Figure 1: QUOROM flow chart of studies in the review

Potentially eligible studies identified (n = 391) from
Medline (n = 219)
SCI & SSCI (n = 80)
PsycINFO (n = 42)
CINAL (n = 34)
Embase (n = 16)

Studies excluded
Biochemical studies/genetics
Studies involving children
Disordered personalities due to organic causes
Disorders of personality not categorised as PD by DSM or ICD e.g. PTSD, ADHD

14 studies identified from search
1 study identified by citation tracking:
Cross sectional studies (n = 7)
Cohort studies (n = 5)
Survey (n = 2)
RCT (n = 1)