Growing Health Conference 6th December 2016:

Green Care Coalition



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Green Care

Social and Therapeutic Horticulture

- including Food growing (as a treatment Intervention)

Care Farming

Environmental Conservation

(as a treatment
 intervention);

Ecotherapy

Others:

- Wilderness therapy;
- Nature therapy;
- Nature arts and crafts;
- Ecopsychotherapy;

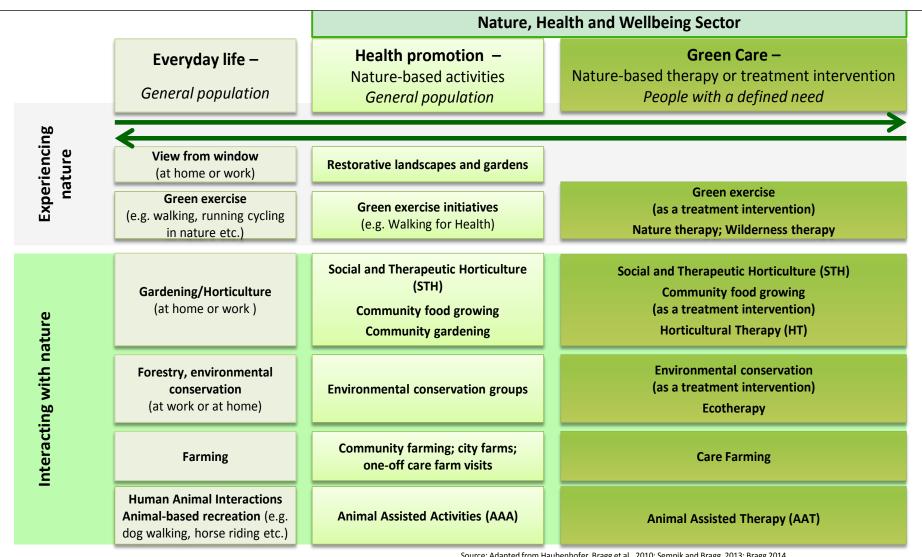
Animal Assisted Therapy

Green Exercise

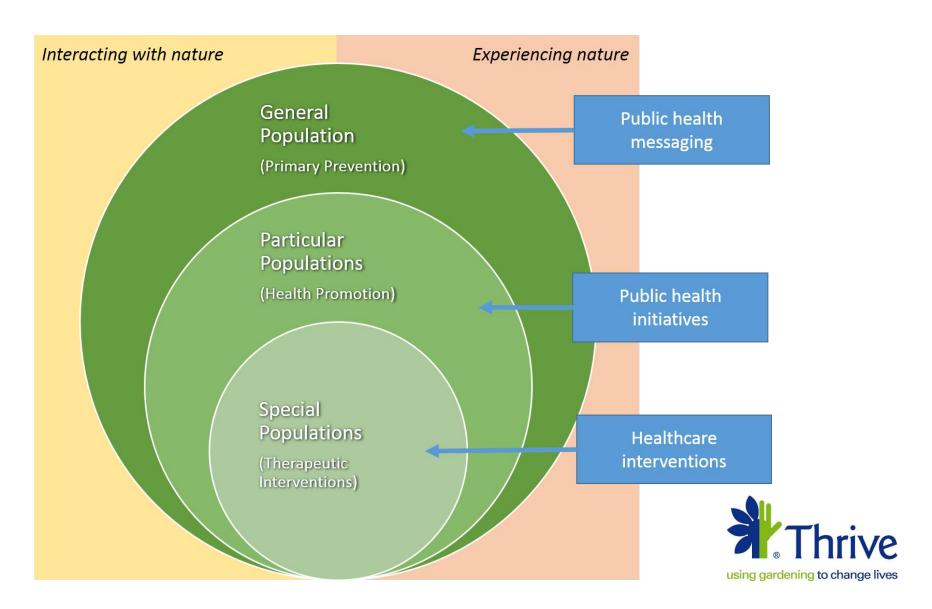
(as a treatment intervention)

Range of different contexts, activities, health benefits, service users, motivations and needs.

Green Care as part of the Nature, Health & Wellbeing Sector



An additional model?





- To promote the commissioning and use of Green Care services
- To give voice to the many organisations in the UK who are committed to delivering or supporting the delivery of high quality and cost-effective Green Care services.
- Vision Green Care becomes widely recognised as an effective option in health and social care

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Members:

Association of Social & Therapeutic Horticulture Practitioners (ASTHP)

Care Farming UK

Federation of City Farms & Community Gardens (FCFCG)

Garden Organic

Groundwork UK

Royal Horticultural Society

Ruskin Mill Education Trust

Sustain

Thrive (The Society for Horticultural Therapy)

Supporter organisations:

Natural England

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The Green Care Coalition: promoting high quality and cost effective green care services.



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Care becomes widely
recognised as an effective
option in health and social
care.



Search

On this site:

- Green Care Coalition
 - Coalition Members
- What is Green Care?
 - How does it differ from other nature-based activities?
- Benefits of Green Care?
 - How is Green Care beneficial?
- Who can benefit from Green Care?
 - Case Studies
- Evidence base

The Creen Care Coalition was established in 2016 to promote the commissioning and

Action ...

- Bring together the evidence base from GC practice/research to support a cost-benefit appraisal of GC provision
- Secure high profile champions and opportunities to promote the GC message
- Create a directory of GC providers (or link up existing directories)
- Secure agreement amongst GC providers about setting and adhering to quality standards and best practice in GC provision
- Encourage Members of the GCC to collaborate for joint bids, sharing knowledge and best practice
- Lobby at a national level to get GC included in relevant documents, including NICE regulations and any DH or commissioning support units
- Act as a central point of contact for information about GC; design appropriate mechanisms for signposting
- Provide support and best practice guidance to GC providers to maintain quality standards.

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- Or via the website coming soon!
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