

# How can we define social care and what are the levels of true integration in integrated care? A narrative review

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## Abstract

**Purpose** – Integrated health and social care initiatives are increasing and health and social care systems are aiming to improve health and social outcomes in disadvantaged groups. There is a global dialogue surrounding improving services by shifting to an integrated health and social care approach. There is consensus of what is “health care”; however, the “social care” definition remains less explored. The authors describe the state of “social care” within the current integrated care literature and identify the depth of integration in current health and social care initiatives.

**Design/methodology/approach** – A narrative literature review, searching Medline, PsychINFO, CINAHL, PubMed, Scopus and Cochrane databases and grey literature (from 2016 to 2021), employing a search strategy, was conducted.

**Findings** – In total, 276 studies were eligible for full-text review, and 33 studies were included and categorised in types: “social care as community outreach dialogues”, “social care as addressing an ageing population”, “social care as targeting multimorbidity and corresponding social risks factors” and “social care as initiatives addressing the fragmentation of services”. Most initiatives were implemented in the United Kingdom. In total, 21 studies reported expanding integrated governance and partnerships; 27 studies reported having health and social care staff with clear integrated governance; 17 had dedicated funding and 11 used data-sharing and the integration of systems’ records.

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**Originality/value** – The authors' demonstrate that social care approaches are expanding beyond the elderly, and these models have been used to respond to multimorbidity [including coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)], targeting priority groups and individuals with complex presentations.

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**Paper type** Literature review

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### Background

The recognition of social factors impacting health outcomes has been well established (Braveman and Gottlieb, 2014; Amelung *et al.*, 2021; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019). It is understood that addressing the social needs of health consumers can improve health outcomes at a population level (Amelung *et al.*, 2021; Cartier and Gottlieb, 2020).

It has been postulated that developing systems that foster integrated health and social care (Gottlieb *et al.*, 2017; Braveman and Gottlieb, 2014; Murphy *et al.*, 2017) are fundamental to reducing overreliance on institutional care (e.g. hospital admissions and emergency presentations) and addressing social needs.

Historically, social care efforts have predominately focussed on pension systems, home-help and residential services for the elderly (Peck, 2001; National Academies of Sciences *et al.*, 2020). More recently attention has been placed on social care models addressing integrated social and health-related needs (Cartier and Gottlieb, 2020; Wodchis *et al.*, 2020).

Importantly, policies and legislative frameworks have been developed and evolved to facilitate joined-up health and social care in mature systems, including introducing new care models and accelerating take-up in local areas showing the slowest progress (House of Commons Committee of Public Accounts, 2018).

There has been an expansion of social models of care (and its evaluation) into health care systems, including routine screening for social risks, social needs assessment, integrated global health plans, care coordination, social-based interventions (e.g. social prescribing) primarily originating from the United Kingdom (UK) (Islam, 2020) and the United States of America (USA) (Gottlieb *et al.*, 2017; Cartier and Gottlieb, 2020). However, the definition of what constitutes "social care" and how it should be systematically integrated is less well understood (Amelung *et al.*, 2021).

Key to advancing the global dialogue is a clear definition of what the "social" aspect of integrated health and social care is (Amelung *et al.*, 2021). Without this, there is the risk of (1) social aspects of integrated care being lost within the more dominant field of integrated (community and hospital) healthcare, (2) creating a conceptualisation of integrated health and social care that is too broad and diffuse for new audiences to grasp and (3) certain aspects of social care dominating the dialogue.

Moreover, it has been argued that social care has been consistently perceived as an add-on to health care services, which can be exacerbated by the lack of "parity of esteem" between the health and social care systems (Quilter-Pinner and Hochlaf, 2019).

One of the crucial aspects that could facilitate change in the paradigm is to develop comprehensive integrated health and social care policies at global and local levels. Wodchis *et al.* (2020) postulate that depth of true integration can be measured by the level of support and expansion of (1) integrated governance and partnerships; (2) integrated workforce and staffing; (3) integrated financing and payment and (4) data-sharing and use (Wodchis *et al.*, 2020). These authors used a hybrid integrated care framework (Peter Long *et al.*, 2017; Leijten *et al.*, 2017; WHO, 2016) to assess the depth of integration of 30 integrated health and social care programmes in high income countries.

Against this backdrop, the severe acute respiratory syndrome COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) pandemic reemphasised the interdependence of the health and social care sectors. Health

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systems have started to utilise novel approaches to address social needs of vulnerable communities worldwide (Paremoer *et al.*, 2021; Abrams and Szeffler, 2020). The pandemic has accelerated demands for information about patients' social circumstances to assess for risks of contracting the virus and/or spread it in their community. Novel and expanded social risk screening have been conducted to alert primary care providers about patients whose social challenges put them at higher risk of COVID-19 complications (Gottlieb *et al.*, 2021).

COVID-19 has also driven health systems to incorporate and expand the types of socio-economic risks included in social assessments, including employment, education and housing arrangements. In part, this is driven by new policies or encouragement from health care departments (Gottlieb *et al.*, 2021). As the effects of the pandemic impact on delivery and access to health and social care, it is an appropriate time to apply lessons learnt and to re-assess and enhance efforts to strengthen, scale and sustain integrated health and social care health care (Singu *et al.*, 2020).

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## Present study

Given the lack of current definition of "social care", and the lack of clarity on the levels of true integration, a narrative review study sought to (1) describe the current state and types of "social care" within the current integrated care space and (2) assess the level of integration regarding governance and partnerships; workforce and staffing; financing and payment and data-sharing and use in recent integrated health and social care initiatives.

## Methods

A narrative review, using an interdisciplinary approach, and broad scope of topics related to social care in the context of integrated health and social care was conducted.

A search of the academic databases was conducted for studies reporting on the design, implementation, effectiveness and experiences of interventions and system change models integrating health and social care for the period 2016 to 2021. This period was chosen given a higher uptake of integrated health and social care initiatives in the last 5 years.

### *Eligibility criteria*

The following inclusion criteria were utilised:

- (1) Intervention: Integrated health care and social care interventions that were based in a primary, secondary and tertiary health care settings as well as community and placed based settings. Integrated health care settings without social care were excluded.
- (2) Study design: All published study types were included including pilot studies, case studies, randomised controlled trials (RCT), quasi RCT and non-RCT studies.
- (3) Population: Participants, defined as enrollees, clients, patients or recipients, of integrated health and social care programmes across the lifespan.
- (4) Language: English.

### *Search strategy*

The systematic search was conducted in December 2021 by first the author (GU) using the following: Medline, PsychINFO, CINAHL, PubMed, Scopus and Cochrane and grey literature. This was completed using keyword searches, free search terms and their associated MeSH headings. MeSH headings used included "Integrated", "Health", "Social" and "Care". These searches were replicated as closely as possible across the six databases.

Terms used for the search are outlined below:

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ALL=("intervention") AND ALL=("integra*")
AND ALL=("social") AND ALL=("health" OR "medi*")
AND ALL=("social") AND ALL=("integra*")
AND ALL=("outcome" OR "evaluation")
AND LA=(English) AND DT=(Article)
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Following the identification of these articles, two reviewers (GU and FCM) independently screened all articles based on their title and abstract for inclusion based on the eligibility criteria described above. Any discrepancies between the two reviewers were revisited again by both reviewers, with a third reviewer (CHS) brought in to reach a consensus if there were still any disagreements. All articles that met our eligibility criteria were reviewed based on their full text by two reviewers (GU and FCM). Discrepancies were also discussed again by both reviewers, with a third reviewer (CHS) brought in to reach a consensus if there were still any disagreements.

### *Data extraction*

One reviewer (GU) extracted data from the included studies utilising Covidence™ software. Data extracted included study design and location, sampling method, participants, target group, care coordination component/characteristics, health and social health components and characteristics regarding organisation/s or body supporting/leading the system integration.

### *Framework for analysis*

We analysed the extracted data in two steps. First, we undertook an inductive interpretive analysis of the scope of activities within each reported initiatives to determine how “social care” was defined. In the second step, using a framework devised by [Wodchis et al. \(2020\)](#), we reviewed the extent to which each of the described initiatives were integrated beyond the life of a pilot or fixed-term programmes. The core components of this framework and description are synthetised in [Table 1](#).

## Results

A preferred reporting items for systematic reviews and meta-analyses (PRISMA) flowchart is provided as [Figure 1](#). Of the six databases searched up and until the 30th of November 2021, our searches yielded 4,125 studies. Based on title and abstract screening, 276 studies were eligible for full-text review, with 33 of these studies being included in the final narrative review.

[Table 2](#) provides details on each of the selected studies, country, including aims, study design, type of participants, sample sizes, sampling and relevance (target population). The top 3 countries reporting health and social care initiatives in the literature are the UK ( $n = 13$ ), followed by the USA ( $n = 7$ ) and the Netherlands ( $n = 4$ ). Studies focussed on providing social care for older adults ( $n = 13$ ) ([Terracciano et al., 2021](#); [Aredes et al., 2021](#); [Pruitt et al., 2018](#); [Perman et al., 2021](#); [Mateo-Abad et al., 2020](#); [Vestjens et al., 2019](#); [Spoorenberg et al., 2019](#); [Elston et al., 2019](#); [Wong et al., 2020](#); [Sadarangani et al., 2019](#); [Tong et al., 2020](#); [Doheny et al., 2020](#); [Janse et al., 2016](#)), followed by initiatives targeting social care for multimorbidity ( $n = 14$ ) ([Melvin and Gipson, 2019](#); [Collins et al., 2017](#); [Moretti, 2017](#); [Davenport, 2021](#); [Zarnegar et al., 2017](#); [Eastwood et al., 2019](#); [Talbot et al., 2020](#); [de Vries McClintock et al., 2016](#); [Ismail et al., 2020](#); [White et al., 2021](#)) and corresponding social needs ([Aboutanos et al., 2019](#); [Cammy, 2017](#); [Van Dijk et al., 2016](#); [Pauley et al., 2016](#)), initiatives addressing fragmentation of systems more broadly ( $n = 3$ ) ([Bussu and Marshall, 2020](#); [Murphy et al., 2017](#); [Alexander et al., 2018](#)) and initiatives aimed at community outreach in the context of integrated care ( $n = 3$ ) ([Moon et al., 2021](#); [Chng et al., 2021](#); [Sohanpal et al., 2017](#)).

