

Characteristics Table for The Clinical Question: What are the best interventions for adult offenders and/or individuals who have elevated levels of the ASPD construct?

Comparisons Included in this Clinical Question

Anger management vs control
VANNOY2004

Anticonvulsants vs placebo
GOTTSCHALK1973
HOLLANDER2003
MATTES2005
MATTES2008
NICKEL2005B
STANFORD2005

Antidepressants vs placebo
COCCARO1997A

Any intervention including SLT components [Drug / alcohol users and primary focus]
JOHNSON1995

Group based cognitive and behavioural intervention vs control
ARMSTRONG2003
LIAU2004
PORPORINO1995
ROSS1988
VAN VOORHIS2004

Lithium vs placebo
SHEARD1976

Characteristics of Included Studies

Methods	Participants	Outcomes	Interventions	Notes
<p>ARMSTRONG2003</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Study Description: Offender RCT</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers</p> <p>Blindness: Open</p> <p>Duration (days):</p> <p>Setting: US</p> <p>Institution (Prison)</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 129 randomised into the treatment arm and 127 into the control arm. In the treatment arm, 4 could not speak English, 4 refused treatment and 11 were released prior to transfer. In the control arm, 25 were exposed to treatment.</p>	<p>n= 212</p> <p>Age: Mean 20 Range 15-22</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>Exclusions: If the offender was not (a) between the ages of 15 and 22 (b) a resident of the jail and (c) if they could not speak English.</p> <p>Baseline: Significant group differences were found for the percentages of African Americans and Caucasians</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>Length of time until recidivism</p> <p>Number of recidivists (any time period)</p> <p>Notes: TIME PERIOD: from first release until the end of data collection. DROP OUTS: 15% (intervention); 20% (control); only report means for the 65/110 who received > 30 days of treatment.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 110</p> <p>Moral reconnection therapy - 3 sessions per week, approximately 1 to 1 1/2 hours duration. Delivered by correctional counselors and officers. Targeted at moral development, self-control and reducing association with delinquent peers. Group therapy.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 102</p> <p>No treatment - Participants resided in the general population as opposed to the institutional facilities.</p>	<p>21% (N=54) had four or more prior arrests. Of these, 43% (N=110) for violence, 48% (N=123) for a property offence and 32% (N=82) for a drug offence.</p>
<p>Results from this paper:</p> <p>1.1 Well covered</p> <p>1.2 Not reported</p> <p>1.3 Not addressed</p> <p>1.4 Not addressed</p> <p>1.5 Poorly addressed</p> <p>1.6 Not addressed</p> <p>1.7 Adequately covered</p> <p>1.8 15% (intervention); 20% (control)</p> <p>1.9 Poorly addressed</p> <p>1.10 Not applicable</p> <p>2.1 +</p>				

<p>COCCARO1997A</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Type of Analysis: ITT</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 84</p> <p>Setting: Outpatient</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 64 entered 2-week, placebo lead-in phase; 40/64 (63%) met OAS-M criteria and were randomized.</p>	<p>n= 40</p> <p>Age: Mean 38</p> <p>Sex: 28 males 12 females</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>100% Personality disorder by DSM-III-R</p> <p>100% Impulsive aggressive by OAS-M</p> <p>10% ASPD by DSM-III-R</p> <p>Exclusions: - no DSM-III-R diagnosis of PD - life history of mania, hypomania, schizophrenia, delusional disorder - current major depression - dependent on alcohol or other drugs - did not score sufficiently high on at least 1 anger, 1 aggression subscales of the self report Anger, Irritability and Aggression Questionnaire (AIAQ) - scored < 15 on OAS-M and < 6 on OAS-M Irritability subscale score during 2-week single-blind, placebo lead-in phase</p> <p>Baseline: No significant differences at baseline.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>OAS-Modified (observer rated)</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: baseline and weekly. DROP OUTS: TREATMENT - 48%; PLACEBO - 31%.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 20</p> <p>Fluoxetine - Initial dose of fluoxetine - 20mg/day up to first 4-weeks. Could be raised to 40 mg if score on OAS-M did not decrease by 25%. Maximum dose of 60 mg/day.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 20</p> <p>Placebo</p>	
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Well covered

