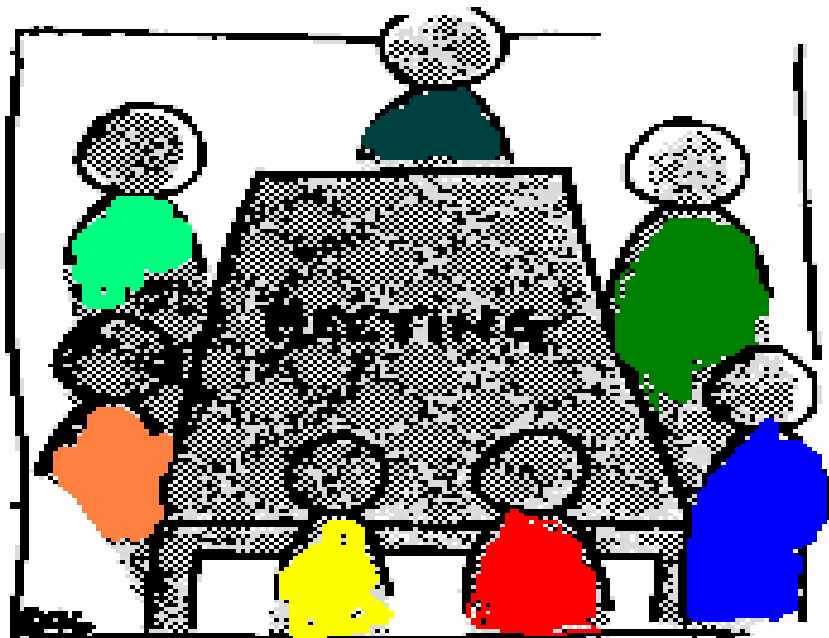


Hertfordshire Learning Disability Partnership Board



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Who we are



Hertfordshire's Learning Disability Partnership Board members include:



Self advocates

Family carers



People from: Adult Care Services; health services; colleges; Children Schools and Families, commissioning; private, voluntary and community organisations that provide services, support or advocacy; Crime & Disorder Partnerships; Job Centre Plus and Youth Connexions.



We have two co chairs:

Richard Blake who is a self-advocate

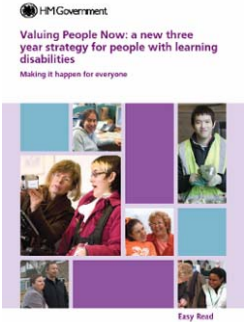
Sue Darker who is Adult Care Services' Assistant Director for Learning Disability and Mental Health



The Partnership Board meets every month and the focus of its work is on adult services in Hertfordshire.

What we do

The Hertfordshire Learning Disability Partnership Board aims to:



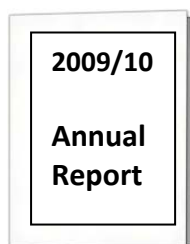
- Make sure that the priorities of Valuing People Now, the plan for making the lives of people with learning disabilities better, happen in Hertfordshire.
- Bring together local plans and partnerships; making sure that service providers and community partners work well together to meet the needs of people with learning disabilities and their families in Hertfordshire.
- Make sure that people with learning disabilities and family carers play an active part in the planning, development and checking of services.
- Make sure that there are local forums in place across Hertfordshire that link to the Partnership Board and help with local planning and decision making.
- Make sure there are the right working groups in place to make Valuing People Now happen.

	✓	✗
Good Health	✓	
Better Housing	✓	
More Jobs		✗
Support for Family Carers	✓	
Person Centred planning		✗
Workforce Development	✓	
Transition for Children to Adult Services	✓	
Advocacy	✓	
Providers Forum	✓	

How we do it



- We have monthly Partnership Board meetings, and regular agenda planning meetings to help with our work planning.



- The Board produces an annual progress report to show how we are improving services. The next one will be in March 2011 and must be signed off by self advocates and family carer Board members. This report is checked locally and feeds into the regional report that is nationally checked.



- We have Board representatives: a self advocate, a family carer, a social care lead manager and health care lead manager who are Eastern Region Programme Board members. We also have representatives at the Regional Carers Forum and Eastern Region Forum for self advocates.



- The Valuing People Working Group (self advocates) and Carers Forum (family carers) both present reports to the Partnership Board six times a year. Giving some views and raising issues from people with learning disabilities and family carers.





- We have working groups carrying out the work of Valuing People Now priority areas such as health, housing, transport, transition for children to adult services, hate crime....

These may change from time to time as we need to make sure the right areas of Valuing People Now are being worked on. The working groups report their progress to the Partnership Board.




- The Board has worked with partner organisations to set up local forums so that local people and organisations can be part of planning and decision making.

The local forums have Partnership Board link members to keep both meetings informed of each other's work.

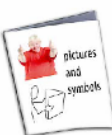
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Guide to producing Easy Read information

Documents and presentations




What is Easy Read information?

- Easy Read information is sometimes called 'easier information' or 'simple words and pictures'
- It is a way of making information easier to read and understand for people with learning disabilities.



Why do we need rules?

- Sometimes people do not do a good job when making information Easy Read.
- These rules will help them do a better job.



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- The Board encourages all services and organisations to make their information easy read.

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