Case Study – Risks and Ethical Considerations

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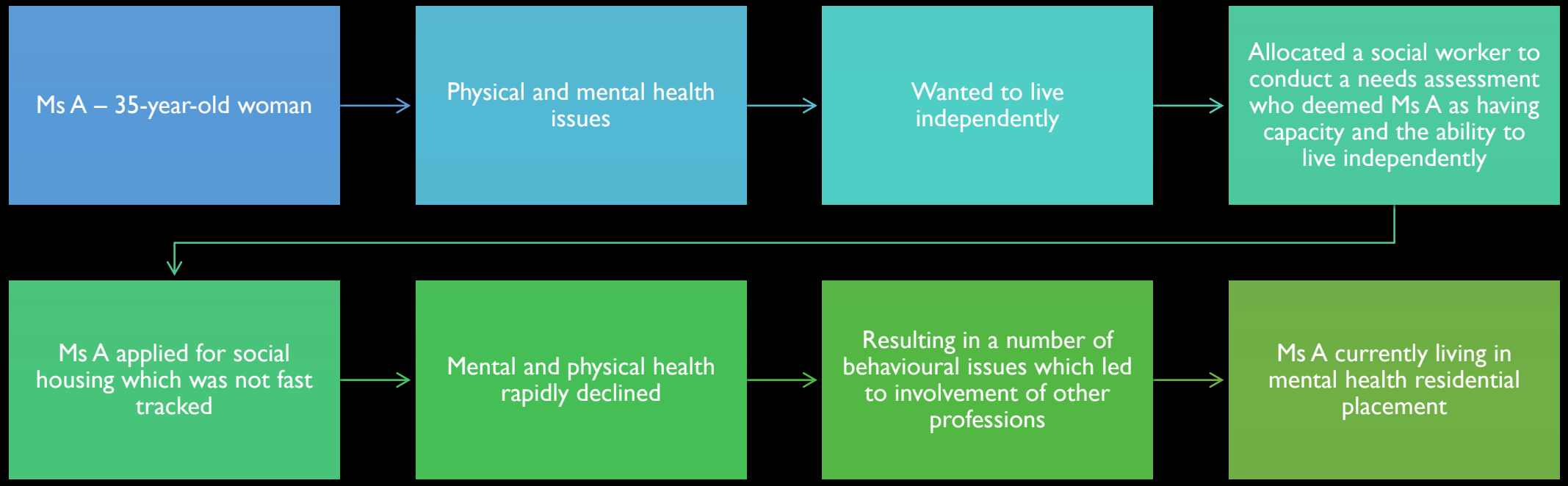
Case study



(SCIE, n.d.).

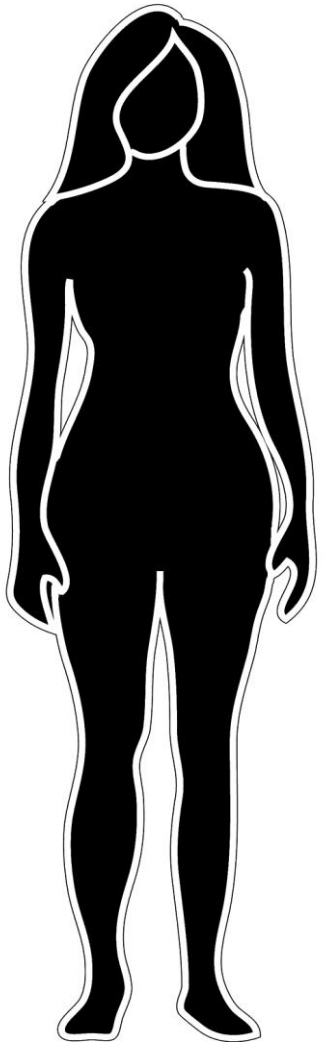
Biological

- Visually Impaired
- Renal Failure
- Diabetes
- ? Familial influence / genetics

Sociological

- Breakdown in family dynamics
- Homelessness
- Anti Social Behaviour
- Inappropriate relationships – financial / sexual exploitaion
- Self care – medication / support groups
- Risk of harm to herself and others - physical / verbal altercations.
- Improper sharing of information / recording of it.

Ms. A



Psychological

- Emotionally unstable personality disorder
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Trauma
- Sense of self
- Self harm and suicidal ideation
- Unstable relationships
- Impulsive behaviour / anger
- Intense emotions / feelings
- Manipulative behaviour

