is being processed, or if you would like to contact us about your rights, please contact UCL in the first instance at data-protection@ucl.ac.uk

Thank you for reading this informatio

We appreciate your time.

I have read and understood the information provided and I agree to take part in this research project.

O Yes

## Sociodemographic Information

What best describes your gender?

- O Woman
- O Man
- O Non-binary
- O I identify in another way
- O Prefer not to say

#### What is your age group?

- 🔘 18 24 years
- O 25 34 years
- 🔘 35 44 years
- O 45 54 years
- O 55 64 years
- O 65 or older
- O Prefer not to say





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how about adding another category.

Add a reply

Is there lived experience involvement in the development of the interventions you have mentioned? If so, please elaborate for which intervention and at what capacity lived experience is a part of the intervention development.

When we mention "lived experience" we refer to participation and collaboration with people with lived exeprience of mental health conditions.

Please, be mindful not to enter any identifiable information into free-text answers

 $\bigcirc$ Yes O No

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Add a reply

the statement above?



# Appendix 5: Interview Schedule

Introduction	Hello, thank you all so much for your time to join us for this online interview today!
and warm-up	My name is (introducing all RREAL team members on the call), and I/we work with
	colleagues at the Rapid Research Evaluation and Appraisal Lab at UCL on a study where we
5 minutes	aim to map digital mental health intervention in LMICs.
	If I could quickly ask you to let me know where you are based geographically, and what kind
	of mental health work you do or how you are connected to the mental health field.
	Great, thank you.
	Present brief summary of our aim and the steps followed up to now in the project. As a
	reminder, ahead of our call today you will have received:
	- a consent form which I hope you all have had a chance to complete – if not, please
	do so as soon as possible after our call now.
	<ul> <li>We have also shared a link with you to a survey where we are collecting some</li> </ul>
	sociodemographic information about everyone taking part in these interventions so
	that we can describe our participants later. We'll pop the link to that survey in the
	chat here too just in case you haven't completed that yet.
	In this call today, I/we just want to get some more information from you on the DMHI you
	are working on or maybe the ones you are aware of. Mainly we are interested in identified
	the WHO? WHAT and WHERE of the DMHI in LMICS. By DMHI we mean any innovative way
	of delivering mental
	healthcare for diagnosis, treatment, monitoring, prediction and other.



	Do you have any questions before we get started? (wait for any questions) If anything is
	unclear as we go along please of course also ask questions as and when anything nons into
	vour mind
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	I li be taking notes during the interview.
WHO WHERE	Slide 1: Here is the table of the interventions we have already identified.
WHAT	
	Do you recognise any of these or maybe have been a part of the research or development team?
	Can you spot any DMHI that are missing from the list?
	What countries/institutions/companies would you say are very active in DMHI scene in Imics?
	What type of interventions are being innovated in DMHI?
PWLE	Do you know anyone else working in this area in LMICs?
involvement	When we mention "lived experience" we refer to participation and collaboration with people with lived exeprience of mental health conditions. We understand lived experience as a unique form of knowledge, insight, and expertise, that comes from having experience of mental health challenges.
	Can you speak on the PWLE involvement in the development of the DMHI? Probe: Did any PWL contribute to the development? The testing? Did they contribute as participants or as active members of the team? How?



Conclusions	So this takes us to the end of our discussion. Thank you very much for your inputs, it has
10 minutes	been really interesting and helpful to hear your reflections.
	(If there's time, flag up any point that prompted particular discussion or that sticks to your
	mind from the discussion.)
	Before we finish, are there any final points you would like to share? (wait for any inputs)
	If there were to be help to develop Digital mental health in your region, what do you think
	would be the most useful support?
	Would there be anyone that you would recommend that we interview or share the survey
	with?
	In terms of what happens next with the project, we are conducting a few of these
	interviews, and the reflections we gather from these will help us move to map all the
	interventions and innovations in LMIC.
	You have our contact details; in case you would like to add anything after the interview.
	If there is anything you would like to check with us later on, or if any further thoughts or
	questions come to mind, please feel free to contact us. We would be happy to hear from
	you, whether that relates to questions of your participation, any further thoughts you
	might have about the topics we have discussed today, or anything else relating to this
	project or your involvement that you might like to talk about.
	Thank you again so much for your time today and for taking part in this study.
	(If we know that someone has not completed their consent forms, remind them again here
	to please complete and return asap. Same for the sociodemographics survey, remind all to
	complete that.)
	We will let you get on with the rest of your days, thank you so much! And if you have any
	questions please just drop us an email.

