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| Library concerned: Brighton and Sussex NHS Library and Knowledge Service  Name of case study: Family reunification after a mother has murdered a child during a psychotic episode  Date of interview: | |
| **Interviewee** | Name:  Job Title: Clinical Psychologist  Trust/Employing body: Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  Email:  Tel: |
| **Please note: you should only provide interviewee details here if consent**  **to share on the national blog has been obtained** |
| **S****ummary of problem or reason for enquiry** | A woman was admitted who had killed her child during a psychotic episode. We needed to work towards family reunification, understand future risks and inform staff working with the family. |
| **Brief description of the information found / service provided** | We have a specialist librarian working with us through the Forensic Mental Health Clinical Academic Group to develop pathways for the Trust and I was able to ask for an evidence search on this topic. She sent me a report that included a range of institutional publications and original research that was helpful. |

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| **Summary of outcome and impact** | The evidence informed community teams working with the family and reports prepared for child protection meetings and the family court. |
| **Immediate Impact**  **(including quotes)** | “I had done a preliminary scan of the literature but the evidence you provided helped understand the likelihood of reoccurrence of the offending behaviour, the role of the extended family as a protective factor, and theoretical perspectives on understanding filicide.  I shared this with the community team working with the family and the information helped to challenge other agencies that had a less informed understanding of the situation, which negatively affected care planning. The evidence also informed reports prepared for child protection meetings and the family court.” |
| **Probable future Impact**  **(including quotes)** |  |