

## Data supplement

Table DS1 Papers on brief interventions included in the systematic review						
Study	Design	Country	Outcome	Intervention	Follow-up	Study size
Beautrais <i>et al</i> <sup>37</sup> (2010)	RCT	New Zealand	Self-harm	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 6)	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 541, 327 randomised (153 IX, 174 TAU)
Bertolote <i>et al</i> <sup>9</sup> (2010)	RCT	Multiple	Suicide attempt	Phone calls (BIC) ( <i>n</i> = 9)	18 months	Assessed <i>n</i> = 2973, 1867 randomised (922 IX, 945 TAU)
Bennewith <i>et al</i> <sup>31</sup> (2002)	cRCT in general practices	UK	Self-harm	Letter to general practitioner	12 months	Eligible practices <i>n</i> = 162, 2141 participants randomised (1068 IX, 1073 TAU)
Carter <i>et al</i> <sup>24</sup> (2005)	RCT	Australia	Self-poisoning	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 8)	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 922, 722 randomised (378 IX, 394 TAU)
Carter <i>et al</i> <sup>25</sup> (2007)	RCT	Australia	Self-poisoning	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 8)	24 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 922, 722 randomised (378 IX, 394 TAU)
Carter <i>et al</i> <sup>26</sup> (2013)	RCT	Australia	Self-poisoning, suicide	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 8)	60 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 922, 722 randomised (378 IX, 394 TAU)
Cedereke <i>et al</i> <sup>40</sup> (2002)	RCT	Sweden	Suicide attempt, suicide	Phone calls ( <i>n</i> = 2)	12 months	216 randomised (107 IX, 109 TAU)
Chen <i>et al</i> <sup>38</sup> (2013)	RCT	Taiwan	Suicide attempt	Crisis card ( <i>n</i> = 1)	6 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 1218, 761 randomised (373 IX, 388 TAU)
Cotgrove <i>et al</i> <sup>36</sup> (1995)	RCT	UK	Suicide attempt	Green card at discharge ( <i>n</i> = 1)	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 134, 105 randomised (47 IX, 58 TAU)
Evans <i>et al</i> <sup>27</sup> (1999)	RCT	UK	Self-harm	Green card ( <i>n</i> = 1), crisis phone	6 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 1301, 827 randomised (417 IX, 410 TAU)
Evans <i>et al</i> <sup>28</sup> (2005)	RCT	UK	Self-harm	Green card ( <i>n</i> = 1), crisis phone	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 1301, 827 randomised (417 IX, 410 TAU)
Fleischmann <i>et al</i> <sup>10</sup> (2008)	RCT	Multiple	Suicide	Phone calls (BIC) ( <i>n</i> = 9)	18 months	Assessed <i>n</i> = 2973, 1867 randomised (922 IX, 945 TAU)
Hassanian-Moghaddam <i>et al</i> <sup>41</sup> (2011)	RCT	Iran	Suicide attempt, cutting	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 8)	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 2360, 2300 randomised (1150 IX, 1150 TAU)
Hassanzadeh <i>et al</i> <sup>29</sup> (2010)	RCT	Iran	Suicide attempt	Phone calls (BIC) ( <i>n</i> = 9)	6 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 945, 632 randomised (321 IX, 311 TAU)
Kapur <i>et al</i> <sup>34</sup> (2013)	RCT	UK	Self-harm	Letters+phone + info leaflet ( <i>n</i> = 8)	12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 169, 66 randomised (33 IX, 33 TAU)
Morgan <i>et al</i> <sup>35</sup> (1995)	RCT	UK	Self-harm	Green card ( <i>n</i> = 2)	12 months	212 entered the study (101 IX, 111 TAU)
Motto & Bostrom <sup>33</sup> (2001)	RCT	USA	Suicide	Letter ( <i>n</i> = 24)	15 years	Assessed <i>n</i> = 3,005 (389 IX, 454 TAU)
Robinson <i>et al</i> <sup>32</sup> (2012)	RCT	Australia	Self-harm	Postcards ( <i>n</i> = 12)	18 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 464, 165 randomised (81 IX, 83 TAU)
Vaiva <i>et al</i> <sup>39</sup> (2006)	RCT	France	Suicide attempt, suicide	Phone calls ( <i>n</i> = 1)	13 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 2892, 605 randomised (147 IX 1 month, 146 IX 3 month, 312 TAU)
Vijayakumar <i>et al</i> <sup>30</sup> (2011)	RCT	India	Suicide attempt	Phone calls (BIC) ( <i>n</i> = 9)	18/12 months	Eligible <i>n</i> = 1691, 680 randomised (320 IX, 360 TAU)

RCT, randomised controlled trial; Eligible, participants screened as eligible; IX, intervention condition; TAU, treatment as usual (control condition); BIC, WHO intervention 'Brief Intervention and Contact'; Assessed, participants assessed for eligibility; cRCT, cluster RCT.