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(End call.)





## Appendix 6: Online Survey Text

Wellcome Digital Mental Health

Start of Block: Survey Information and Greetings

Q1 Our team at the Rapid Research Evaluation and Appraisal Lab (RREAL) is conducting a study to map and explore digital mental health interventions in Low- and Middle-Income countries (LMICs).

As a part of this we are conducting online interviews and a survey to learn about existing digital mental health interventions in LMICs.

We are asking you to please complete this online survey to identify and expand on the information on digital mental health interventions.

This brief survey asks about general sociodemographic information (e.g. gender, age group, ethnicity, stakeholder affiliation, geographic area of work), and questions around mapping digital mental health interventions should take only a few minutes to complete.

This survey is anonymous, we will not ask for your name or contact information and your answers will not be linked to you personally at any point. Your participation in this survey is voluntary. You may refuse to take part in the survey or exit the survey at any time without any penalty.

If you have any questions or *you are interested in taking part in an interview*, please, contact Dr Norha Vera San Juan (<u>n.verasanjuan@ucl.ac.uk</u>) or Miss Akerke Makhmud (<u>akerke.makhmud@ucl.ac.uk</u>) from the Rapid Research, Evaluation and Appraisal Lab (RREAL) at University College London.

Many thanks for your support with our research. By starting the survey and completing the questionnaire you indicate your consent to take part in this research. Your participation is fully voluntary and anonymous.

End of Block: Survey Information and Greetings

Start of Block: Block 2

#### **Q2 Data Protection Privacy Notice**

All information that we collect about you throughout this online survey is fully anonymous, and will be kept strictly confidential.

The controller for this project will be University College London (UCL). The UCL Data Protection Officer provides oversight of UCL activities involving the processing of personal data, and can be contacted at <u>data-protection@ucl.ac.uk</u>

If you are concerned about how your personal data is being processed, or if you would like to contact us about your rights, please contact UCL in the first instance at <u>data-protection@ucl.ac.uk</u>


Thank you for reading this information and for considering taking part in this survey.

We appreciate your time.

Q4 I have read and understood the information provided and I agree to take part in this research project. o Yes (1)

End of Block: Block 2

Start of Block: Demographic questions collected to characterise participants

Q22 Sociodemographic Information

Q1 What best describes your gender?

- o Woman (1)
- o Man (2)
- o l identify in another way (4)
- o Prefer not to say (5)

Q2 What is your age group?

- o 18 24 years (1)
- o 25 34 years (2)
- o 35 44 years (3)
- o 45 54 years (4)
- o 55 64 years (5)
- o 65 or older (6)
- o Prefer not to say (7)

Q23 What is your ethnic origin?

Select all areas that apply to you.

- □ Western Europe (e.g., Greece, Sweden, United Kingdom) (1)
- □ Eastern Europe (e.g., Hungary, Poland, Russia) (2)
- □ North Africa (e.g., Egypt, Morocco, Sudan) (3)
- □ Sub-Saharan Africa (e.g., Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa) (4)
- □ West Asia / Middle East (e.g., Iran, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia) (5)
- □ South and Southeast Asia (e.g., India, Indonesia, Singapore) (6)
- □ East and Central Asia (e.g., China, Japan, Uzbekistan) (7)
- D Pacific / Oceania (e.g., Australia, Fiji, Papua New Guinea) (8)
- □ North America (Canada, United States) (9)
- Central America and Caribbean (e.g., Jamaica, Mexico, Panama) (10)

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- □ South America (e.g., Brazil, Chile, Colombia) (11)
- □ Other ethnic origin or ancestry (12)
- □ Prefer not to answer (13)

Q4 Do you consider yourself to be disabled and/or to have any long-term conditions that impact your health or day-to-day activities?