1.2 Not reported

1.3 Not addressed

1.4 Well covered

1.5 Well covered

1.6 Not addressed

1.7 Well covered

1.8 TREATMENT - 48%; PLACEBO - 31%

1.9 Well covered

1.10 Not applicable

2.1 +

<p>GOTTSCHALK1973</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 180</p> <p>Setting: US, Maryland Institution (prison)</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: Details not provided.</p>	<p>n= 42</p> <p>Age: Mean 25</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>100% Offenders</p> <p>Exclusions: - inmates who had not reported violations of discipline rules in the previous 6 months</p> <p>Notes: OFFENDERS AND ASPD CONSTRUCT (rule breaking)</p> <p>Baseline: Statistical test at baseline not conducted but groups had similar hostility scores at baseline.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>Hostility outward scale (from speech sample)</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: baseline and 1-,2-,3-,4-,5-,6-months.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 24</p> <p>Diphenylhydantoin. Mean dose 300mg - (DPH) Daily by mouth for a 6-month period.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 18</p> <p>Placebo - 24mg of DPH daily to avoid informing participants that a placebo was given. Uniform in taste and appearance, individually coded at a hospital pharmacy.</p>	
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Adequately addressed

1.2 Not reported

1.3 Not addressed

1.4 Well covered

1.5 Adequately addressed

- 1.6 Not addressed
- 1.7 Adequately addressed
- 1.8 [None reported]
- 1.9 Not addressed
- 1.10 Not applicable

2.1 +

HOLLANDER2003

Study Type: RCT
 Type of Analysis: not-ITT
 Blindness: Double blind
 Duration (days): Mean 84
 Setting:
 Outpatient (19 sites)

n= 233
 Age: Mean 27 Range 19-67
 Sex: 169 males 64 females
 Diagnosis:
 100% Impulsive aggressive by OAS-M
 41% Personality disorder by DSM-IV
 4% ASPD
 Exclusions: - not 18-65
 - no DSM-IV diagnosis of PD, intermittent explosive disorder or PTSD
 - does not have (on average) 2 physical/verbal aggressive outbursts per week for last month
 - aggressive behaviour is premeditated or for tangible objective
 - < 15 on OAS-M aggressive subscale
 - receiving psychotherapy but without a stable psychotherapy schedule for last 3-months
 - bipolar disorder
 - major depressive disorder
 - history of schizophrenia/psychotic disorder
 - symptoms of dementia
 - homicidal/suicidal
 - impulsive aggression from head trauma or other medical condition
 - pregnant or lactating females
 - unstable medical conditions
 Notes: Baseline severity of OAS-M (Agression):
 TREATMENT - 43.7 (66.7); CONTROL - 33.7 (66.5)
 Baseline: No significant differences between groups at baseline on the OAS-M Aggression score.

Data Used
 OAS-Modified (observer rated)
 Notes: TAKEN AT: baseline, weekly, telephone visits at weeks 5 and 7. DROP OUTS: total = 5.3%

Group 1 N= 116
 Divalporex - Initiated at 500 mg/day, twice daily, increased by 250mg every 3-7 days during the first 3 weeks of treatment.
Group 2 N= 117
 Placebo

- Results from this paper:
- 1.1 Adequately addressed
 - 1.2 Not reported
 - 1.3 Not addressed
 - 1.4 Not addressed
 - 1.5 Well covered
 - 1.6 Well covered
 - 1.7 Well covered
 - 1.8 Total = 5.6%
 - 1.9 Not addressed
 - 1.10 Not addressed

2.1 +

JOHNSON1995

<p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Blindness: Open</p> <p>Duration (days):</p> <p>Followup: 4-month</p> <p>Setting: Probation</p>	<p>n= 134</p> <p>Age:</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>Exclusions: Those not referred after initial drug screening for Addiction Severity Index diagnosis whose drug problem score was not 5+</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>Revocations/absconsions</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: 8-months, average (includes intervention time i.e. since intake into programme).</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 47</p> <p>Cognitive skills - Specialised Drug Offender Programme = drug offenders probation programme with max caseload of 50 + cognitive model (group therapy, 35 sessions x 2 hour).</p> <p>Group 2 N= 51</p> <p>Specialized drug offender program - drug offenders probation programme with max caseload of 50. No additional training.</p> <p>Group 3 N= 36</p> <p>TAU - Regular probation services; caseload of 160.</p>	
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Well covered

1.2 Adequately covered

1.3 Not addressed

1.4 Not addressed

1.5 Adequately addressed

1.6 Not addressed

1.7 Adequately addressed

1.8 [Not reported]