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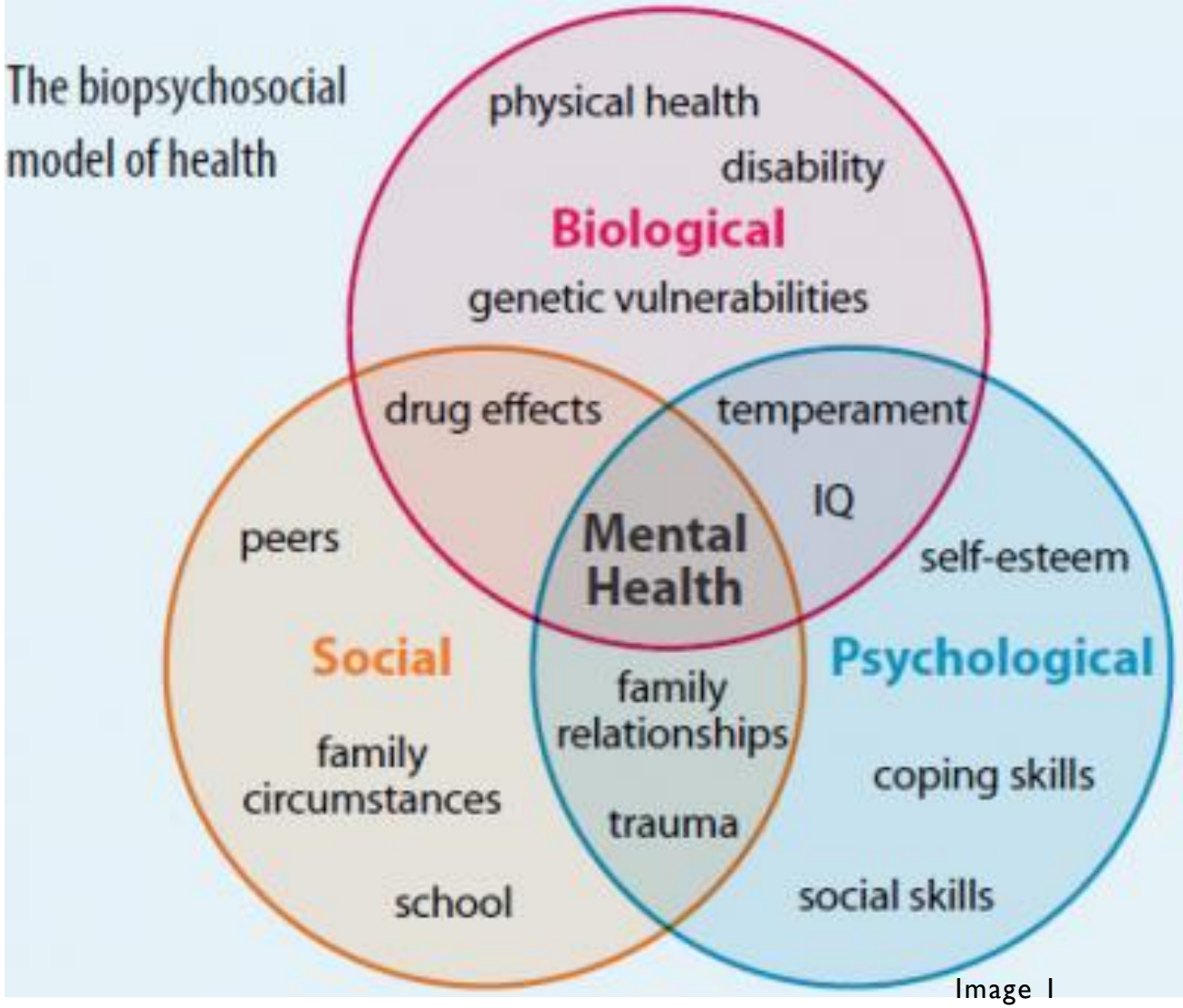


Image 1

BIOPSYCHOSOCIAL MODEL

(Havelka et al., 2009; Borrell-Carrio et al., 2004).

Inconsistencies in case study

- Nothing dated
- Unclear housing information
- Insufficient documentation of referrals
- No clear details of multi agency involvement
- Unclear family circumstances (background)
- Unclear assessment details
- Limited medical history
- Why were CAMHS involved?

(SCIE, n.d.)

Ethical Considerations

The right to take risks

Consent

Sharing information appropriately

Respecting the right to self determination

(BASW, 2012; Banks, 2012; Schildmann et al., 2017).

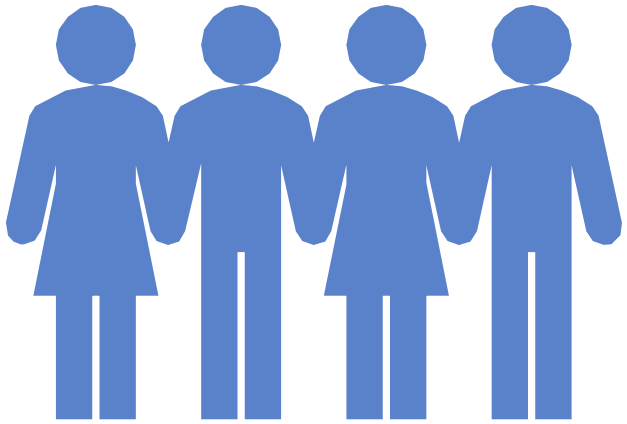
Image 2

Conflict of Interest

Capacity is:

'the ability of a person to make decisions that may have legal consequences for themselves and/or for others affected by the decision'.

(Thistlethwaite and Jackson, 2014; DLS, 2009).



Multi Disciplinary Working

- Social Services
- Police
- Mental health services
- Family
- Health profession
- Housing department
- Occupational Therapy
- Ms A

(SCIE, n.d.)

Ways to Overcome

- Multi disciplinary approach from outset
- Improved understanding of Ms A's Biopsychosocial needs by all those involved
- Working in partnership
- Led by a lead practitioner enabling the whole team to see the bigger picture
- Developing a joint plan agreed by all
- Appropriate information sharing according to protocols
- Person centred approach

(Schildmann et al., 2017).

CONCLUSION

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