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Category	Description
Integrated governance and partnerships	Characterised by new form of governance or new collaborative partnerships between health and social care organisations. Programmes can be also reported to have substantive changes in the governance of local health care, the extent of local partnerships required to implement the programmes or both
Integrated workforce and staffing	New approaches to staffing or work roles are undertaken. Expanding the roles of providers, adding new roles or finding new ways of working for existing providers. Programmes with supportive workforce or staffing policies with new local efforts to have health and social care providers work together, with or without adding staffing roles or the creation of multidisciplinary team-based care
Integrated financing and payment	Identified financing and payment policy changes as essential supports. This can involve new budgets created to cover the full cost of all health and social care services for the target populations. Aggregated or bundled budgets, new envelopes of funding for central programmes and sophisticated risk-sharing contract with delivery organisations and the insurance companies can also be mapped
Data-sharing and use	New approaches to data or information technology. Share patient information to have access to the clinical records of another group. Other forms could include staff sharing information about patients across providers. Secondary uses of data include programmes creating standard reporting on programme statistics (such as number of patients), which mirror existing approaches to data monitoring or programmes using rigorous third-party external (often university-based) evaluators to manage data and report on the programme outcomes

**Table 1.**  
Framework by  
*Wodchis et al. (2020)*

### *Aim 2. what is the current state and types of “social care” within the current integrated care space?*

Social care was defined by four main types ([Figure 2](#)), including (1) community outreach dialogues, (2) supporting ageing populations, (3) targeting multimorbidity and corresponding social factors and (4) addressing fragmentation of services.

“Social care as community outreach dialogues” involves innovative and emerging social care strategies seeking to address service gaps and past failures when integrating social care enhanced by a dynamic COVID-19 pandemic backdrop.

“Social care as supporting ageing population” is comprised by all the initiatives that focuses on improving health and social outcomes for the elderly (frail, non-frail and dwelling).

“Social care targeting multimorbidity and corresponding social factors” involves initiatives aimed at addressing the needs of varied cohorts with complex needs, including pain management and functionality, acquired brain injury and occupational health, end-of-life social needs, domestic violence (DV), youth and mental health needs amongst others.

The next type is comprised of initiatives addressing fragmentation of services, creating a bridge between health and social care systems. This is primarily approached by exploring global barriers and facilitators of integration at a system level (e.g. evaluation of integrated information technology systems for health and social care).

All initiatives described in the literature ( $n = 33$ ) had a care coordination component (a dedicated position assigned with the role of coordinating all the aspects of social and health care).

*Social care as community outreach.* There were three initiatives under this category. There is no doubt that COVID-19 has accelerated the development of social systems and care to address social needs and risks. In 2021, an initiative was implemented to provide community-



**Figure 1.**  
Flowchart of search strategy

led and -integrated mental health care and social services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Latino communities utilising promotores de salud (community health workers) ([Moon et al., 2021](#)). Two other initiatives focussed on social prescribing by utilising community link workers to support vulnerable individuals experiencing social and health multimorbidity in the UK ([Chng et al., 2021](#); [Sohanpal et al., 2017](#)). Interestingly, two of the initiatives described in this category emerged in response to accelerated awareness, during the COVID-19 pandemic, of the need to reach and meet the social needs of marginalised populations.

*Social care as supporting ageing populations.* Selected initiatives that provided health and social care initiatives to older adults ( $n = 13$ ), focussed on supporting specific needs of the elderly via face to face and/or home based and/or outreach and/or phone based. Key characteristics of “social care” within this category of initiatives include social care assessments and personalised plans to target older adults’ social needs. Six initiatives ([Perman et al., 2021](#); [Terracciano et al., 2021](#); [Aredes et al., 2021](#); [Vestjens et al., 2019](#);

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Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
Aboutanos <i>et al.</i> (2019)	Critical call for hospital-based domestic violence intervention: The Davis Challenge	United States	Describe the 10-year initial development, sustainability, and growth of a hospital-based intimate partner violence (IPV) intervention programme at Level I Trauma Centre and provide descriptive statistics on the process, outcome, and impact	Non-randomised experimental study	Patients and clinicians	$n = 799$ patients $n = 1130$ staff and service providers	Patients experiencing domestic violence
Alexander <i>et al.</i> (2018)	A before-and-after study of integrated training sessions for children's health and care services	UK	Evaluate the efficacy of an intersectoral educational intervention across children services for improving participants' knowledge of local services and improving participants' joint working status (including communication, navigation and confidence in collaboration)	Non-randomised experimental study	Clinicians	$n = 202$ service providers	Children and families who live in disadvantaged communities
Aredeas <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Integrated Care in the Community: The Case of the Programa Major Cuidado (PCM) Older Adult Care Programme in Belo Horizonte-Minas Gerais, BRA	Brasil	Evaluation of the Older Adult Care Programme and examine the processes that led to the establishment of programme	Mixed-methods evaluation study	Patients and clinicians	$n = 1980$ patients $n = 9$ PMC health districts' focus groups	Ageing population
Bussu <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Integrated care case (Disintegrated care) lessons from east London	UK	Analyse of the perceptions of health and social care professionals working within acute and community settings in the three East London municipalities and their experience of integrated care	Qualitative evaluation study	Clinicians	Locality A: $n = 36$ Locality B: $n = 22$ Locality C: $n = 23$	Patients using primary care

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**Table 2.**  
Descriptive of selected health and social care initiatives

Table 2.

Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
Camny <i>et al.</i> (2017)	Developing a Palliative Radiation Oncology Service Line: The Integration of Advance Care Planning in Subspecialty Oncologic Care	United States	Examine a new multidisciplinary model of care in palliative radiation oncology with contributions of the palliative radiation oncology social worker	Descriptive study	Patients <i>n</i> = 26 patients	Palliative care patients	
Chng <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Implementing social prescribing in primary care in areas of high socio-economic deprivation: process evaluation of the "Deep End" community links worker programme (LWP)	UK	Evaluate the implementation of the link worker programme in the seven intervention practices and explore the extent to which the programme was integrated into routine practice	Qualitative evaluation study	Clinicians <i>n</i> = 31 service providers and key stakeholders (focus groups) <i>n</i> = 57 service providers (online survey) <i>n</i> = 14 services providers (depth interview with Lead GPs and community link workers) <i>n</i> = 19 Lead GPs, community link workers and practice managers (end-of-evaluation interviews)		Adults with multimorbidity
Collins <i>et al.</i> (2017)	Integrated human immunodeficiency virus care and service engagement amongst people living with HIV (PLHIV) who use drugs in a setting with a community-wide treatment as prevention initiative: A qualitative study in Vancouver, Canada	Canada	Generate insights into how the Dr. Peter Centre's (DPC) integrated services model influences access to, and retention in, HIV care amongst structurally vulnerable PLHIV who use drugs	Qualitative evaluation study	Patients <i>n</i> = 30 patients		Patients suffering from human immunodeficiency virus and substance use problems
Davenport <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Impact of occupational therapy in an integrated adult social care service: Audit of Therapy Outcome Measure (TOM) Findings	UK	Demonstrate occupational therapy outcomes in adult social care through use of the Therapy Outcome Measure findings	Cross-sectional study	Patients <i>n</i> = 70 patients		Adults (wide range) with chronic conditions which reduces occupational performance

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Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
De Vries McClintock <i>et al.</i> (2016)	Diabetes and depression care: A randomised controlled pilot trial	United States	Carry out a randomised controlled pilot trial to test the effectiveness of an integrated intervention for Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) and depression incorporating patients' financial, social and emotional needs using patient prioritized planning (enhanced intervention) versus an integrated intervention alone (basic intervention)	Randomised controlled trial	Patients <i>n</i> = 78 patients		Adults with multimorbidity
Doheny <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Impact of integrated care on trends in the rate of emergency department visits amongst older persons in Stockholm County: an interrupted time series analysis	Sweden	Investigate the potential association between the implementation of an integrated care (IC) system and the changes in the trends of ED visits in Norrtälje	Quasi-experimental cross-sectional study (interrupted time analysis)	Patients	Population-based registers covering the entire population of Stockholm County from Region Stockholm Healthcare	Ageing population
Eastwood <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Designing Initiatives for Vulnerable Families: From Theory to Design in Sydney, Australia	Australia	Evaluate the Healthy Homes and Neighbourhoods (HHAN) initiative, focussing on the care coordination component of the programme, using a critical realist case study approach	Pilot realistic evaluation study	Patients and clinicians <i>n</i> = 86 patients	Administrative Database <i>n</i> = 12, patients <i>n</i> = 21 staff and services providers (NGOs, GPs, NSW Department of Education, Family and Children Services)	Children and families who live in disadvantaged communities
Elston <i>et al.</i> (2019)	Improving Hospital at Home for frail older people: insights from a quality improvement project to achieve change across regional health and social care sectors	UK	Evaluate the impact of a holistic linkworkers on service users' well-being, activation and frailty, and their use of health and social care services and the associated costs	Economic evaluation	Patients	Population <i>n</i> = 86 patients	Ageing population
Ismail <i>et al.</i> (2020)	A pilot study of an integrated mental health, social and medical model for diabetes care in an inner-city setting: Three Dimensions for Diabetes (3DFD)	UK	Test whether 3DFD was associated with greater change in glycaemic control, other diabetes-related biomedical outcomes and in healthcare	Randomised controlled trial	Patients <i>n</i> = 292 control group <i>n</i> = 277 intervention group		Adults with multimorbidity
Janse <i>et al.</i> (2016)	Do integrated care structures foster processes of integration? A quasi-experimental study in frail elderly care from the professional perspective	Netherlands	Measure integration processes in the delivery of integrated care as perceived by professionals	Quasi-experimental study with a control group	Clinicians <i>n</i> = 120 control group <i>n</i> = 60 intervention group		Ageing population