1.9 Not addressed

1.10 Not applicable

2.1 +

<p>LIAU2004</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Study Description: [Offender search]</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers</p> <p>Blindness: Open</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 60</p> <p>Followup: 6-month</p> <p>Setting: US</p> <p>Halfway house</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 43/359 (12%) referred clients declined participation resulting in 316 offenders.</p>	<p>n= 316</p> <p>Age: Mean 30 Range 18-61</p> <p>Sex: 224 males 92 females</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>100% Offenders</p> <p>Exclusions: None reported.</p> <p>Baseline: There were no significant differences between the treatment and comparison groups on any of the pretest measures.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>Recidivism (6 months)</p> <p>Data Not Used</p> <p>Young Adult Self-Report Form - only 67/276 collected at post-assessment</p> <p>Institutional misconduct - incident reports - do not report SD</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: pre- and post-assessment and recidivism at 6-months post-release. DROP OUTS: 19/163 (12%, treatment); 132/153 (14%, control); recidivism data for 250/276 completers.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 163</p> <p>Psychoeducational - EQUIP: psychoeducational group therapy including sessions on thinking errors, anger management + social skills. Homework. 1 x 1 hour sessions/week (approx for 2-months).</p> <p>Group 2 N= 153</p> <p>Control - Received all programming available at the facility except for the EQUIP psycho-educational i.e. employment services, substance-absolute education, academic skills development, case management and life skills education.</p>	<p>The community correctional facility does not accept sexual offenders, arsonists or any offender who has committed a violent offence in the past 3 years; 48% drug offences, 33% property offences, 4% public offences and 2% family offences.</p>
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Well covered

1.2 Not reported

1.3 Not addressed

1.4 Not addressed

1.5 Well covered

1.6 Well covered

1.7 Adequately addressed

1.8 12% (treatment); 14% (control)

1.9 Not addressed

1.10 Not applicable

2.1 +

MATTES2005				
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<p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Study Description: Last observation carried forward for all participants who had baseline scores; 2 participants did not have baseline scores.</p> <p>Type of Analysis: non-ITT</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 70</p> <p>Setting: Outpatient</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation procedure not reported</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 376 - 214 decided not to participate, 94 did not meet inclusion criteria. 48 randomised; 45 had had an adequate trial.</p>	<p>n= 45</p> <p>Age: Mean 42</p> <p>Sex: 36 males 9 females</p> <p>Diagnosis: 33% ADHD by DSM-IV</p> <p>22% Intermittent Explosive Disorder by DSM-IV</p> <p>Exclusions: - schizophrenia, bipolar, epilepsy, dementia, mental retardation, substance abuse (prior 6 months) - need for treatment with antipsychotics, anticonvulsants or psychotropic medication - antidepressants other than anxiolytics, stimulants or hypnotics - significant risk of severely injuring others/self - current psychiatric or neurological conditions which required specific treatment and clinically stable unless current clinical symptom = impulsive aggression</p> <p>Baseline: Differences between groups on verbal aggression at baseline where the placebo group scored higher.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>OAS-Modified (observer rated)</p> <p>Notes: DROP OUTS: 24/ 48 completed study (14 TREATMENT; 10 PLACEBO); 45/48 completed 4 weeks of treatment (analysis on these participants)</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 21</p> <p>Oxcarbazepine - Initial dose = 150mg/day, increased by 150-300 mg/d after 2-4 days to at least 1200 mg/day (if tolerated) with a maximum of 2400 mg/day.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 24</p> <p>Placebo</p>	
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<p>Results from this paper:</p> <p>1.1 Adequately addressed</p> <p>1.2 Not reported</p> <p>1.3 Not addressed</p> <p>1.4 Well covered</p> <p>1.5 Poorly addressed</p> <p>1.6 Poorly addressed</p> <p>1.7 Well covered</p> <p>1.8 TOTAL: 53.3%</p> <p>1.9 Not addressed</p> <p>1.10 Not applicable</p> <p>2.1 +</p>				
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<p>MATTES2008</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Study Description: Last observation carried forward for all participants who had baseline scores; 2 participants did not have baseline scores.</p> <p>Type of Analysis: non-ITT</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 70</p> <p>Setting: Outpatient</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: Details not provided.</p>	<p>n= 40</p> <p>Age: Mean 45 Range 21-64</p> <p>Sex: 35 males</p> <p>Diagnosis: 32% ADHD by DSM-IV</p> <p>100% Impulsive aggressive</p> <p>Exclusions: - no recurrent incidents of aggression - aggressiveness is not grossly out of proportion to the provocation or precipitating psychosocial stressors - aggressiveness is premeditated or for tangible objective - causes neither marked distress in the individual nor impairment in occupational/interpersonal functioning - aggressiveness is accounted for by another mental disorder, medical condition or direct physiologic effects of a substance - not 18-65 - women of childbearing potential who do not practice effective contraception - lifetime history of schizophrenia, bipolar, epilepsy, dementia, mental retardation, autism, substance abuse in prior 6 months - need for treatment with antipsychotics, anticonvulsants,</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>OAS-Modified (observer rated)</p> <p>Notes: DROP OUTS: 34/40 completed four-weeks of trial; 19/40 completed full trial.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 20</p> <p>Levetiracetam. Mean dose 1738mg - Initial dose: 250 mg/day, increased by 250 mg/day after 1-week to at least 1000 mg/day, with a maximum of 3000 mg/day by week 6.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 20</p> <p>Placebo</p>	
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	<p>mood stabilisers or a recent change in psychotropic medication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - patients on antidepressants other than anxiolytics, stimulants or hypnotics - current psychiatric or neurologic conditions that required specific treatment unless adequately treated and with clinically stable symptoms unless unstable symptom is impulsive aggression <p>Notes: ASPD CONSTRUCT: impulsive aggression</p> <p>Baseline: No significant differences between groups on aggression ratings</p>			
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Poorly addressed
1.2 Not reported
1.3 Not addressed
1.4 Well covered
1.5 Well covered
1.6 Poorly addressed
1.7 Well covered
1.8 TOTAL: 47.5%
1.9 Not addressed
1.10 Not applicable

