

Policy Update and other useful information

What is it?

UK Disability History Month (UKDHM) 2019: Leadership, Resistance and Culture 18 November – 20 December

UKDHM will examine how the leaders of the disabled peoples movement managed to change the way disability was seen as a personal burden to a human rights issue through using the social model of disability from 1970 to the present and the lessons we learn from this. We will look at earlier examples of individual and collective resistance to the oppression disabled people have faced at work, in education, in their local community and at home and we will examine the culture of the disability arts movement from which they drew their collective strength. We will also examine the struggles of disabled people from earlier times for fairness and equality and a life worth living.

Find out more: <https://ukdhm.org/>

Gov.UK Learning disability and autism training for health and care staff - Consultation Outcome

'Right to be heard': The Government's response to the consultation on learning disability and autism training for health and care staff- 5 November 2019. The government has published its response to what people said about its proposals for mandatory training for health and care staff.

Read outcome here: <https://bit.ly/35Oanxn>

Resources and other bulletins

Department of Health & Social Care - When you care, every day makes a difference

What it means to care - Working in adult social care can be so rewarding. We've gathered everything you need to introduce you to the sector. Explore the different types of care work, what you require for the roles, and take our quiz to find out if adult social care is the right career for you.

Find out more here: <https://bit.ly/2OVJeBs>

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Learning Disability Today (LDT) What we know - and don't know - about the Liberty Protection Safeguards

Yo Dunn PhD is a trainer and consultant who works across the public sector with specialisms in autism and law. Here, she introduces the topic she will speak about to Learning Disability Today London delegates - the Liberty Protection Safeguards - and highlights what questions remain unanswered.

Read more here: <https://bit.ly/34udFWd>

Organisation for Autism Research (OAR) Sex.Ed for Self-advocates

This guide is a sexuality and sex education resource written specifically for people on the autism spectrum age 15 and up. People on the autism spectrum sometimes don't have the chance to learn about sexuality and sex in ways that work for them, so OAR created this guide as a starting point to change that.

Find out more here: <https://bit.ly/2OWsPgc>

Webinars and training

International Day of Persons with Disabilities Webinars Dec 3, 2019 10:30AM - 1:10PM

As part of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, the Good Practice Team from the Wales Audit Office, are supporting the delivery of a series of interactive webinars. [Barod](#) are a Community Interest Company where the owners and workforce are equal mix of disabled and non-disabled people. Barod would like to highlight two areas of learning from two years of DRILL-funded action research about people with learning disabilities as entrepreneurs.

Get tickets here: <https://bit.ly/2DvcSIw>

LDE Webinars - The Essex 100 Day Challenge: putting people with learning disabilities and autism at the heart of changing systems

Friday, 6th December 2019 10.00-11.00

This webinar will be hosted by Nesta, an innovation charity, which has pioneered the 100 Day Challenge method that puts frontline staff and people with lived experience at the heart of systems change.

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Nesta has recently worked with Essex County Council to run a 100 Day Challenge partnering with communities to learn how to better support residents with learning disabilities and autism to live a meaningful life.

Register here: <https://bit.ly/2ORdD46>

SCIE Webinar recording: Co-production with children and families

The Children Act (1989) was a landmark law giving every child the right to protection from abuse, exploitation and set out ways to safeguard their welfare. Co-production is about working in equal partnership with people using services, carers, families and citizens. For this webinar, SCIE explored in more depth the 'How'; where might an individual or an organisation start in thinking about how to introduce co-production into their work.

Listen here: <https://bit.ly/2qXlkhd>

Blogs

Ann's Autism Blog - Out as Autistic. Family and Relationship Responses

So, you're autistic.

Who do you tell? When? How? What will happen, as a response?

Unknowns are scary enough for most people. For autistic people, often it's far scarier. Our social circles are often smaller to start with, and we may have grown up in a world that has wanted to see our naturally-different social communication as 'rude'. The thought of losing a friend or partner can be a huge thing.

Read more here: <https://bit.ly/2Y55Pjz>

Learning Disability Today (LDT) Learning about boundaries and why it's ok to say no

Turning Point health and well-being coach and care co-ordinator Khushboo Gosai says young people often only see the 'glamorous side' of relationships and people with learning disabilities can be particularly vulnerable.

Read more here: <https://bit.ly/2OuGzjt>