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Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
Mateo-Abad <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Impact of the CareWell integrated care model for older patients with multimorbidity: a quasi-experimental controlled study in the Basque Country	Spain	Evaluate, in the Basque Country, the impact of the CareWell integrated care model for older patients with multimorbidity, using quantitative and qualitative techniques	Quasiexperimental controlled study	Patients <i>n</i> = 99 control group <i>n</i> = 101 intervention group		Ageing population
Melvin <i>et al.</i> (2019)	The Open Arms Healthcare Centre's Integrated Human Immunodeficiency Virus Care Services Model	United States	To determine if an integrated model of human immunodeficiency virus care resulted in increased linkage to care, increased treatment adherence rates, increased retention rates and improved viral load suppression	Quasiexperimental cross-sectional research design	Patients <i>n</i> = 231 patients		Patients suffering from human immunodeficiency virus
Moon <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Addressing Emotional Wellness During the COVID-19 Pandemic: the Role of Promotores in Delivering Integrated Mental Health Care and Social Services	United States	Investigate the role of promoters de salud (community health workers) in providing community-led and integrated mental health care and social services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic	Pilot evaluation study (retrospectively)	Patients <i>n</i> = 776 patients (demographic analysis) <i>n</i> = 57 patients enrolled in the Emotional Wellness programme		Working-class Black and Latino communities
Moretti <i>et al.</i> (2017)	From the hospital towards social reintegration: the support path for people with severe acquired brain injury (ABI) and their families	Italy	Analyse the elements of the design of a programme tailored for patients with severe acquired brain injury	Descriptive study	Patients <i>n</i> = 18 patients		Patients with severe acquired brain injury
Murphy <i>et al.</i> (2017)	Health benefits for health and social care clients attending an integrated Health and Social Care day unit (IHSCD): a before-and-after pilot study with a comparator group	UK	Identify whether attendance at the unit affected selected outcomes of functional mobility, number of prescribed medications and physical and psychological well-being	Evaluation study with a pre and post design	Patients <i>n</i> = 33 control group (comparator) <i>n</i> = 30 intervention group		All age groups, individuals experiencing multimorbidity
Pauley <i>et al.</i> (2016)	Evaluation of an Integrated Cluster Care and Supportive Housing Model for Unstably Housed Persons Using the Shelter System	Canada	Evaluate the feasibility of an integrated cluster care and supportive housing model	Pilot evaluation study	Patients and clinicians <i>n</i> = 212 patients' usage data (retrospective) <i>n</i> = 31 (sub sample)		Homeless, underhoused, and marginalised individuals with difficulties in accessing health and support services
							(continued) <i>n</i> = 20 staff members

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Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
Pernan <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Effectiveness of a health and social care integration programme for home-dwelling frail older persons in Argentina	Argentina	Evaluate the effectiveness of a pilot on health and social integration aimed at reducing hospital admission rate of the participants compared to the current best standard of care	Quasi-experimental study with a concurrent control group	Patients  <i>n</i> = 121 control group <i>n</i> = 121 intervention group	<i>n</i> = 121 control group <i>n</i> = 121 intervention group	Ageing population
Pruitt <i>et al.</i> (2018)	Expenditure Reductions Associated with a Social Service Referral Program	United States	Examine the association between met social needs in a social referral programme	Economic evaluation study	Patients  <i>n</i> = 1,521 patients (all social needs met) <i>n</i> = 1,197 patients (no social needs met)	<i>n</i> = 1,521 patients (all social needs met) <i>n</i> = 1,197 patients (no social needs met)	Ageing population
Sadarangani <i>et al.</i> (2019)	A Mixed-Methods Evaluation of a Nurse-Led Community-Based Health Home (CBHH) for Ethnically Diverse Older Adults With Multimorbidity in the Adult Day Health Setting	United States	Evaluate outcomes associated with the CBHH model, changes in social and emotional aspects of health after 12 months in the programme and explore the perspectives of key stakeholders	Exploratory study with a sequential mixed-methods design	Patients and clinicians  <i>n</i> = 126 patients (EMRs*) <i>n</i> = 40 staff, services providers and caregivers	<i>n</i> = 126 patients (EMRs*) <i>n</i> = 40 staff, services providers and caregivers	Ageing population
Sohbanpal <i>et al.</i> (2017)	The impact of a social prescribing service on patients in primary care: a mixed-methods evaluation	UK	Present data about the effect of the service on the people referred and the implementation of the service from a patient perspective	Controlled evaluation study	Patients  <i>n</i> = 302 control group <i>n</i> = 184 intervention group	<i>n</i> = 302 control group <i>n</i> = 184 intervention group	Patients in primary care
Spoorenberg (2019)	Health-Related Problems and Changes After 1 Year as Assessed With the Geriatric ICF Core Set (GeriafICS) in Community-Living Older Adults Who Are Frail Receiving Person-Centred and Integrated Care From Embrace	Netherlands	Assess the prevalence and severity of health-related problems and the change after receiving individual care and support from Embrace programme	Evaluation study with a pre and post design	Patients  <i>n</i> = 136 patients	<i>n</i> = 136 patients	Ageing population
Talbot <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Delivering an Integrated Adolescent Multi-Agency Specialist Service to families with adolescents at risk of care: Outcomes and learning from the first ten years	UK	Describe the Adolescent Multi-Agency Specialist Service (AMASS) approach to adolescent edge of care which aims to attend to the needs of both the family and their allocated social worker	Pilot evaluation study with a pre and post design	Patients  <i>n</i> = 153 families	<i>n</i> = 153 families	Young people at risks of entering foster care systems

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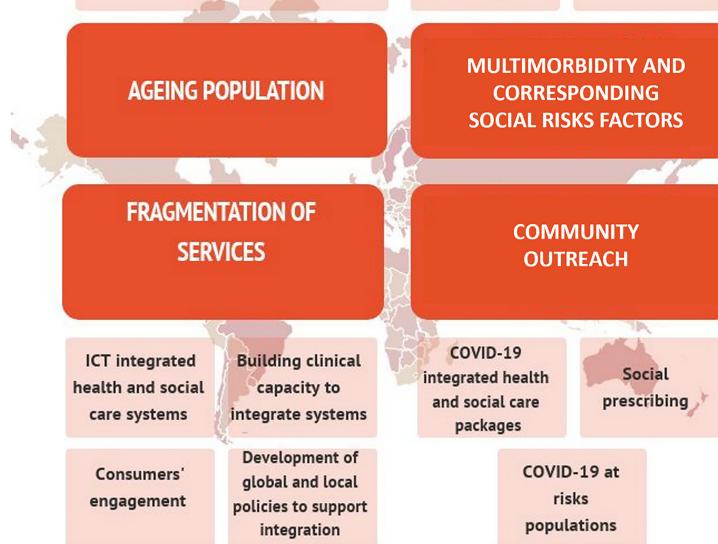
Authors and year	Title	Country	Aim of study	Study design	Participants	Total number of participants	Target population
Terracciano <i>et al.</i> (2021)	The effect of community nurse on mortality and hospitalisation in a group of over-75 older adults: a nested case-control study	Italy	Assess the causal association of an integrated social and health programme including social intervention with the community nurse activity	Nested case-control study	Patients	<i>n</i> = 1,031 patients	Ageing population
Tong <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Effect of an integrated care model for pre-frail and frail older people living in community	China	Examine the effectiveness of an integrated care model supported by frailty assessment, personalised care plans and coordinated care services as arranged by community centres for older people in pre-frail and frail condition	Controlled, pair-matched evaluation study with a pre and post design	Patients	<i>n</i> = 270 control group <i>n</i> = 183 intervention group	Ageing population
VanDijk <i>et al.</i> (2016)	Effects of an integrated neighbourhood approach on older people's (health-related) quality of life and well-being	Netherlands	Evaluate the effects of integrated neighbourhood approach on older people's (health-related) quality of life and well-being life and well-being	Quasi-experimental study with a pre, post and follow-up design	Patients	<i>n</i> = 186 control group <i>n</i> = 186 intention to treat group <i>n</i> = 186 intervention group	Community-dwelling older people
Vestjens <i>et al.</i> (2019)	Cost-effectiveness of a proactive, integrated primary care approach for community-dwelling frail older persons	Netherlands	Evaluated the Finding and Follow-up of Frail older persons (FF) approach, which aims to maintain or improve older people's well-being and is implemented by part of the Dutch general practitioners (GPs)	Matched quasi-experimental design with one pre and post design	Patients	<i>n</i> = 232 control group <i>n</i> = 232 intervention group	Ageing population
White <i>et al.</i> (2021)	Bridging the gap: A new, integrated early intervention service for young people with complex mental health issues	Australia	Describe the young people's pathway through headspace Early Intervention Teams (hEIT) including clinical outcomes, services delivered and experience of service, viability, development and retainment of the hEIT service and similar models going forward	A retrospective study of file audit of the electronic medical records	Patients	<i>n</i> = 26 patients	Young population at risk of developing mental health problems
Wong <i>et al.</i> (2020)	Effectiveness of a health-social partnership programme for discharged non-frail older adults: a pilot study	China	To test a community-based health-social partnership programme to support non-frail older adults living with optimum quality of life in their own environment after hospital discharge	Randomised controlled trial	Patients	<i>n</i> = 38 control group <i>n</i> = 27 intervention group	Ageing population
Zarnegar <i>et al.</i> (2017)	A clinical evaluation of a community-based rehabilitation and social intervention programme for patients with chronic pain with associated multimorbidity	UK	Evaluate a community-based rehabilitation and social intervention programme which employs the components of the King's Fund 'House of Care' model	Quantitative evaluation study with a pre and post design	Patients	<i>n</i> = 24 patients	Patients with chronic pain and multimorbidity

Table 2.