2.1 +

<p>NICKEL2005B</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 54</p> <p>Setting: GERMANY Outpatient</p> <p>Notes: Randomisation procedure not detailed</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: Details not given</p>	<p>n= 42</p> <p>Age: Mean 29</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis: 100% Borderline Personality Disorder by DSM-IV</p> <p>100% Anger problems</p> <p>Exclusions: - less than 18 years old - not perceived excessive burdens caused by their life situations that produced feelings of constantly increasing anger - acute psychosis - severe major depression - bipolar - current use of topiramate or other psychotropic medication - participation in psychotherapy - somatically ill - suicidal - addictive illness</p> <p>Notes: ASPD CONSTRUCT: anger</p> <p>Baseline: No significant differences</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>State Trait Anger Expression Inventory (Self)</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: baseline and weekly. DROP OUTS: TREATMENT - 0; PLACEBO -2/24 (8.3%).</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 22</p> <p>Topiramate - Beginning - 50 mg/day; 6th week - titrated to 250mg/day and then stayed constant.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 22</p> <p>Placebo - Identical capsules</p>	<p>Not funded.</p>
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Results from this paper:

1.1 Adequately covered
1.2 Not reported
1.3 Not addressed
1.4 Well covered
1.5 Well covered
1.6 Poorly addressed
1.7 Adequately addressed
1.8 TREATMENT - 0; PLACEBO -2/24 (8.3%)
1.9 Not addressed

1.10 Not addressed

2.1 +

PORPORINO1995

Study Type: RCT
Study Description: Those who could be tracked at follow-up; includes non-completers
Type of Analysis: Completers*
Blindness:
Duration (days):
Followup: 6-month
Setting: Institution (Prison)

n= 757
Age: Mean 31
Sex:
Diagnosis:
100% Offenders

Exclusions: - not randomised to treatment/WLC
- not released under community supervision of at least 6-
months had elapsed

Baseline: Significant difference such that more time passed for those cases actually assigned to treatment as compared to control.

