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In this Power Point:

You Must:
☐ Learn the difference between individual effects and
social effects of mental health problems
$\hfill \Box$ Be able to give examples of individual effects of menta health problems
☐ Be able to give examples of social effects of mental health problems

Learning Intentions

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They can have two main effects:

Individual effects

They affect the individual from doing things

Social Effects

They affect society

Where do you think they belong?

Individual effects or Social effects?

Increased crime rates
Damage Relationships
Negative impact on physical well-being
Need for more social care
Difficulties coping everyday
Implications for the economy

Individual Effects

Damage Relationships

- People struggle to talk
- People feel isolated

Mental health problems affect the <u>individual</u> in these three ways.

Difficulties coping everyday

- Trouble sleeping, low energy, poor concentration
- Unemployed, struggle to wake up and eat

Negative impact on physical well-being

- Weight loss/gain
- More illnesses (as the body creates cortisol when when stressed which stops the immune system functioning).

Social Effects

Need for more social care

Taxes go towards supporting people and teaching people how to care for oneself

Increased crime rates

- There is a correlation between mental health problems and people committing crime
- This may be because they tend to have low living standards, low income and often turn to substance abuse.

Implications for the economy

- The UK government spends approx £22 billion a year looking after people with mental health problems

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Applying it - Sammy's Problems

Sammy has recently been diagnosed with schizophrenia – a disorder that causes him to have strange false beliefs like thinking that government is spying on him. He lost his girlfriend who said to him that 'she need a proper boyfriend not a patient to look after.' He also lost his job as a tour guide as he was not well enough to travel around all day and spend time with people. Although Sammy has been prescribed medication, which has helped him, the side effects of the drugs leave him 'spaced out'. He would like to see a psychotherapist but there is a 6-month wait due to government funding cuts because the cost of treating schizophrenia is expensive. The situation has become so bad as Sammy's paranoid delusions led to him assaulting an innocent man on the street who he thought was a government agent secretly spying on him.

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	A Inci	crease in crime rates	0	
	B Les	ssening of social stigma	0	
	C Les	ss need for social care	0	
	D Pos	sitive engagement for society	0	
12.2	Give tv	wo examples of the effects of mental health problems on	an individual. [2 marks]	
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Answers

Which of the following is a cost to society that the government spokesperson in the article may have been referring to? Shade **one** box.

[1 mark]

Marks for this question: AO2 = 1 mark

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12.2 Give two examples of the effects of mental health problems on an individual.

[2 marks]

Marks for this question: AO1 = 2 marks

1 mark for any of the following (MAX 2 marks).

- Negative impact on physical well-being
- Harm to body because of using things like drugs or food to try and feel better
- Difficulties coping with day to day life
- Not able to get to work or school on a regular basis
- Damage to relationships
- More arguments between partners and/or parents and children

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Answers

16.1 Identify one characteristic of mental health.

[1 mark]

Marks for this question: AO1 - 1 mark

1 mark for any one of the following

- · positive engagement with / functioning as part of society
- · effective coping with challenges
- · not being overcome by difficult feelings
- · having good relationships with others
- being able to deal with disappointments and problems
- · being able to cope with stresses and demands of everyday life
- · being able to make decisions

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Briefly explain how significant mental health problems can affect **both** individuals and society. Refer to the article in your answer.

[4 marks]

Marks for this question: AO1 - 2 mark and AO2 - 2 marks

AO1

Individuals:

- Damage to relationships such as increased stress for other family members or children going into the care system.
- Difficulties coping with day to day life such as lack of attendance at school or work with the result of things like poor qualifications and unemployment.
- Negative impact on physical wellbeing such as effects from medication (e.g. concentration difficulties), weight gain or loss, difficulty sleeping.

Society:

- The need for more social care such as social housing, health care and benefit payments.
- Increased crime rates such as violence from people with mental health problems who are also using alcohol or drugs.
- Implications for the economy such as greater cost of health care, social care, policing and the justice system.

AO2

- The article says that spending more time on social media sites could affect individuals by being damaging to their relationships and having a negative impact on their physical wellbeing.
- The article says that if our mental health is negatively affected then this could result in an increased need for social care.

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Individual effects

Social effects