# Integrated Health and Social Care

Social care in the context of integrated care

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**Figure 2.**  
Grid of integrated health and social care scopes

(Doheny *et al.*, 2020; Janse *et al.*, 2016) provided practical support (e.g. paid carers, home carers, home nurse and domestic helpers) and home space adaptation as part of their social care package. One initiative (Pruitt *et al.*, 2018) provided telephone referral services (only) staffed with representatives who have personal experiences with the social service system. Six initiatives (Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020; Spoorenberg *et al.*, 2019; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Wong *et al.*, 2020; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Tong *et al.*, 2020) included an intensive service coordination component (outsourcing or establishing connections with existing services) along with capacity building to increase older adults' capability to manage their conditions.

*Social care targeting multimorbidity and corresponding social risks factors.* In total, 14 selected initiatives aimed at targeting health and social multimorbidity and corresponding risk factors ( $n = 14$ ). Two initiatives (Melvin and Gipson, 2019; Collins *et al.*, 2017) addressed the health and social needs of (1) people living with HIV. Both provided social care referrals to services (transportation, emergency food assistance, housing and legal service) and delivery of social programmes (music, art and recreational outing) and care coordination, although only one of them provided in-house low-threshold nursing care services (e.g. health assessments, medication assistance, support and symptom management) (Collins *et al.*, 2017).

Three initiatives focussed on integrated health and social care for (2) people in rehabilitation (Moretti, 2017; Davenport, 2021; Zarnegar *et al.*, 2017). An initiative to address

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chronic conditions and reduce occupational performance in adults was undertaken with the assistance of occupational therapists (Davenport, 2021); an initiative that used social workers to accompany people with acute brain injury (ABI) and their families for six months to conduct a support path, from hospital discharge to home care and social reintegration (Moretti, 2017) and an initiative that focussed on pain management, that included artistic, musical and horticultural activities, visits and outings as well as supporting social referrals and applications (e.g. for disability benefits for pensions or looking for employment) (Zarnegar *et al.*, 2017).

There were two initiatives that developed integrated social care for (3) families and children experiencing vulnerability and disadvantages (Eastwood *et al.*, 2019; Talbot *et al.*, 2020). Three initiatives provided integrated health and social care for (4) people with mental health and other co-occurring conditions (de Vries McClintock *et al.*, 2016; Ismail *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021), utilising a combination of interventions delivered by health and non-health professionals to support adherence to treatment and to assist with application to receive social welfare. Social care initiatives that targeted (5) social risks factors such as intimate partner violence (Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019) and initiatives targeting housing instability (Van Dijk *et al.*, 2016; Pauley *et al.*, 2016) have also been implemented. Finally, one integrated social care focussed on (6) end-of-life care for terminal patients and their families led by social workers (Cammy, 2017).

*Social care as patching fragmentation of systems.* Of the 33 initiatives selected, 3 aimed at improving fragmentation in health and social care systems (Bussu and Marshall, 2020; Murphy *et al.*, 2017; Alexander *et al.*, 2018). These included a service integration training package targeting clinicians' literacy around social services when conducting early interventions with children and their families (Alexander *et al.*, 2018); an initiative that identified collaborative approaches and services for all sectors of society and age groups (Murphy *et al.*, 2017) in the context of integrated care in the UK; and a novel system introducing care navigators who support complex adults and help them navigate the health and social care system (Bussu and Marshall, 2020).

*Aim 2. What is the level of integration regarding governance and partnerships, workforce and staffing, financing and payment and data-sharing use in the context of integrated health and social care?*

We reviewed the literature for evidence that health and social care are being integrated beyond the point of pilots or time-limited programmes and to what extend the initiatives are fostering joint governance and decision-making, integrated workforce and staffing, integrated financing systems and data-sharing and use. *Supplementary File* outlines the data extracted by category for each initiative in detail.

Of the 33 initiatives reported in the reviewed literature, 11 were jointly led, by either a combination of tertiary education (universities and research centres) organisations and primary health networks or public health systems (hospitals and community/day health centres) and/or non-for-profit organisations (Terracciano *et al.*, 2021; Moretti, 2017; Bussu and Marshall, 2020; Van Dijk *et al.*, 2016; Spoorenberg *et al.*, 2019; Ismail *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019; Zarnegar *et al.*, 2017; Sohanpal *et al.*, 2017; Alexander *et al.*, 2018). In total, 20 initiatives were led by primary health network or hospital systems (Aredes *et al.*, 2021; Pruitt *et al.*, 2018; Collins *et al.*, 2017; Davenport, 2021; Perman *et al.*, 2021; Moon *et al.*, 2021; Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020; Eastwood *et al.*, 2020; de Vries McClintock *et al.*, 2016; Talbot *et al.*, 2020; Vestjens *et al.*, 2019; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Melvin and Gipson, 2019; Wong *et al.*, 2020; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Tong *et al.*, 2020; Doheny *et al.*, 2020; Chng *et al.*, 2021; Janse *et al.*, 2016; Murphy *et al.*, 2017), and only one initiative did not report a leading organisation/s (Pauley *et al.*, 2016).

*Integrated governance and partnerships.* In total, 21 initiatives reported supporting and expanding integrated governance and partnerships by either creating professional networks with experts from other organisations or development of steering and advisory committees (Aredes *et al.*, 2021; Collins *et al.*, 2017; Cammy, 2017; Moretti, 2017; Bussu and Marshall, 2020; Van Dijk *et al.*, 2016; Moon *et al.*, 2021; Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020; Eastwood *et al.*, 2020; Talbot *et al.*, 2020; Vestjens *et al.*, 2019; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Wong *et al.*, 2020; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Doheny *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019; Janse *et al.*, 2016; Zarnegar *et al.*, 2017; Murphy *et al.*, 2017; Alexander *et al.*, 2018).

*Integrated health and social care roles.* In total, 27 initiatives reporting having health and social care staff integrated in practice, with a strong role description and mapping, along with clear integrated governance (Aredes *et al.*, 2021; Terracciano *et al.*, 2021; Pruitt *et al.*, 2018; Cammy, 2017; Moretti, 2017; Bussu and Marshall, 2020; Perman *et al.*, 2021; Pauley *et al.*, 2016; Moon *et al.*, 2021; Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020; Eastwood *et al.*, 2020; Talbot *et al.*, 2020; Vestjens *et al.*, 2019; Spoorenberg *et al.*, 2019; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Ismail *et al.*, 2020; Wong *et al.*, 2020; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Tong *et al.*, 2020; Doheny *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019; Chng *et al.*, 2021; Janse *et al.*, 2016; Murphy *et al.*, 2017; Sohanpal *et al.*, 2017; Alexander *et al.*, 2018).

*Integrated financing systems.* In total, 17 initiatives were designed with dedicated and sustainable funding beyond the scope of their research (Aredes *et al.*, 2021; Bussu and Marshall, 2020; Davenport, 2021; Perman *et al.*, 2021; Van Dijk *et al.*, 2016; Moon *et al.*, 2021; Eastwood *et al.*, 2020; Talbot *et al.*, 2020; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Ismail *et al.*, 2020; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Doheny *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021; Chng *et al.*, 2021; Janse *et al.*, 2016; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019; Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020). This was primarily sourced from health systems with ongoing service funding.

*Data-sharing and use.* In addition, only 11 out of 33 initiatives reported the use of data-sharing and the integration of health and social records as part of their scope of practice (Pruitt *et al.*, 2018; Cammy, 2017; Davenport, 2021; Mateo-Abad *et al.*, 2020; Spoorenberg *et al.*, 2019; Elston *et al.*, 2019; Melvin and Gipson, 2019; Sadarangani *et al.*, 2019; Doheny *et al.*, 2020; White *et al.*, 2021; Aboutanos *et al.*, 2019).

## Discussion

We sought to undertake a narrative review of recent literature (2016–2021) to explore current and evolving definitions, dialogues and novel approaches to social care in the context of integrated health and social care. Our review identified 33 integrated health and social initiatives and mapped four types: social care as community outreach dialogues, social care for supporting ageing population, social care targeting multimorbidity and corresponding social risks factors and social care as patching fragmentation of systems and fragmentation of systems. The UK is still leading the development and reporting of national policies and the implementation and evaluation of integrated health and social care initiatives, which are in line with previous reports (Amelung *et al.*, 2021). This suggests that the generation of integrated care policies (dating back the 2000) in the UK has had ripple effects that are now evidence in funding opportunities and service delivery (Amelung *et al.*, 2021) both of which are crucial pillars for full integration of health and social care.

Whilst the most common conceptualisations of integrated health and social care is still manifested in services and programmes for older adults, there is an emerging and significant trend of similar approaches used to address social and health multimorbidity and other social risks factors targeted at vulnerable groups beyond the elderly.