Data Used
Readmission to prison
Notes: DROP OUTS: 446/757 completed treatment (19% dropout). FOLLOW-UP: 6-month

Group 1 N= 550
Reasoning and Rehabilitation - Up to 8 per group.
Group 2 N= 207
Waitlist

Results from this paper:

- 1.1 Adequately addressed
- 1.2 Adequately addressed
- 1.3 Not adequately reported
- 1.4 Not addressed
- 1.5 Adequately addressed
- 1.6 Poorly addressed
- 1.7 Adequately addressed
- 1.8 446/757
- 1.9 Adequately addressed
- 1.10 Not applicable

ROSS1988

Study Type: RCT
Type of Analysis: Unclear
Blindness: Open
Duration (days):
Followup: 5-month
Setting: CANADA, Ontario
Community (Probation)
Notes: Randomisation process not reported.
Info on Screening Process: Details not reported.

n= 62
Age:
Sex: all males
Diagnosis:
100% Offenders

Exclusions: - if probationers did not have a Level of Supervision Inventory (LSI) classification as a high-risk offender.

Notes: High-risk probationers

Baseline: Cognitive group had a slightly lower LSI score than other and a higher number of previous convictions.

Data Used
Recidivism
Notes: TAKEN AT: 9 months (since admission to treatment i.e. during intervention) RECIDIVISM: that resulted in conviction.

Group 1 N= 22
Cognitive skills - R&R. Group therapy. 80 hours. Run by probation officers.
Group 2 N= 17
Life Skills Training - 80 hours. Training in areas such as money management, leisure activities, family and criminal law, employment-seeking skills, alcohol & drug education. Run by probation officers.
Group 3 N= 23
TAU - Regular probation services without extra interventions.

Results from this paper:

- 1.1 Not addressed
- 1.2 Not reported
- 1.3 Not addressed
- 1.4 Not addressed
- 1.5 Adequately addressed
- 1.6 Not addressed
- 1.7 Well covered
- 1.8 [Details not provided]
- 1.9 Not addressed
- 1.10 Not addressed

2.1 +

<p>SHEARD1976</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind Duration (days): Mean 90</p> <p>Setting: Institution (Prison)</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 159 referrals, 101 suitable, 80 remained in study long enough to receive medication, 14 dropped out; final sample = 66.</p>	<p>n= 66 Age: Mean 19 Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis: 100% Offenders</p> <p>Exclusions: - not convicted for serious aggressive crime - no history of chronic assaultive behaviour and/or chronic impulsive antisocial behaviour - poor physical health with renal, cardiac or organic brain disease - inability to comprehend the written material - sentence insufficient to complete trial - no termination of psychoactive medication</p> <p>Notes: OFFENDERS AND ASPD CONSTRUCT: offending history is assaultive and antisocial in nature.</p> <p>Baseline: Baseline statsits are not examined.</p>	<p>Data Used Minor institutional infractions Major institutional infractions Notes: DROP OUTS: TOTAL = 16/80 (20%)</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 34 Lithium - Goal to maintain 24-hour serum lithium levels in the range: 0.6-1.0 mEq/liter. 5 capsules/day with carrying doses.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 32 Placebo</p>	
<p>Results from this paper:</p> <p>1.1 Poorly addressed 1.2 Not reported 1.3 Not addressed 1.4 Well covered 1.5 Poorly addressed 1.6 Not addressed 1.7 Adequately addressed 1.8 TOTAL = 16/80 (20%) 1.9 Not addressed 1.10 Not applicable</p> <p>2.1 +</p>				
<p>STANFORD2005</p> <p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Study Description: *Blind was broken at final visit to discuss effectiveness of drug.</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers</p> <p>Blindness: Double blind* Duration (days): Mean 42</p> <p>Setting: US</p> <p>Notes: Randomly assigned using a random number table.</p> <p>Info on Screening Process: 43/183 met inclusion criteria; 57 refused to participate; 29 completed full trial.</p>	<p>n= 29 Age: Mean 33 Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis: 100% Impulsive aggressive by BDHI</p> <p>59% ASPD</p> <p>Exclusions: - women - in the past 6 months, did not fail to resist aggressive impulses that resulted in serious assaultive acts or destruction of property - the degree of assaultiveness was not grossly out of proportion to precipitating psychosocial stressors - 2 such episodes occurred during the month prior to entering the study - did not score 8+ on the Irritability subscale of the Buss-Durkee Hostility Inventory (BDHI) - verbal IQ < 80 - diagnosis of bipolar or thought disorder - use of psychoactive medication - history of medical/neurologic problems - non-native English speaker - liver enzymes not within normal limits</p> <p>Notes: ASPD CONSTRUCT: impulsive aggression</p>	<p>Data Used Overt Aggression Scale (OAS; observer-rated) Notes: TAKEN AT: 2-,4-,6-weeks. DROP OUTS: 3/11 PLACEBO; 2/9 Phenytoin; 2/9 Carbamazepine; 2/9 Valproate.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 7 Phenytoin. Mean dose 300mg</p> <p>Group 2 N= 7 Carbamazepine. Mean dose 450mg - (CBZ)</p> <p>Group 3 N= 7 Valproate - (VPA)</p> <p>Group 4 N= 8 Placebo - Dextrose. Administered in identical, unamrked capsules obtained from a local pharmacy.</p>	

