#### Mental Health First Aid in the workplace:

# The MENTOR study

In November 2018 the University of Nottingham and the Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) published the results of the MENTOR study.

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## Each workplace that took part had trained staff in MHFA skills. Respondents were qualified as a mixture of: Mental Health Aware MHFA Champion Mental Health First Aider Some had received no training

#### **Overview**

This study investigated employees' views on the impact of Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) England training in their workplace.

Researchers surveyed:



participants





#### and 20 industries across England in the:

- Private sector
- Public sector
- Third sector

### What the employees said

The survey asked participants what had changed in their workplaces as a result of MHFA England training. Here's what they had to say:



Increased understanding

said there had been an increased understanding of mental health issues in their workplace



Increased confidence

reported an increased confidence around mental health issues in their workplace happening at work



More conversations

said more mental health conversations were



**Improved** procedures

noticed an improvement in procedures for signposting to further support



Supporting colleagues

said that employees trained in MHFA skills were supporting colleagues and **68%** said they were supporting people other than colleagues



**National** events

said their organisation was taking part in national mental health events



Decreased stigma

reported a decrease in the stigma surrounding mental health



Comfort disclosing

felt more comfortable to disclose their own mental health issues



Seeking help

reported an increase in help-seeking behaviour



Disclosing experience

said that more colleagues were disclosing their own experiences of mental ill health



For more information on Mental Health First Aid England training in the workplace visit mhfaengland.org