Importantly, the literature we reviewed showed several recent innovations in integrating health and social care. We found integrated health and social care responses to COVID-19 are emerging, primarily in the USA and the UK in the past year and that these are innovative not only in terms of breadth and definition of social care, but also in scale, funding and governance.

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Another key innovation is the introduction of the concept of “social prescribing” as a formal service provision deliverable (using service designs and methods taken from “medical prescribing”) included in health plans for consumers (and carers) which also gained traction in 2020 and 2021 (Chng *et al.*, 2021; Sohanpal *et al.*, 2017). This demonstrates that dialogues and understanding around social care has certainly shifted and is now evolving into a more discussed, established and recognised as valid “model of care” (Amelung *et al.*, 2021).

Moreover, health and social care systems have now started to explore the “bigger picture” and dive and explore “why” are the systems fragmented and “how” can this be addressed, considering the perspectives of medical staff, clinicians, frontline social workers, decision and policies makers, consumers and carers.

Unfortunately, our results indicated that only five initiatives demonstrated “full integration” by reporting “supportive and expanding integrated governance and partnerships”, “integrated workforce and staffing”, “integrated financing and payment” and “integrated data-sharing and use”. Of note, is that data-sharing is still uncommon and the least developed strategy in the reviewed initiatives. This is a recurrent challenge many systems have faced both between sectors (e.g. social vs health care systems) and intra-sector (e.g. within the health system) (Wodchis *et al.*, 2020). Future directions should include the development of global and local policies that foster the integration of health and social care data-sharing, along with dedicated funding to support the development of information technology (IT) systems, IT staff and a dedicated unit that can support access to these data not only for internal quality improvement, but also for advancing knowledge through research whilst ensuring the confidentiality of consumers (Wodchis *et al.*, 2020).

Several limitations of this study must be noted. This study utilised only studies written in English language and consequently may have missed health and social care initiatives conducted (and written) in non-English speaking countries and in particular low- and middle-income countries. In addition, this review did not assess the studies using a quality assessment approach (sampling, quality of instruments and research procedures) mainly because our primary goal was to map “definitions of social care”, and its evolution overtime, rather than critically analyse their effectiveness.

Strength of this study includes the use of multiple reviewers for article screening and selection, and the use of an extraction tool, in an attempt to conduct a review with a more systematic approach. In addition, this review also provides with an understanding on how well these initiatives are integrating and fostering systems and that enhance integrated health and social care which is novel.

## Conclusion

Social care approaches are expanding beyond assisting the elderly, and these models have been used to outreach vulnerable communities, address social and health system fragmentation and to respond to social and health multimorbidity and other social risks factors. The UK, through their mature policy framework, is delivering and leading most of the published work in integrated health and social care initiatives worldwide.

Integrated governance and partnership and health and social care staff integrated were the more used components in the initiatives reviewed. Structures to achieve full integration, including global and policy generation are still needed, and are particularly essential to support sustainable integrated financing and payments and integrated data-sharing amount multidisciplinary teams.

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## Supplementary File

**Table A1.**  
Social care scopes and integration

Authors and year	Care	Social care	Health care	Organisation's or body supporting/leading the system integration	Mode	By whom	Supporting and expanding governance and partnerships	Integrated staff and workforce	Integrated financing system	Data sharing and use of integrated records
Abouanous <i>et al.</i> 2019	Yes	Voluntary, trauma-informed services offered are the following: (1) safety planning, including assistance in getting a protective order if requested; (2) short-term supportive counseling, referrals, and accompaniment to service providers and the legal system; (3) coordination of care between law enforcement, courts, sexual, and DV pro-gangs, legal aid, and other community-based resources; (4) secure lodging for patients and their families when in Richmond for medical treatment; (5) follow-up services, as requested needed; and (6) crisis funds for patient needs, such as for transportation. Project Empower also connect IPV patients with interdisciplinary services already offered by VCU health system including insurance or financial assistance for health care, mental health services, an addiction clinic, and obstetrician-gynecologist care. Apart from patient screening, intervention, and referral, the staff work to build rapport and foster a sustained relationship post-discharge until the patients' needs are met, or they no longer wish to continue services.	ED and trauma units to other in-hospital units and clinics including women health and obstetrics.	Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Level I trauma center has developed a multi-tier intervention for VCU's hospital-based injury and violence prevention programs (IVPP), historically focusing on youth violence, burns, head trauma, and distracted driving. Hospital wide adopted intervention	Face-to-face.	IPV program coordinator, lived experience program peer advocate, and Master of Social Work interns from VCU Health.	There is a partnership between VCU Sexual Assault Response Team, the Richmond Fatality Review Team, the neighboring county strangulation working groups, and is actively involved in the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance and other statewide groups	1130 clinical providers were trained for IPV screening and referral	An integrated hospital EMR-IVPP Recidip database was created	Funded by local foundations grants and a Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) grant. Project Empower addresses the immediate need of IPV patients, but is limited in its resources for long-term follow-up and comprehensive community wrap-around approaches
Alexander <i>et al.</i> 2018	Yes			Service integration initiative. The workshops to	Not applicable	The programme was facilitated by	Not applicable	The program brought multidisciplinary teams	NR*	NR*

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Arendes <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	Social Assistance Reference Centre offers a wide range of services for people of all ages, with particular emphasis on protecting and strengthening relationships between family members and guaranteeing human rights. It offers practical support by assigning home paid carers	Sistema Único de Saúde (SUS) Health Centre offers comprehensive set of primary health care services to defined communities	National coordination municipal and local hubs for community engagement. Local hubs known as Social Assistance Reference Centres.	Family Health Teams (ESF) are responsible for referral, coordinating different SUS health services and operating as a bridge between the health system and local communities
					A partnership between Belo Horizonte municipal and local hubs of departments of health and social assistance. Carers are hired through a contract between the municipality and a non-governmental Civi Society Organisation (Organiza da Sociedade Civil OSC in Portuguese)

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Buss <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	Care navigators were introduced. These are non-clinicians who support complex adults and help them navigate the health and social care system. It ensures that patients receive adequate support to attend hospital appointments and have access to the benefits and care they are entitled to. At a pilot stage, each community team had a dedicated social worker co-located with healthcare professionals.	With NHS foundation trusts and local authorities, three East London boroughs (Brent, Hackney and Tower Hamlets) formed a consortium to establish eight GP clusters. Community teams aimed at improving coordination between nurses, therapists and social workers and were envisaged to play a crucial role in reducing hospital admissions. EPCs and integrated Care Teams (ICTs) comprise a distinctiveness of the model. ODNs and therapists, OTs and Physiotherapists. Locally ICTs also include community matrons. In each locality, a Rapid Response (RR) team was established as part of the admission avoidance strategy. RR is a nurse-led service that delivers support and urgent care services in the patient's home to avoid non-elective hospital admissions. RR team is based within the hospital but managed by community services Trusts	Face-to-face; outreach	Care navigators (e.g. social workers in the pilot phase)	The integrated care programme brought together Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), Clinical Commissioning Fund (CCFs), Healthwatch, NHS Trusts and local authorities of the three municipalities	Rapid Response (RR) team, and Discharge to Assess (D2A) teams, and integrated community teams work collaboratively to provide holistic care to patients in the community	Funding from NHSE (£20,000 initially, later supplemented with a further £90,000) was given.
Cannay <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	A palliative care and hospice-trained clinical worker utilises elicited skills to build rapport with patients and their families through active listening, sensitive and challenging end-of-life discussions with clarity and compassion. The social work team member responds to patient and family's feelings as they relate to their past experiences with previous family losses including prior involvement with palliative and hospice care. Interventions may include connection to services to prevent caregiver breakdown, education on signs and symptoms of disease progression and assessment of high-risk bereavement concerns	Palliative radiation oncology physician expert palliative care, acute care nurse practitioner, registered dietitian, and registered dietician	New consultants and patients under active treatment	Social workers	Palliative teams established biannually	The University of Pennsylvania palliative radiation oncology team includes a full-time palliative care physician who integrates cancer into their routine clinical practice in the community. This fellowship in training in palliative care, nurse practitioner with advanced certification in acute care, registered nurse, licensed clinical social worker with palliative care and hospice experience, and registered dietitian	NR*