- o I consider myself disabled and/or to have a long term health condition (1)
- o I do not consider myself disabled and/or to have a long term health condition (2)
- o Prefer not to answer (3)

Q5 Which of the following stakeholder groups would you consider your primary affiliation? *Select all groups that apply to you.* 

- □ Person with lived experience of mental illness (1)
- □ Person with lived experience of mental illness, applying expertise in research/advocacy/policy (2)
- $\Box$  Advocate or other representative (3)
- □ Family member/caregiver/carer (4)
- □ Academic/researcher (5)
- □ Clinician/service provider within e.g. the health, education or charitable sector (6)
- □ Charitable sector, NGOs (7)
- □ Policy maker/government official (8)
- □ Technology/Innovation representatives (9)
- □ Other (please, specify) (10) \_
- □ Prefer not to answer (11)

Q6 What is your primary region of residence?

If more than one response applies, please chose your predominant region of residence.

- □ North America (Canada, United States) (1)
- □ Europe (e.g. Britain, France, Italy, Poland, Russia) (2)
- □ Middle East and North Africa (e.g. Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, Tunisia) (3)
- □ Asia/Pacific (e.g. Australia, China, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines) (4)
- □ Latin America (e.g. Argentina, Chile, Mexico) (5)
- □ Sub-Saharan Africa (e.g. Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal, Uganda) (6)
- □ Prefer not to answer (7)

Q7 What is the region where your digital mental health work/activity predominantly takes place? *Select all groups that apply to you.* 

- □ North America (Canada, United States) (1)
- □ Europe (e.g. Britain, France, Italy, Poland, Russia) (2)

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- □ Middle East and North Africa (e.g. Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, Tunisia) (3)
- □ Asia/Pacific (e.g. Australia, China, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines) (4)
- □ Latin America (e.g. Argentina, Chile, Mexico) (5)
- □ Sub-Saharan Africa (e.g. Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal, Uganda) (6)
- □ Does not apply (8)
- □ Prefer not to answer (7)

End of Block: Demographic questions collected to characterise participants

Start of Block: Digital MH Interventions

1 Digital Mental Health Interventions in Low and Middle Income Countries

2 In this section, we will ask you to provide answers about digital mental health intervention initiatives FROM LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (LIMCs). You can find a list of LMICs below. These might be interventions you are aware of or interventions in which you have been actively involved in the development stage or implementation stage. For your reference, this is the list of countries classified as LMICs:

## LMICs list:

Afghanistan	Guinea-Bissau	Paraguay	
Albania	Guyana	Peru	
Algeria	Haiti	Philippines	
Angola	Honduras	Rwanda	
Argentina	India	Saint Helena	
Armenia	Indonesia	Samoa	
Azerbaijan	Iran	São Tomé and Príncipe	
Bangladesh	Iraq	Senegal	
Belarus	Jamaica	Serbia	
Belize	Jordan	Sierra Leone	
Benin	Kazakhstan	Solomon Islands	
Bhutan	Kenya	Somalia	
Bolivia	Kiribati	South Africa	
Bosnia and	Democratic People's	South Sudan	
Herzegovina	Republic of Korea		
Botswana	Коѕоvо	Sri Lanka	
Brazil	Kyrgyzstan	Saint Lucia	
Burkina Faso	Lao People's Democratic	Saint Vincent and the	
	Republic	Grenadines	
Burundi	Lebanon	Sudan	
Cabo Verde	Lesotho	Suriname	
Cambodia	Liberia	Syrian Arab Republic	
Cameroon	Libya	Tajikistan	
Central African	North Macadonia	Tanzania	
Republic			
Chad	Madagascar	Thailand	



