Kent, Surrey and Sussex Learning Disability Community of Practice Conference 2018: Sustaining our Community

Thursday 21 June 2018, The Charis Centre, Crawley, Surrey

Workshops

Viv Cooper OBE, CEO of The Challenge Behaviour Foundation, leads a workshop which will focus on the complex barriers to accessing healthcare faced by people with learning disabilities who display behaviour described as challenging. The workshops plan actions to share best practice and ideas about access to healthcare for people with complex needs.

Jim Blair, Consultant Nurse and Associate Professor Learning Disabilities, will present on challenging health inequalities and the need to make reasonable adjustments to deliver health care for people with Learning Disabilities.

Peter Woodward, Senior Lecturer for Learning Disabilities at University of Greenwich, presents a workshop on the use of mental health promotion groups and gives a formal qualitative and quantitative evaluation of 12 mental health promotion groups including how the groups were set up, facilitated and the views and opinions of people with learning disabilities that attended the groups.

Bob Parsons, will run a practical workshop exploring ways of communicating, barriers to communication, listening skills, checking understanding and reassuring people with learning disabilities to feel free to speak, including in relation to health care.

Care Management Group will present the PMLD Core & Essential Service Standards, why and how these have been developed and sharing ideas for implementing and monitoring the standards.

Jenny Spaull presents the work undertaken by Southdown Housing Association to overcome the challenges presented by a lack of clear national/local guidance and nervousness/confusion about administering emergency epilepsy medication and what constitutes competency to administer.

Cathy Bernal, Senior Lecturer in Learning Disability at Canterbury Christ Church University, presents an evaluation of the work of a consultant group of co-teachers with learning disabilities called LOUD (Learning Observing Understanding Disability) who monitor and develop the quality of learning disability education in the Faculty of Health and Wellbeing.

Avenues Group presents on 'It takes 2': a project to support individuals with learning disabilities to become more involved in their communities and have equality of access. The project is soon to be delivered in Kent, Surrey and Sussex.

Eloise Brett, LD Liaison Nurse Medway NHS Foundation Trust will run a workshop on the role of LD Liaison Nurses in supporting patients with LD in acute trust hospital.

Matt Steeples and Rosie-Jo MacRae discuss a review of the Positive Behaviour Support training for parents coproduced by Hillside School, Brighton & Hove City Council and Sussex Partnership NHS Trust.

Susan Hart and Nash Momori from The Huntercombe Group will run a workshop on Empowering Recovery College Peer Trainers, with intellectual disabilities, to take up strategic positions within Sustainable Communities to promote mental and physical health recovery.

Jenny Spaull presents work undertaken by Southdown Housing Association to provide tailored input, that has an impact on practice, to two services supporting men who are deaf/blind. This confirmed that training alone is insufficient.

Dimensions will run a workshop on their research and campaign which is providing training for all GP surgery staff, sharing information and resources with patients and support teams and calling on policymakers to reduce health inequality.

Spaces still available for a free stall at the event! Please contact Liz Howells:

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