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Chung <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	<p>The links worker programme (LWP) was expected to operate at three levels: patient, practice, and community; at the patient level, practices were to set up referral systems so that GPs and practice nurses could refer patients who they thought would benefit from engagement with community link practitioners (CLPs) for social care work; at the practice level, CLPs were also expected to act as agents of change, promoting the ethos of social prescribing among all staff by, for example, enabling activities to support staff well-being, activities to develop shared learning and awareness about community resources, gathering intelligence about local resources and solving problems through the recruitment of staff, and at the community level, CLPs were expected to build networks and cultivate relationships with local community organisations, develop referral pathways and multidisciplinary resolution of problems, organise shared learning events to consolidate new and existing community linkages</p> <p>GP practices and practice nurses providing health care</p> <p>Practices in Glasgow funded by Scottish Government</p> <p>Faceto-face</p> <p>Community Link Practitioners</p> <p>NR*</p> <p>Each intervention practice had a full-time salaried CLP appointed, who was employed by a Scottish Government-funded third-sector organisation (the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland). The CLPs were selected by the programme manager and clinical lead, who also made the final decision on which practice assigning each CLP</p> <p>Each intervention practice had a full-time salaried CLP appointed, who was employed by a Scottish Government-funded third-sector organisation (the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland). The CLPs were selected by the programme manager and clinical lead, who also made the final decision on which practice assigning each CLP</p> <p>NR*</p> <p>Each intervention practice had a full-time salaried CLP appointed, who was employed by a Scottish Government-funded third-sector organisation (the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland). The CLPs were selected by the programme manager and clinical lead, who also made the final decision on which practice assigning each CLP</p> <p>Each intervention practice had a full-time salaried CLP appointed, who was employed by a Scottish Government-funded third-sector organisation (the Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland). The CLPs were selected by the programme manager and clinical lead, who also made the final decision on which practice assigning each CLP</p>
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Collins <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	The initiative provides low-threshold nursing care service (e.g. health assessments, medication assistance, support and symptom management) and social support and programmes (e.g. recreational therapy outings, karaoke). Residence and day health programme provide counselling services, including art and music therapies, and mental health resources and referrals. Day health programme provides, nutrient-dense meals twice daily, seven days per week, and residence provides clients with regular meals as snacks. Staff provide referrals to supportive and subsidised housing.	The DPC, a Vancouver-based HIV care service organization, employs an integrated services model and provides services to approximately 425 PLHIV annually	Face to face	Nurses	Adoption of comprehensive model to minimize barriers PLHIV who inject drugs face when accessing care services and consults with local decision-makers (e.g. policymakers, police) to increase awareness of the public health benefit of this approach
Davenport <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	Occupational interventions are aimed at maintaining self-care essential activities of daily living (ADL), falls prevention, moving and handling, dressing, eating, as well as house and specialist items provision or bed mobility adaptations and may be adaptations such as level access shower, stairs, through floor lifts and ramping, special seating provision and liaison with local housing services. Interventions can consist of telephone advice, or one or more visits depending on complexity	Rehabilitation or intermediate care service (primary care provision (primary care which are provided by the Trust).	Face-to-face	Occupational therapists	NR*

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de Vries-McInnoch <i>et al.</i> 2016	The basic intervention involved the interventionist collaborating with physicians to provide education, guideline-based treatment recommendations, and to monitor adherence and clinical outcomes. Key components of the basic intervention were: (1) an individualized program to improve adherence to oral hypoglycemics agents, exercise, pharmacologic agents, and (2) a group of physician treatment with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) management. Patients prioritized planning (PP) was introduced. The goal was to identify the priorities that were likely to influence adherence to treatment. Biomedical needs as well as financial, social, and emotional needs patients with T2DM and depressive symptoms. Participants received information about local resources (e.g., emergency shelter services, the Department of Public Welfare, utility services, Medicare and Medicaid, social security income).	Physicians' services provision aimed at diabetes and depression treatment	Physicians' practices in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Face-to-face	Interventionists	NR*	NR*	NR*

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Doheny <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	The 290 municipalities provide the social care services (i.e., home-help including both household and personal care services needed by older persons (regions and municipalities are independent, as they both collect taxes to finance most care services))	IC was initiated as a shared project between Norrtälje municipality and Region Stockholm	NR*	Hospital-based care teams	The Norrtälje model was set-up to provide care to the entire population of the municipality. The intervention had its base at the hospital and set out to join the efforts of health and social care services, through aligning medical documentation, care planning, rehabilitation, preventative care, home-help, home-care, health care and PHC services. Care teams were created with specific purposes to facilitate inter-professional group meetings, for training and to improve service delivery.	Care teams were created with specific purposes to facilitate inter-professional group meetings, for training and to improve service delivery	A stimulus for the development of a shared information system to facilitate IC
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Eastwood <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	Sustained Nurse Home Visiting services for vulnerable mothers and their infants until 2 years using a tiered approach. Intensive wrap-around counselling models for high-risk mothers experiencing interpersonal violence, and with complex mental health and substance use problems. Prescribed and self-referred interventions for children with conduct disorder, depression, and alcohol use	Sydney Local Health District implemented an integrated care initiative for disadvantaged families in the Inner West region of New South Wales (NSW). The initiative, known as Healthy Homes and Neighborhoods (HHAN), is designed as a cross-agency care-coordination network for disadvantaged families. At the level of service providers, the NSW Government, Australia	Face-to-face	HHAN consists of five senior clinical nurse consultants and two senior social workers. Two service-providers are based in the place-based multiagency hub in Redfern. Two service-providers are based in the community centre in Marrickville, and one service-provider is based in the community centre in Glebe (NSW).	In 2014, collaborative work commenced on an Inne-West Interagency Child Health and Well-being plan. Following the launch in 2014 of a New South Wales (NSW) integrated care initiative, the service-provider covers the families enrolled in HHAN who are located between the two areas. All service-providers work independently, however, come together weekly for case reviews, intake meetings, and business meetings	SHHD provides independent budget for this program.	N/A
				GPs, community and social care staff in multidisciplinary teams; hospital and community	face-to-face; outreach	Co-ordinations (Social Prescribing)	South Devon	
				The Well-being Co-ordinator service uses 12 key voluntary organisations, a multi-disciplinary team, and local communities across the area. Co-ordinators are based in a variety of settings, including NHS premises. The Co-ordinator works with the individual for up to 12 weeks to enable them to take action to achieve their goals. This includes resilience-focused coaching and practical support and advocacy to navigate and access local health, social and economic services.	In Torbay and South Devon. Integrated Care Organisation, a multi-disciplinary team, commissioned a SP service from the voluntary sector to be integrated into its five locally hubs, alongside primary care, community, and social services	This study focuses on the South Devon service commissioned by Torbay and South Devon Foundation Trust and managed by Teignbridge CVS, an umbrella voluntary sector organisation	Data on the use of health and social care services were collected from the clinical IT systems 12 months prior to and after the date of each referral. It included the following services: accident & emergency (A&E) and minor injury units (MUI), in-patient, outpatient, community service (ie, respite, day hospital, physiotherapy and nursing and social service contacts and length of stay (inpatients only) and GP contacts. Contacts outside the clinical commissioning group (CCG) boundary were also included	

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		No	Social interventions lead by a community support worker if social problems were recorded involved advocacy in housing, debt problems, childcare, domestic violence, immigration and/or signposting to employment training. These were integrated into their routine diabetes care by route-locating. 3DFD clinics were co-located with the diabetes MDT clinics via joint consultations with the key diabetes healthcare professionals or weekly feedback at the generic diabetes MDT meetings. The 3DFD liaison psychiatrist and/or community worker met the participant in weekly-to-monthly appointments, depending on their needs, for a period of up to 6 months	Research Centre for Mental Health at the South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust and LOPPN, King's College London. 3DFD was set in Lambeth and Southwark, London, UK	Face-to-face	The 3DFD team consisted of a full-time consultant liaison psychiatrist and two full-time community support workers from a third sector (or non-governmental organization), voluntary organization, Thames Reach, that provided social welfare	NR*	NR*
Ismail <i>et al.</i> 2020		Yes	A multidisciplinary diabetes team (MDT), which included a general practitioner (GP), diabetes diabetologist, diabetes specialist nurse and dietitian in three settings of increasing severity: primary, intermediate and secondary care for diabetes. Any diabetes care by professionals from the diabetes MDT in Lambeth and Southwark could refer adult individuals to 3DFD via a paper or online referral form. Each referral was discussed and triaged at weekly 3DFD team meetings attended by the psychiatrist and community worker and allocated to the liaison psychiatrists (if the referral indicated pressing safety concerns or presence of multiple psychiatric morbidities). For a diagnostic assessment and initiation and monitoring of psychopharmacology, assessment for psychological therapy	Research Centre for Mental Health at the South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust and LOPPN, King's College London. 3DFD was set in Lambeth and Southwark, London, UK	Face-to-face	The 3DFD team consisted of a full-time consultant liaison psychiatrist and two full-time community support workers from a third sector (or non-governmental organization), voluntary organization, Thames Reach, that provided social welfare	NR*	NR*
Jansen <i>et al.</i> 2016			Primary Care Practices (PCPs) is a cooperative of a hospital, nursing home, the three largest home-care organizations, a mental health organisation allied to health practices and elderly patient, informal care and volunteer associations. Home-care organisations were important networks for patients as they provide various services in the elderly patient homes through small community-based teams consisting of a community nurse, general	GP and case managers.	A local cooperative of PCPs, initiated, developed, and implemented the Walkerton Integrated Care Model (WICM)	Face-to-face	Case workers, community nurse, general and specialized nurses and domestic helpers	Small community-based team consisting of a community nurse, general and specialized nurses and domestic helpers

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Mateo-Abad <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	The Care Well integrated care model has defined a specific pathway for patients with multimorbidity (due to the usual primary care). It has several phases: identification of frail older patients, a comprehensive baseline assessment, definition of the therapeutic plan, programmed follow-up, patient stabilisation at home, integrated care during hospitalisation and coordinated hospital discharge. The pathway focuses on two main dimensions: 1) care coordination and communication between health providers and 2) patient empowerment and home-based care. A patient empowerment program, Kronikon, was defined. The Kronikon targets frail older patients and their carers.	Primary Care professionals, GPs and Primary Care (PC) nurses are responsible for most of the healthcare activities performed at the community and home levels, such as on demand consultation, home visits, drug prescription, patient education, or referral to the specialist or hospital care all recorded via electronic health records (EHR) and e-prescription availability and e-health call centre, staffed by trained nurses available to respond to phone calls from patients. A dedicated consultant can coordinate other specialists during the hospitalization period. A dedicated consultant can coordinate other specialists during the hospitalization period. Discharge is coordinated between the hospital liaison nurse and the PC nurse	The Department of Health of the Government of the Basque Country and the Basque health system, Osakidetza, has deployed a specific strategy to improve the structural integration and care coordination between patients and/or carers and healthcare practitioners via the Personal Health Folder was enabled and enriched as needed
		and specialised nurses and domestic helpers. Services range from around-the-clock supervision and/or specialised nursing care, home recovery/rehabilitation, home meal services, personal care and domestic assistance	A dedicated consultant can coordinate other specialists during the hospitalization period. Discharge is coordinated between the hospital liaison nurse and the PC nurse	The multidisciplinary teams include the following profiles: the General Worker, the Specialist, the Nurse Care Manager, and the e-Health Centre. The Nurse Care Manager is responsible not only for the specific case management but also supports the patients in the hospital, emergency department, and during the discharge process. The roles of the Reference Internist and the Hospital Liaison Nurse are reinforced