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<p>Results from this paper:</p> <p>1.1 Well covered 1.2 Adequately addressed 1.3 Not addressed 1.4 Adequately addressed 1.5 Well covered 1.6 Poorly addressed 1.7 Well covered 1.8 3/11 (27.3%) PLACEBO; 2/9 (22.2%) Phenytoin; 2/9 (22.2%) Carbamazepine; 2/9 (22.2%) Valproate. 1.9 Not addressed 1.10 Not applicable</p> <p>2.1 +</p>				
VAN VOORHIS2004				
<p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers and drop out</p> <p>Blindness: Open</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 245</p> <p>Followup: 9-month</p> <p>Setting: US, Georgia Community (Probation)</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported. Info on Screening Process: Details not reported.</p>	<p>n= 468</p> <p>Age: Mean 30 Range 18-62</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis:</p> <p>Exclusions: -Parolees with IQ scores lower than 80 and with a history of sex offences or severe substance abuse. Note: despite screening, 27 parolees (6%) had an IQ below 80</p> <p>Baseline: There was no significant differences between the groups on level or risk of reoffending, number of prior incarcerations, prior felony convictions or prior violent offences.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>Technical violations at 9 months Technical violations at 6 months Technical violations at 3 months Re-arrest/revocation at 9 months</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: 3, 6 and 9 months after intervention. DROP OUTS: 60% completed R&R recidivism data on 100% of sample.</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 232</p> <p>Reasoning and Rehabilitation - R&R consists of 35 lessons that cover: problem solving, creative thinking, social skills, management of emotions, negotiation skills, values enhancement and critical reasoning. Manual with detailed lesson plans. Group therapy.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 236</p> <p>TAU - No further details on control group; regular probation services. All participants could engage in other psychosocial programmes in both groups; no significant differences in groups on additional programme attendance.</p>	<p>All participants had at least one prior felony on record with: (a) at least one violent offence (51%) and (b) at least one prior prison sentence (46%). Classification of risk: 47 (10%) at high risk; 365 (78%) at medium risk; and 56 (12%) as low risk</p>
<p>Results from this paper:</p> <p>1.1 Adequately covered 1.2 Not reported 1.3 Not addressed 1.4 Not addressed 1.5 Well covered 1.6 Well covered 1.7 Well covered 1.8 40% in treatment arm did not complete treatment; data for 100% of sample 1.9 Not addressed 1.10 Not applicable</p> <p>2.1 +</p>				
VANNOY2004				
<p>Study Type: RCT</p> <p>Type of Analysis: Completers</p> <p>Blindness: Open</p> <p>Duration (days): Mean 84</p> <p>Setting: US Institution (Prison)</p> <p>Notes: Details on randomisation not reported. Info on Screening Process: Details not reported.</p>	<p>n= 29</p> <p>Age: Mean 35 Range 21-50</p> <p>Sex: all males</p> <p>Diagnosis: 100% Offenders</p> <p>Exclusions: None reported.</p> <p>Notes: Low security prison</p> <p>Baseline: None reported.</p>	<p>Data Used</p> <p>State Trait Anger Expression Inventory (Self)</p> <p>Notes: TAKEN AT: pre- and post-intervention. DROP OUTS: 5/15 (treatment arm) Report only state-anger and trait anger; report the mean difference for pre- and post-test-scores and the standard deviation of means differences for each group (Table 1).</p>	<p>Group 1 N= 15</p> <p>Anger Control Training - 12 weekly group meetings, 1.5 hours per week. Completion of treatment was considered as attending 9/12 sessions. Therapy based on Buddhist principles.</p> <p>Group 2 N= 14</p> <p>Waitlist</p>	<p>No details on prior offences reported.</p>

Results from this paper:

- 1.1 Well covered
- 1.2 Not reported
- 1.3 Not addressed
- 1.4 Not addressed
- 1.5 Not addressed
- 1.6 Not addressed
- 1.7 Adequately addressed
- 1.8 33% (treatment arm)
- 1.9 Not addressed
- 1.10 Not applicable

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Characteristics of Excluded Studies

Reference ID	Reason for Exclusion
ANDERSON2002	Design: non-RCT
BARKWELL1976	Intervention/comparisons: not relevant [matching versus not matching offender to probation officer]; data: not extractable
BARO1999	Design: non-RCT
BELLUS1999	Design: non-RCT
BONTA2000	Design: non-RCT
BRICK1962	Outcomes: not relevant
BUCKLEY2007	Population: bipolar disorder
BURKE2003	Method: drop out > 50% in treatment group
BURNETTE2003	Design: no comparison group
BURNETTE2004	Design: no comparison group
BURNETTE2004A	Design: no comparison group
BURNETTE2005	Design: non-RCT
CAHILL2003	Population: Not elevated levels of anger
CANN2003	Design: non-RCT
CANN2006	Design: non-RCT
CHEREK2002	Design: not a clinical trial
COOPER2006	Intervention/comparison: not relevant
CORTONI2006	Design: non-RCT
CRAFT1987	Population: learning disability (<70)
DAVIS1976	Design: non-RCT
DEMARET1991	Method: looks at implementation but not the effects of implementation
DOWDEN1999	Data: number of non-completers unclear so cannot do ITT analysis
FALSHAW2003	Design: non-RCT
FINN1998	Data: none reported
FLECK2001	Data: none on post-intervention
FOSTER1989	Population: frontal lobe dysfunction; design: non-RCT
FRIENDSHIP2002	Design: non-RCT
FRIENDSHIP2003	Population: Sex offenders
FRIENDSHIP2003A	Population = sex offenders
GERRA2006	Design: non-RCT

HAGILIASSIS2005	Population: has significant physical impariment
HALL2004	Design: non-RCT
HARENKO1992	Population: Alzheimer's disease
HEDDERMAN1996	Design: non-RCT; comparison: no attempt to match for risk
HENNING1996	Design: non-RCT
HOLLIN1986	Method: N is equal or less than 10 in group
HOLLIS2007	Comparison: no useable group
HOMANTB1976	Comparison: not relevant
HUGHEY1996	Data: not extractable
JOHNSON2001	Intervention: not relevant
KOWNACKI1995	Method: number of participants in intervention and/or control = 10 or less
LAMBIE2003	Population: not all offenders
LARSON1989	Method: N<10
LION1979	Data: none reproted
LITTLE1993	Design: non-RCT
MANN2004	Comparison: not untreated
MARQUES2005	Population: Sex offenders
MARQUIS1996	Data: not reported for intervention/comparison
MARTIN1995A	Method: number of participants in intervention and/or control = 10 or less
MATTES1990	Data: reported for both randomised and non-randomised patients
MAYFIELD2008	Intervention: unclear; population: unclear (may be SMI).
MONNELLY2003	Data: not extracatable
MONTGOMERY	Quality: no information on comparison group
MOTUIK1996	Method: number of participants in intervention and/or control = 10 or less
PALAMARA1986	Design: non-RCT
PELLISSIER2001	Outcome: data reported as estimates and no details are given on how they were derived.
PHIPPS2003	Comparison: none
POLASCHEK2005	Data: non-RCT
PORPORINO1991	Design: non-RCT
PORPORINO2002	Design: non-RCT
PUGH1993	Outcomes: not relevant; data: not extractable
RATEY1992	Population: includes schizophrenia
RAYNOR1995	Design: non-RCT
REIST2003	Design: non-RCT
SHEARD1971	Data: missing
SOHANPAL2007	Population: learning disability (<70)
SONG1994	Data: only estimated not observed
SORGI1992	Population: chronic psychotics; outcomes: not relevant
STANFORD2001	Data: does not report pre-crossover data
STERMAC1986	Data: not extractable
TENNANT1998	Comparison group: none

VOLAVKA1990	Population: includes schizophrenia
WALTERS1999	Data: not extractable
WATT1998	Non-RCT
WHITE1985	Population: <18 years old; learning disability ranging from moderate to predominant
WORMITH1984	Data: not extractable
ZARCONE2001	Population: mixed child and adult population; learning disability (<70)
ZISOOK1978	Population: does not have elevated ASPD construct

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