China (People's	Malawi	Timor-Leste	
Republic of)			
Colombia	Malaysia	Тодо	
Comoros	Maldives	Tokelau	
Democratic Republic of	Mali	Tonga	
Congo			
Congo	Marshall Islands	Tunisia	
Costa Rica	Mauritania	Turkey	
Côte d'Ivoire	Mauritius	Turkmenistan	
Cuba	Mexico	Tuvalu	
Djibouti	Micronesia	Uganda	
Dominica	Moldova	Ukraine	
Dominican Republic	Mongolia	Uzbekistan	
Ecuador	Montenegro	Vanuatu	
Egypt	Montserrat	Venezuela	
El Salvador	Morocco	Vietnam	
Equatorial Guinea	Mozambique	Wallis and Futuna	
Eritrea	Myanmar	West Bank and Gaza Strip	
Eswatini	Namibia	Yemen	
Ethiopia	Nauru	Zambia	
Fiji	Nepal	Zimbabwe	
Gabon	Nicaragua		
Gambia	Niger		
Georgia	Nigeria		
Ghana	Niue		
Grenada	Pakistan		
Guatemala	Panama		
Guinea	Papua New Guinea		

Q1 We have identified some digital mental health interventions from LMICs by conducting a literature review. Please, screen this list and complete the table below with any other digital mental health interventions that you know which are not included there. If you are able to provide only the name of the intervention, that would be very helpful too.

If the intervention was developed in a high income country and culturally adapted for a LMIC, the intervention would be of interest. However, if there were no contextual or cultural adaptations, those interventions would be out of scope.

A Prelimenary List of Interventions identified through Literature Review:

Inuka app (problem-solving therapy for depression and anxiety) Smiling is Fun platform (cognitivebehavioural therapy based for depression)Healthy Psychological Station (cognitive behavioural therapybased for depression and anxiety)Deprexis (intervention to help cope with depressive symptoms)

Dialog + (based on cognitive-behavioural therapy and solution-focused therapy for depression andanxiety)Cuida tu Ánimo (Take Care of Your Mood; psychoeducation for depression)mindLAMP



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(intervention for relapse prevention among individuals with schizophrenia spectrum disorders)

Mentali (primary screening of anxiety and depression) Step-by-Step (psychoeducation and training of skills that could assisst with depressive symptoms) El Buen Consejo Movil (the Mobile Sound Advice; psycho-education using a CBT "toolbox" for depression) **CONEMO** (Intervention based on behavioural activation for depression) ī.

	Name (1)	Organisation/Individual s leading development (5)	Implementation Location (2)
Digital Mental Health Intervention 1 (4)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 2 (5)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 3 (6)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 4 (7)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 5 (8)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 6 (9)			
Digital Mental Health Intervention 7 (16)			



Digital Mental Health Intervention 8 (17)		
Digital Mental Health Intervention 9 (18)		
Digital Mental Health Intervention 10 (19)		

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Q2 When we mention "lived experience" we refer to participation and collaboration with people with lived exeprience of mental health conditions. We understand lived experience as a unique form of knowledge, insight, and expertise, that comes from having experience of mental health challenges.

Is there lived experience involvement in the development of the interventions you have mentioned? If so, please elaborate for which intervention and in what capacity lived experience is a part of the intervention development.

We appreciate that teams may have different levels of experience of involving and collaborating with lived experience experts for example in intervention planning, design, data collection, data analysis, governance, dissemination, reporting etc.

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Q3 Please, answer this question if you identify yourself as a person with lived experience of mental health problems or an informal carer.



Have you been directly involved in the development of a digital mental health intervention in or for LMICs?

If yes, please share how the developing company ensured equitable and meaningful involvement and how did the developing team take into consideration the lived experience perspective?

o Yes (4)

o No (5)

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Q115 Do you have any other comments or suggestions relevant to digital mental health interventions in LMICs?

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Q120 If you are interested in participating in an interview or think that someone in your network would be interested in participating in an interview to explore and map digital mental health interventions in low- and middle-income countries, please choose "yes" and leave an email address through which we could contact you. For a person in your network, please just leave their full name.

Please, note that if you choose to leave your email address you give consent for us to contact you directly.

o Yes (1)\_\_\_\_\_

o No (2)

End of Block: Digital MH Interventions