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Together in Newcastle

Information sharing event for people with learning disabilities, their families & support providers

Presentations



Health: Alison Forsyth (Hospital Liaison Nurse) and Suzanne Taylor (Community Nurse) will talk to you about what to expect from a good Annual Health Check and what a Hospital Passport is. You will find out how to contact the team and access the support available.



Benefits & Employment: John Moiser (Department for Work and Pensions) will give an overview of the key benefits and the changes that are coming up. You will find out about the importance placed on supporting



people with a learning disability through Job Centre Plus work. Derek Ash (Supported Employment Service, Newcastle) will also be outlining the support they can offer.



Newcastle City Council: Gary Myerscough and Marta Rzepecki (Learning Disability & Autism Insights Team) will update you on the work of the team and tell you about Independent Service Funds. Peter & Gail supported by Kate Winwood (Social Worker) and Amanda Head (Manager, St Cuthbert's Care) will talk about their experience, explaining how a dynamic review has helped change the support they receive.

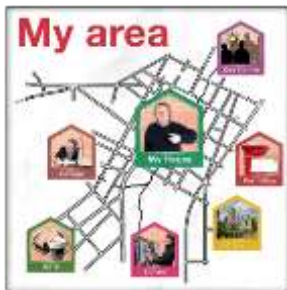


There will also be an update on what has been happening about the Accessible Information Standard.

Workshops



Self Advocacy: The team at Skills for People will be getting you to think about and practice how you speak up for the things you need and want. You will hear from Stewart Chappell (Self Advocate) about the impact this has made in his own life.



Community activities: Vicky Tate (Friends Action North East) and Glenn Howe (Better Days) are looking for your help to map out all the activities and places you go. Computers will be available for you to link this information to the Friends Action North East website to see how this can benefit everyone.



Keeping Safe: Janine Turnbull (Northumbria Police) and the Better Days Team will be offering a drama based workshop to get you thinking about how you keep yourself safe, raising awareness of Hate Crime and the support available to address this.

Market Place



Gather information and talk to people throughout the day about support services, special interest groups and new initiatives.

Have your Say!



There will be an opportunity throughout the day to chat with self advocates, go on film or write a message about what you think needs improving, changed or developed in Newcastle.



Lunch will be provided and there will be tea & coffee available throughout the day



To book a place contact Melissa on 0113 244 4792 or melissa@inclusionnorth.org

We look forward to seeing you!