

WHO KNOWS?!

RAAK RESEARCH PROJECT

Employment of peers in professional practices in mental health,
substance abuse and homeless care



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Program

- Intro
- Project *Who knows?!*
 - *context*
 - *Research questions & - methods*
 - *Communities of practice (CoP)*

R&D at the Amsterdam university of applied sciences (HvA)

- Part of the Institute for law & society
- Related to professional bachelor & master in social work
- Integrating education, research & development
- Multiple social work subjects, specifically:
- Research program outreach work & innovation

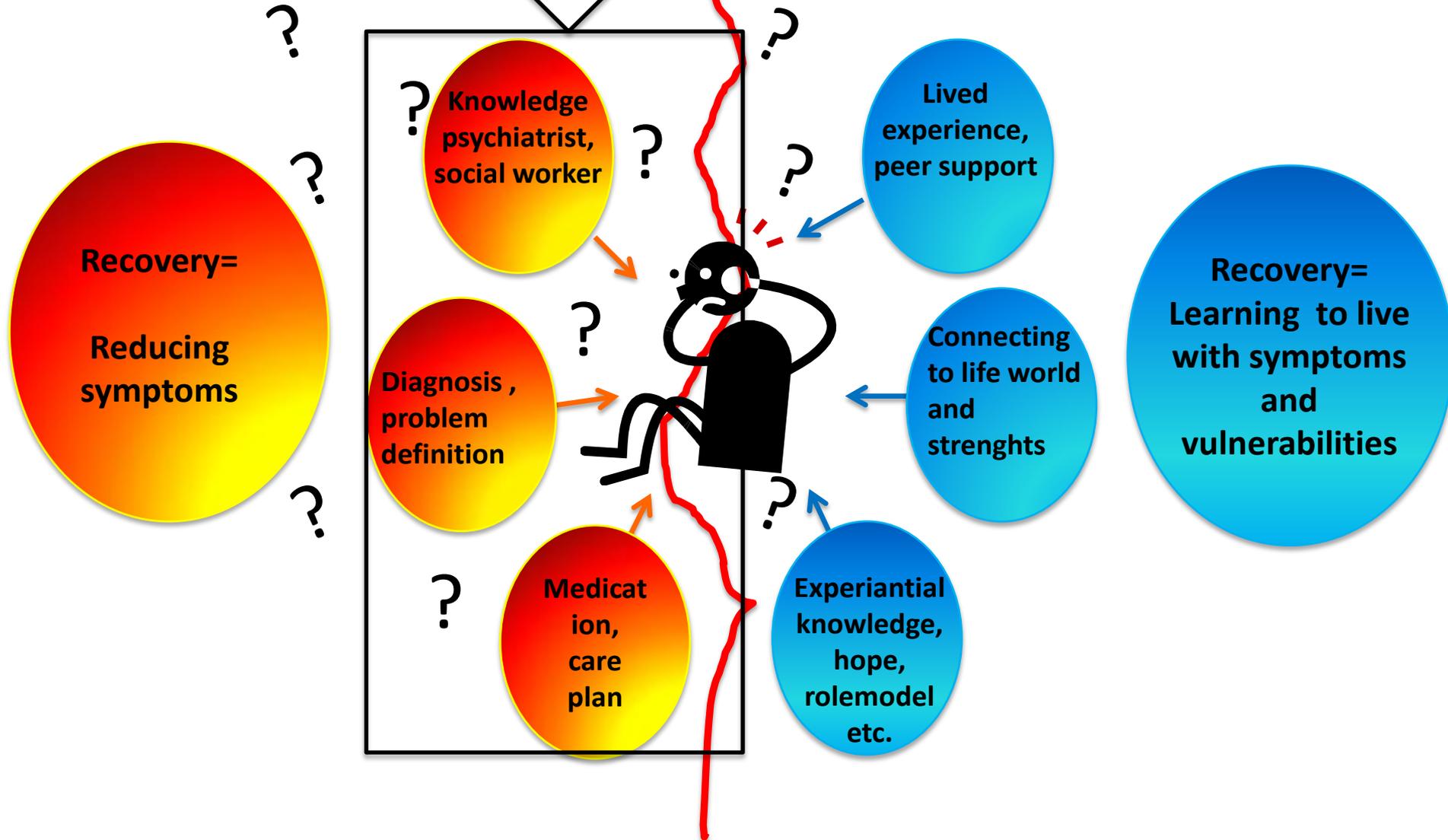
RAAK-project?

- federal grant
 - two year program
 - Aim of program;
 - cooperation
 - knowledge development
 - knowledge exchange
- between Universities of applied sciences and social professionals

Regular care and
professionals

Project *WHO KNOWS?!*

Consumer and
recovery
movement



Research questions:

1. Peer work as intervention?
2. How does this influence consumers?
3. Conditions?

Research methods

- Literature study
- Interviews
- Focus groups
- Participatory observation

Community of Practice (CoP):



- Community of social professionals, peer workers, consumers, managers, researchers, lecturers and students
- To make implicit knowledge explicit, sharing and developing knowledge, answering the research questions

Communities of Practice (CoPs) in W

Hogeschool van Amsterdam
Maatschappij en Recht

Ambassadors co
(representatives of)



CoP 1





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Research program Outreach work & Innovation

Research and development centre for law and society

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