## **SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL**

Table S1: Outcomes by treatment arm at 3 months (Intention to treat analysis)

Characteristic	Randomised groups		
	tCBT (n=500)	Usual care (n=496)	
Primary Outcome	N (%)	N (%)	
Chronic widespread pain			
No	312 (82.1)	368 (83.1)	
Yes	68 (17.9)	75 (16.9)	
Secondary Outcome			
Global impression of change			
Very much better	14 (3.7)	15 (3.4)	
Much better	76 (20.1)	48 (10.9)	
A little better	132 (34.9)	91 (20.6)	
No change	100 (26.5)	165 (37.3)	
A little worse	45 (11.9)	98 (22.2)	
Much worse	11 (2.9)	23 (5.2)	
Very much worse	0	2 (0.5)	
Pain Reported			
No	72 (18.6)	59 (13.3)	
Yes	308 (81.1)	384 (86.7)	
CWP risk profile			
Somatic symptoms score			
0	224 (59.1)	239 (54.1)	
1	96 (25.3)	127 (28.7)	
2-5	59 (15.6)	76 (17.2)	
Illness Behaviour Score Mean (SD)[n*]	8.96 (3.99) [379]	9.21 (3.86) [441]	
Sleep problems score Mean (SD) [n]	8.54 (4.99) [377]	9.16 (5.08) [439]	
Psychological Distress (GHQ score)			
0	224 (59.9)	207 (47.2)	
1	50 (13.4)	63 (14.4)	
2-5	65 (17.4)	96 (21.9)	
6-12	35 (9.4)	73 (16.6)	
	Mean (SD) [n]	Mean (SD) [n]	
Chalder Fatigue Score	12.2 (4.2) [372]	13.6 (4.2) [440]	
	Median (IQR) [n]	Median (IQR) [n]	
Quality of Life (EQ-5D utility score)	0.74 (0.67 - 0.84) [379]	0.74 (0.65 - 0.84) [442]	
ICECAP-A	0.89 (0.80 - 0.95) [378]	0.89 (0.78 - 0.95) [440]	
Fibromyalgia Research Criteria			
WPI	3 (1 - 4) [370]	3 (1 – 4) [432]	
SSS	3 (2 – 5) [373]	4 (2 – 5) [433]	

EQ-5D-5L: Euroqol questionnaire – five dimensions – five levels; FRC: fibromyalgia research criteria; GHQ: general health questionnaire; ICECAP-A: ICEpop CAPability measure for Adults; IQR: interquartile range; SD: standard deviation; SSS: symptom severity scale; tCBT: telephone cognitive behavioural therapy; WPI: widespread pain index. \* The number of persons for whom a scale score could be calculated

Table S2: Outcomes by treatment arm at 24 months (Intention to treat analysis)

Characteristic	Randomised groups		
	tCBT (n=500)	Usual care (n=496)	
Primary Outcome	N (%)	N (%)	
Chronic widespread pain			
No	322 (80.4)	352 (77.7)	
Yes	78 (19.6)	101 (22.3)	
Secondary Outcome			
Global impression of change			
Very much better	14 (3.7)	15 (3.4)	
Much better	76 (20.1)	48 (10.9)	
A little better	132 (34.9)	91 (20.6)	
No change	100 (26.5)	165 937.3)	
A little worse	45 (11.9)	98 (22.2)	
Much worse	11 (2.9)	23 (5.2)	
Very much worse	0	2 (0.5)	
Pain Reported			
No	95 (23.8)	77 (17.0)	
Yes	305 (76.3)	376 (83.0)	
CWP Risk Profile			
Somatic symptoms score			
0	184 (59.4)	219 (58.1)	
1	82 (26.5)	90 (23.9)	
2-5	44 (14.2)	68 (18.0)	
Illness behaviour score Mean (SD)[n*]	7.75 (4.14) [310]	8.95 (4.18) [377]	
Sleep problems score Mean (SD) [n]	8.45 (5.3) [309]	9.06 (5.0) [376]	
Psychological Distress (GHQ score)			
0	168 (54.2)	178 (47.3)	
1	36 (11.6)	42 (11.2)	
2-5	67 (21.6)	91 (24.2)	
6-12	39 (12.6)	65 (17.3)	
	Mean (SD) [n]	Mean (SD) [n]	
Chalder Fatigue Score	13.0 (4.3) [309]	13.9 (4.4) [377]	
	Median (IQR) [n]	Median (IQR) [n]	
Quality of Life (EQ-5D utility score)	0.74 (0.68 – 0.84) [313]	0.74 (0.65 – 0.84) [386]	
ICECAP-A	0.91 (0.80 – 0.96) [311]	0.89 (0.79 – 0.95) [386]	
Fibromyalgia Research Criteria	Median (IQR) [n]	Median (IQR) [n]	
WPI	2 (1 – 4) [306]	2.5 (1 – 4) [370]	
SSS	3 (2 – 5) [309]	4 (2 – 5) [376]	