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Melvin <i>et al.</i> 2019	Yes	HIV care (primary health care) behavioral health care (mental and substance abuse screening and treatment), and adherence counselling (a pharmacist-led intervention)	The Open Arms Healthcare Center. Open Arms is a non-profit health care organization established in 2013 to provide innovative, holistic, health care services to underserved, uninsured, and underrepresented populations in Mississippi with emphasis on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex populations	Face-to-face; telephone	Case managers and patient navigators	NR*	NR*	NR*
						Data were collected and stored in Advanced MD, the Open Arms medical record system, and CAREware ( <a href="https://healthsag.org/programs/grants-management/careware/">https://healthsag.org/programs/grants-management/careware/</a> ), a free, electronic health and social support services information system for Ryan White HIV/AIDS		

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Moon <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	Health care service provision via Latino Health Access (LHA) services	Emotional wellness promoters conducted an exploratory session to uncover the priority issues for the participant and identify their most pressing social needs. Thereafter, participants engaged in group sessions and one-on-one sessions with a promoter by using a curriculum based on principles of narrative therapy. Promoters provided a range of interventions including education (e.g., gifting, medical, education, pencil, or training systems), peer support (abstaining, goal setting, identifying strengths and barriers, moral support, system support), leadership development (advocacy and individual coaching), and community building and engagement (group projects, arts, volunteering), addressing barriers to service use (application assistance, childcare, health care access, translation services, transportation arrangements), and referrals to legal, social, and health services.	Once COVID-19 struck, service delivery changed; group sessions converted via video conferencing, and one-on-one sessions were carried out over the telephone	Emotional Wellness Promoters (incorporating equity in a COVID-19 community mental health intervention in the Latino communities)	There is a strong collaboration between LHA, a non-profit public health organization in Santa Ana, California, and on-eon-one communities in Orange County. CARES ACT has provided	Nr*	
			After COVID-19, social needs proliferated and promoters assisted with COVID-19 financial relief, nutrition assistance, and affordable housing support					

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Moretti <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	Social workers accompanied acute brain injury (ABI) people and their families for six months to conduct a support path, from hospital discharge to home care and social reintegration. The criteria for the identification of families were agreed upon by the project team, with the following requirements being considered essential: high intensity care needed by the person and the family; the need to activate a variety of resources in the Marche Region	Hospital-based care Centre of Research and Services on Social and Health Integration (CRHS) of Polytechnic University of Marche, The San Giovanni Rehabilitation Institute, in Porto Ponente, Picena, Marche Region, and the Andrea Brail Injury Association of Marche and other voluntary organizations	Face-to-face	The social workers are implementing the support path, as well as the operators of social and healthcare services and volunteers. This activity favored a greater understanding of the needs of people with ABI and their families, as well as those of the organization, the working methods and problems of local services	A technical group consisting of representatives of the subject partner, defined the objectives of the project and the methods for learning and teaching, as well as the phases of work, while the creation of a working group comprised social workers acting during the social support path, which were attended by social and healthcare services and the families, favored the use of a shared vision of the situation, the definition of actions to be implemented and mode of work
Murphy <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	The intervention was admission to a purpose-built health and social care day facility to receive services provided there by a multidisciplinary team of health and social care professionals: nurses, doctors, social workers, physiotherapists, and occupational therapists. Depending on the needs identified, the client had access to an individually tailored programme of interventions. These could include assistance with activities of daily living such as personal cleaning, hair care, mobility and eating, emotional therapy, and physiotherapy as well as other nursing and social work interventions. The interventions provided depended on the clients' individual needs, however optimum nutrition was emphasized for all. The unit offered a programme of activities such as music groups, choirs, bands, quizzes, bingo, raffles, a sleepover project, No Smoking Day, and so on. All interventions were aimed at the client's family, as well as the staff, with the aim of keeping with normal practice	Integrated Health and Social Care Day unit (HSCDU)	Face-to-face	Nurses, social workers, and occupational therapists	The integrated care provision was a purpose-built HSCDU established in 2016. A multidisciplinary team of health and social care professionals who work collaboratively.

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Pankey <i>et al.</i> 2016	A new program has been developed that integrates cluster care and supportive housing models. In the supportive housing model, services and housing are combined in the same location. Integral to this approach is an interdisciplinary care team composed of staff at alternative housing sites, and support workers (PSW), as well as a care coordinator professional, as well as a care coordinator responsible for providing intensive case management. As the supportive housing model gathers people with similar needs into one location, the cluster care model can be easily implemented.	Yes	A primary care physician, a psychiatrist, a dedicated registered nurse (RN)	NR*	Face-to-face	Interdisciplinary care team composed of a primary care physician, a psychiatrist, a sheltered-emative housing staff, a dedicated registered nurse (RN), and a personal support worker (PSW), as well as a care coordinator	NR*	Both social and health care providers are part of an integral team	NR*
Perman <i>et al.</i> 2021	The counselors carried out a review of the social and biological situation in the patients' home, following a structure-process, evaluating different domains that include, family, medication, medication reconciliation, need for care and supervision, quality of care, and environmental safety.	Yes	Medical coordinators (family physicians, internists or geriatricians) were responsible for health care provision	Hospital Italiano de Buenos Aires	Face-to-face, outreach	Health and social care counsellor	NR*	Different professionals (health and social counsellors) were involved to achieve an interdisciplinary team with complementary skills. Together with medical coordinators (family physicians, internists or geriatricians) who had no assistance role in the programme, discussed each case from a broad perspective, integrating both clinical and social problems	Embedded in hospital funding
Pruitt <i>et al.</i> 2018	HealthConnections represents a new model of medical and social service coordination. Participants with unmet social needs have contacted the call centre-based program to obtain free referrals to a nationwide network of local, community-based public assistance programs. The maximum number of participants needs to available social services such as transportation, food programs, financial assistance for utilities, education programs, and housing services	Yes	Referrals for medical service provision is also available	HealthConnectio ns by WellCare Health Plans, Inc., a managed care organization (MCO)	Phone/service provision	HealthConnections employs a team of individual responsible for identifying, collecting, maintaining, and analyzing the database of community-based social service organizations. The call center staff is affiliated with community representatives who have personal experiences with the social service system. Program representatives follow up with the participants to confirm whether the social services met their social needs	NR*	The MCO program's database contained hundreds of organizations offering more than 60 categories of social services. The call center staff tracks each referral in the tracking database separately	NR*

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Sadarangani <i>et al.</i> 2019	yes	The Community-Based Health Home (CBHH) model was designed to incorporate Health Home required services (comprehensive care management, care coordination, health promotion, comprehensive transitional care/follow-up, patient and family support, and referral to community and social support services) using the existing infrastructure of the strength-based Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) model. The registered nurse navigators (RN-Ns) work with the ADHC IDTs (registered nurse, physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech pathologist, social worker and dietitian) in coordination with their physician. The RN-Ns' priority is to promptly address emerging crises within a high-risk caseload of patients. The RN-Ns also support the physician's care plan, coordinates with caregivers and other providers, and formulates patient-centered action plans to achieve and monitor participant health goals. The overall goal of CBHH is to stabilize individuals with social, medical, and psychological conditions and reduce unnecessary utilization of health services while improving quality of life and self-care capacity	ADHCs	Face-to-face	A full-time RN-N manages an average case load of 19 patients, providing an average 8 hours of high-intensity care to each participant on a weekly basis	U.S. health care delivery system, through the inclusion of a RN-within the ADHC IDT (A.E., 2016) that support integration of health and social services.	Existing infrastructure of the strength based ADHC model, which has existed since the early 1980s	RNs shared clinical data with providers, participated in clinical encounters across health care settings, recognised and intervened with respect to emerging clinical issues, and advocated on patient's behalf
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Shouval <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	The social prescribing service. Patients were referred to a social prescribing coordinator. At the first meeting with the coordinator, the patients discussed their personal circumstances and if possible, a mutually determined well-being action plan was devised. The action plan contained goals for improving patient well-being. In some cases, this involved referring patients to community organisations and services. If necessary, a volunteer was assigned to help the patient achieve their goal. Volunteers were contacted by the social prescribing coordinator to assist in the delivery of the service and provide additional support to clients. Patients could receive up to six sessions with the social prescribing coordinator and as many contacts with the volunteer as required.	In January 2014 London Borough of City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) commissioned a pilot project for a social prescribing service in three areas, comprising 22 primary care general practices. The aim of the social prescribing service was to improve patient well-being and increase personal self-efficacy shown by a reduction in primary health care resource use.	Face-to-face	Three areas in the borough were included and were assigned a social prescribing coordinator. The coordinators were trained in social work and employed by a managing third sector (not-for-profit) organisation commissioned to implement the service. These social prescribing coordinators were appointed and worked in the 22 GP surgeries enrolled.	NR*
Spoorstra <i>et al.</i> 2019	Yes	GPs - community based	GP for elderly care physician (GP-elderly care physician who focuses on geriatric medicine)	Dutch Organization for Health Research and Development University Medical Center Groningen (UMCG), The National Care for the Elderly Program and the Management of the Regional Network Northern Netherlands	Case-managed, a district manager and a case manager for the participant with complex care needs and participants who are frail, respectively organized care and support for older adults	NR*
					During these visits, the team will also collect information from the participant's carer, family members, a district nurse and a social worker for the participant with complex care needs and participants who are frail, respectively organized care and support for older adults	NR*

