Reviewer’s report

Title: Evaluating the acceptability of a co-produced and co-delivered mental health public engagement festival: Mental Health Matters, Jakarta, Indonesia

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The authors are to be congratulated on all the work that was put in to attempt to co-produce and co-deliver a mental health public engagement festival lasting 6 days at a university in the capital of Indonesia.

They were honest in that its success was unexpected as the venue was unable to cope with the numbers wanting to attend. It would have been useful to explain that it was free if it was and that tickets did not have to be obtained in advance. The planning process needs a bit of clarification as there was not enough time for some partners to attend - why was that?

It was useful to see the programme as an appendix as it was not explained what the films were. It looked more like documentaries as the cast were available to answer questions and the filmmaker was there as well. Can this be clarified?

Some of the issues raised could be distressing for some of the participants eg Pasung a practice used to chain thousands at home. Was any consideration given to provide a safe space at the venue for personal experiences raised by the event?

Tables are missing or a bit mixed up with the information in different places and should be amalgamated. Needs tidying up.

Good luck with building on this work.

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