EQ-5D-5L: Euroqol questionnaire – five dimensions – five levels; FRC: fibromyalgia research criteria; GHQ: general health questionnaire; ICECAP-A: ICEpop CAPability measure for Adults; IQR: interquartile range; SD: standard deviation; SSS: symptom severity scale; tCBT: telephone cognitive behavioural therapy; WPI: widespread pain index. \* The number of persons for whom a scale score could be calculated

Table S3: Unit costs applied to value health care resource use (£, 2017/18 UK prices)

Resource	Unit	Source	Basis of estimate	Cost (£)
NHS health care resource use				
GP	Visit	Curtis 2018	9.22 minutes consultation, including qualification and direct staff	37
Practice nurse	Visit	Curtis 2015, Curtis	Surgery consultation 15.5 minutes	11
		2018		
Community physiotherapist	Visit	Curtis 2018	Assumes 30 minutes consultation	17
Other community	Visit	Curtis 2018	Assumes cost of community physiotherapist	17
CT – Chiropractor	Visit	Curtis 2018	Assumes cost of community physiotherapist	17
CT – Osteopath	Visit	Curtis 2018	Assumes cost of community physiotherapist	17
CT – Other	Visit	Curtis 2018	Assumes cost of community physiotherapist	17
Outpatient – Rheumatology	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	WF01A Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance, Follow-up, 410	150
		2017/18	Rheumatology, WF01B Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance,	
			Follow-up First, 410 Rheumatology (weighted mean cost over	
			these two categories)	
Outpatient – Orthopaedics	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	WF01A Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance, Follow-up, 110	125
		2017/18	Trauma & Orthopaedics, WF01B, Non-Admitted Face to Face	
			Attendance, First, 110 Trauma & Orthopaedics (weighted mean	
			cost over these two categories)	
Outpatient – Other	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	WF01A Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance, Follow-up, 191	149
		2017/18	Pain Management, WF01B Non-Admitted Face to Face	
			Attendance, First, 191 Pain Management (weighted mean cost	
			over these two categories)	
Other HCP – Physiotherapist	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	WF01A Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance, Follow-up, 650	55
		2017/18	Physiotherapy, WF01B Non-Admitted Face to Face Attendance,	
			First, 650 Physiotherapy (weighted mean cost over these two	
			categories)	
Other HCP – Other	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	Assumes cost of a physiotherapy attendance	55