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Tabot <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	Adolescent Multi Agency Specialist Service (AMASS) offered three different intervention packages which are leading by a social worker embedded in the service (in collaboration with multidisciplinary team); home stability to stabilise the family home environment to prevent the adolescent from entering care; foster placement stability to stabilise the foster placement to prevent the adolescent being moved to an alternative placement; and return home to support an adolescent to move from a care setting (e.g. residential setting, secure unit and foster care) back to the care of their family.)	AMASS service	Face-to-face; outreach	Lead Social Worker	The service was commissioned by the Local Authority to reduce the number of young people coming into care compared with previous years	NR*
Terracciano <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	There is a network of volunteers (neighbours) and professionals (GPs, pharmacists) around frail older adults. The evaluation is followed by the interventions that are identified in collaboration with social workers. Within the programme, social workers draft individualised care plan, coordinate the intervention to implement it at the older population, and taking care of their specific social needs. Interventions reflect the specific needs of the elderly both in the social and health fields. The most frequent intervention is changing the environment to prevent home falls; socialisation; medication review; education to have a correct diet; support to search for a paid assistant; social support to the household; home care; and emotional and psychological support	GPs and pharmacy service provision	Lazio Regional Health and Social System, and the University of Tor	Community nurses (CN)	The interventions performed by community nurses in the Long Live Elderly (LLE-CN) group were carried in collaboration professional integration among nurses, social workers, psychologist, and GP	NR*

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Tong <i>et al.</i> 2020	Yes	Coordinated care Social care providers of the older people's centres were invited to observe the assessment and caring planning sessions, after which the nurse or the health worker liaised with the social care providers on the status/conditions of the participant so that they could follow the participant throughout to ensure that they receive continuous care. The report for each participant and the resource kit were provided to social care providers for reference	An integrated intervention consisting of in-depth assessment, personalised care plans and coordinated care; individual interviews were conducted to identify problems or needs, using an electronic questionnaire. Common geriatric syndromes have been considered, which included yes/no questions relating to the following domains: elusiveness, delusions, hearing difficulties, vision impairment, hearing impairment, complaints, mood and health, psychological well-being, incontinence, instrumental activities of daily living, impairment and polypharmacy, followed by in-depth assessment and checking of prescribed medications.	This initiative is part of the Lockey Club Community eHealth Care Project, commenced since 2016 for Chinese people aged 60 years or older who are members of older people's community centres in 18 districts of Hong Kong	Face-to-face	The nurse and the health worker	NR*
VanDijk <i>et al.</i> 2016	Yes	As part of integrated neighbourhood approach (INA) community workers had health and social care backgrounds. Community workers visited older people at home and mapped their social and physical needs and capabilities with respect to factors such as housing, mobility issues, and social activities, through phased interview. Together with older people, they sought appropriate solutions to identified problems or needs and composed individualised support plans. Community workers thus served as liaisons at the personal, supporting and monitoring older people).	Not part of the INA program	Rotterdam municipality, local health and social care organizations, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the University of Applied Sciences, and Geriatric Network Rotterdam initiated INA for community-dwelling older people	Face-to-face; outreach	Community workers had health and social care backgrounds	NR*

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Vestens et al. 2019	Yes	Community-dwelling older patients registered at the GP practices are screened and referred using the Tilburg Frailty Indicator (FFI) during a home visit by the practice nurse, homecare nurse or geriatric nurse. The assessment comprises of physical, psychological and social domains. Problems and needs are reported in multiple domains according to the SFSPC-model, i.e., somatic (e.g., pain, fall risk), functional (e.g., limitations in activities of daily living like problems with eating or household activities), social (e.g., social network), psychological (e.g., fear, coping, depression) and communication (e.g., visual or hearing impairments). Outcomes of this are reported and discussed with the GPs and elderly care physicians. The care plan is then tailored to the personal needs and wishes. Follow-up of older patients is arranged by a multidisciplinary team of (health care) professionals and an appointment case manager, who coordinates and evaluates the process, and provides support in goal setting and self-managing environment.	Primary health provision by GP practices and led by GPs Finding and follow-up of frail older persons (FFI) approach, which aims to maintain or improve older people's well-being and is implemented by part of the Dutch general practitioners (GPs). Located in the western part of North Brabant Province, the Netherlands	Face-to-face; outreach Practice nurse, homecare nurse or geriatric nurse	Multidisciplinary primary care teams and collaboration among different disciplines in multiple FFF-related activities are central to the FFF approach. Geriatric expertise is easily accessible by close involvement of elderly care physicians and geriatric nurses. Older persons (healthcare) needs are discussed in multidisciplinary consultation at least once a year. Individualized care plans include reported problems and (healthcare) needs, tailored (self-, management) intentions, plans for multidisciplinary follow-up and evaluation	

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White <i>et al.</i> 2021	Yes	<p>Includes liaison with or referral to inpatient and community mental health services, family sessions, allied health, including dietician and exercise physiologist, other specialist medical services, private psychiatry, psychology and CP services, sexual health, forensic, domestic violence services and social support agencies, including financial, vocational, educational, and housing.</p> <p>The service is to provide intensive, integrated, wrap around care across health, medical, social, educational and occupational domains, for up to 12 months</p>	<p>Psychologists, general practitioners, social workers, group programmes, specialists, hospital services and after-hours acute care accessible, youth-friendly, integrated primary care services for early intervention to young people aged 12 years</p>	<p>Face-to-face</p>	<p>To address these service gaps, new models of service were funded by the Australian government through the PHNs across Australia. Two HEITs in Sydney were supported by this funding commencing in 2017</p>	<p>HEIT is situated within the youth friendly clinical spaces of Headspace, while clinical governance and staff employment rests with a local PHN. HEIT is an organization that serves a population of 640000 in metropolitan Sydney.</p>	<p>To address these service gaps, new models of service were funded by the Australian government through the PHNs across Australia. Two HEITs in Sydney were supported by this funding commencing in 2017</p>
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Wong 2020 <i>et al.</i>	Yes	This is a three-month health-social partnership program. Nurse Case Manager (NCM), functioning as the leader of health-social care team, conducted the initial assessment in the first home visit to identify the clients' health and social problems within one week of discharge. Community workers, supervised by both the nurse case manager and the social worker, provided telephone follow-up and subsequent home visits to monitor the clients' progress and provide support when necessary. According to the problems identified, the NCM provided interventions in accordance with the Omaha System scheme, which included health teaching, guidance and counselling, treatment and procedures, case management and surveillance. The NCM also coordinated care across a range of settings, from the home to the community centre or hospital when necessary	After each client was admitted to the emergency medical ward from a hospital discharge team visited them to familiarize him/herself with their condition and prepare a discharge plan. A face-to-face or telephone call handover between the APN and the project nurse case manager (NCM) was performed before the client was discharged. The past and current medical conditions, medical and nursing management, and follow-up appointments were discussed	<p>The community-based health-social partnership (CHSP) program linked to EMW from Queen Elizabeth Hospital and Hong Kong Hospital Authority, Hong Kong</p> <p>Face-to-face; outreach and calls for follow-up</p> <p>A case manager ensures that the support for individual clients in enhancing self-care was comprehensive and properly coordinated. The nurse, backed up by a multidisciplinary team, assumed the role of case manager in the program, and home visits and telephone calls were the two approaches to care delivery.</p> <p>Interdisciplinary case conferences were held regularly between the NCM and social workers, with the involvement of the APN if appropriate. During the conference, the health-social team members communicated each other's role in managing the case, which increased understanding and collaboration in the process. In addition, events such as the progress and concerns of clients, and suggestions for further actions, modifications, or adjustment of interventions were reviewed</p>

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Zarongar <i>et al.</i> 2017	Yes	The intervention has been developed and delivered by a team of a doctor, GP with special interest (GPwi) in pain management and two therapists. Medical and nonmedical aspects of treatment run as parallel, complementary interventions. Two anthroposopic therapies (9). Rhythmic massage and earthing (gentle massage) are delivered individually in blocks of 7-8 weekly sessions. They aim to reduce the burden of symptoms (mainly pain, sleep disturbance, fatigue, anxiety and depression) and to restore energy. The confidence and motivation required for self-management is thereby facilitated. The intensity of the interventions is graded according to patients' physical and psychological condition as well as capacity and their needs. As symptoms improve the rationalisation of repeat medication, particularly analgesics and psychotropics, becomes possible	Face-to-face; outreach	Delivered by a team of a doctor, GP with special interest (GPwi) in pain management and two therapists. Medical and nonmedical aspects of treatment run as parallel, complementary interventions. Two anthroposopic therapies (9). Rhythmic massage and earthing (gentle massage) are delivered individually in blocks of 7-8 weekly sessions. They aim to reduce the burden of symptoms (mainly pain, sleep disturbance, fatigue, anxiety and depression) and to restore energy. The confidence and motivation required for self-management is thereby facilitated. The intensity of the interventions is graded according to patients' physical and psychological condition as well as capacity and their needs. As symptoms improve the rationalisation of repeat medication, particularly analgesics and psychotropics, becomes possible	Community based rehabilitation and social intervention programme which employs the components of the King's Fund 'House of Care' model. The intervention has been developed and delivered by a charity, Karlos Rehabilitation Trust (KRT), alongside a community pain management clinic, the Varvabuh Community Pain Clinic (VCPMC) in Southeast London

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