

Review of: "“Same team, different colours”: Examining the association between shared identity and interoperability in multi-agency discussion-based exercises"

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The the three different data collection methods used (questionnaire data, discussion transcripts, and focus groups) makes the paper very interesting. Because of the nature of the study topic (emergencies) and the behavior towards it from different groups (Police, FRS and ambulance), perhaps simulated exercises in situ can be more enlightening. It seems like a platitude the fact that a shared identity would enhance joint working and interoperability, but the mixed methods implemented and the practical implications make the study very interesting, specially the suggestion that training and guidance for interoperability should include psychological factors. JESIP principles can be taught and learnt individually and within each group, but a shared identity can only be developed by including psychological factors and having all groups work together in different scenarios (practice).