		2017/18		
Emergency department	Visit	NHS Reference Costs	180 Accident & Emergency (weighted mean over consultant led	136
		2017/18	and non-consultant led)	
Non-elective admission	Day	NHS Reference Costs	HD21 Soft Tissue Disorders (mean cost over CC Score 0-2 and CC	315
		2017/18	Score 3-5)	
Planned (elective) admission	Day	NHS Reference Costs	HD21 Soft Tissue Disorders (mean cost over CC Score 0-2 and CC	377
		2017/18	Score 3-5)	
Private (non-NHS) treatment				
resource use				
HCP – Doctor	Visit	UK Beam Trial	Mean cost of private specialist visit - uprated	183
HCP – Physiotherapist	Visit	BUPA	Mean cost of private physiotherapist outpatient attendance	47
HCP – Chiropractor	Visit	Wonderling et al	Mean cost of a private visit chiropractor or osteopath – uprated	36
		2004		
HCP – Osteopath	Visit	Wonderling et al	Mean cost of a private visit chiropractor or osteopath – uprated	36
		2004		
HCP – Other (e.g.	Visit	BUPA	Assumes mean cost of a private physiotherapist outpatient	47
acupuncturist)			attendance	
HCP – Other	Visit	BUPA	Assumes mean cost of a private physiotherapist outpatient	47
			attendance	
Hospital admission	Day	UK Beam Trial	Mean cost of private hospital admission/day – uprated	602

GP = General practitioner; HCP = Health care professional; CT=Complementary therapist

Table S4: Unadjusted mean resource use and costs per patient over 24 months follow-up

Resource use item		Usual care, n=496			tCBT, n=500		
	N	Mean resource	Mean cost,	N	Mean resource	Mean cost,	
		use (SD)	£ (SD)		use (SD)	£ (SD)	
Intervention							
tCBT	0	0	0	500	138.74 (114.08) <sup>1</sup>	270.19 (209.74) <sup>2</sup>	
NHS primary care							
GP visits	343	8.61 (8.31)	318.44 (307.38)	277	7.51 (8.10)	277.97 (299.86)	
Practice nurse visits	343	4.11 (5.69)	45.19 (62.57)	277	5.23 (11.87)	57.54 (130.61)	
Community physiotherapist visits	343	2.26 (5.43)	38.46 (92.39)	277	1.90 (3.12)	32.22 (64.83)	
Other community health care professional visits	343	0.70 (1.72)	11.90 (29.27)	277	1.20 (3.12)	20.38 (53.99)	
Chiropractor visits	343	0.66 (3.64)	11.30 (61.89)	277	0.59 (4.51)	10.06 (76.65)	
Osteopath visits	343	0.57 (3.06)	9.62 (51.97)	277	0.59 (3.27)	10.00 (55.66)	
Other complementary therapist visits	343	2.14 (7.11)	36.43 (120.98)	277	2.31 (6.97)	39.34 (118.53)	
Total NHS primary care costs	343	-	471.34 (447.94)	277	-	447.51 (434.82)	
NHS hospital care							
Non-elective admission days	343	1.24 (6.01)	474.61 (2,178.77)	277	0.81 (4.86)	311.43 (1,752.32)	
Elective admission days	343	0.98 (2.76)	369.61 (1,042.04)	277	0.78 (2.64)	293.98 (997.85)	
Outpatient rheumatology visits	335	0.21 (0.95)	30.09 (132.36)	272	0.39 (1.46)	54.04 (203.83)	
Outpatient orthopaedics visits	335	0.80 (1.80)	92.42 (206.56)	272	0.67 (1.51)	77.37 (173.08)	
Other outpatient clinic visits	335	2.86 (4.63)	408.51 (662.79)	273	2.27 (3.97)	324.24 (567.88)	
Hospital physiotherapist visits	343	1.14 (2.71)	65.95 (157.40)	277	1.49 (3.69)	86.69 (214.00)	
Other hospital health care professional visits	343	1.26 (2.83)	72.88 (164.27)	277	1.14 (2.46)	66.17 (142.82)	
Total NHS hospital care costs	335	-	1,503.92 (2,731.09)	272	-	1,186.65 (2,425.09)	
Private care							
Admission days	343	0.12 (0.71)	70.02 (426.10)	277	0.14 (0.79)	82.58 (473.55)	
Private doctor visits	343	0.39 (1.96)	72.03 (357.87)	277	0.37 (1.12)	67.39 (205.62)	