



# What is going on?

Rediscovering the whole picture for people with learning disabilities and their families

A one day conference from the National Development Team for inclusion

27th January 2015  
in London



**Chaired by people with learning disabilities and NDTi, with leading thinkers including self-advocates, this conference is about what needs to happen to enable everyone to lead a full and satisfying life as part of the community. It will take a rights based approach to refocusing the agenda on the lives that people with learning disabilities and their families want regarding home, work and relationships.**

## **The conference will cover:**

What works for people with learning disabilities including those with complex needs regarding:

- **Having a home**
- **Having a job**
- **Friendships and relationships**

We will explore how to get this right from the start for people with learning disabilities, and what this means for everyone. Conference delegates will receive a pack of practical tools to take away.

## **This conference is aimed at:**

- Commissioners from Local Authorities and CCGs with a responsibility for planning learning disability services, including people with a responsibility for housing and employment
- Senior managers, strategists, partnership board members, elected members and service managers
- Representatives from provider organisations
- People with learning disabilities and family carers

**Conference speaker Professor Chris Hatton, Centre for Disability Research, Lancaster University said:**

**“Although cuts have been severe, over £7 billion of public money is currently spent on services for people with learning disabilities every year. Many people with learning disabilities and families aren’t getting the support they need, while at the same time public money is being spent on services that are actively harmful to people.**

**This conference is the chance to ask some searching questions about the status of people with learning disabilities within England and how people and families are supported. If we started from a presumption of people with learning disabilities, families and allies being really in charge, what might the pattern of services and supports look like? And what are the practical steps to get there?”**

# The Programme:

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## Morning

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### 9.30 Registration and Refreshments

### 10.00 Welcome from Conference Chairs

Shaun Picken, *My Life My Choice* and  
Sue Turner, *Learning Disability Lead, National Development Team  
for Inclusion (NDTi)*

### 10.10 Opening session: Why we should make rights the starting point of policy and services

Rob Greig, *chief executive, NDTi*

### 10.30 Hear my Voice

Ciara Lawrence and Ismail Kaji, *Mencap*

### 10.35 Home

- Making rights and control at home real for everyone  
*Bill Love, Head of Development Support and Training, NDTi*
- Examples of best practice
- Personalising and reducing the cost
- Co-designing accommodation based support:  
Lived experience – my story *Frena French*

### 11.00 Work

- "It can be done and is being done at a reasonable cost"
  - Messages from the research  
*Rob Greig, Chief Executive, NDTi*
- Case Study: How we are doing it
- Lived experience – my story

### 11:30 Refreshments

### 11:50 Morning Workshops. A choice of workshops including:

- A different way of commissioning support  
*Professor Chris Hatton, Centre for Disability Research, Lancaster  
University and co-director, Improving Health and Lives*
- A rights first approach to housing and support:  
achieving change in large-scale provision  
*Fiona Ritchie, managing director, Turning Point*

- Supporting people with complex needs to gain employment  
*Bill Love, NDTi and Laura Davis, Ways into Work Manager,  
The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead*
- Better health for a better life – addressing health inequalities  
*Sue Turner, NDTi*

## Afternoon

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### 1:00 Lunch

### 1:45 The Justice for LB Bill

Sara Ryan and George Julian

### 2:15 Afternoon Workshops: A choice of workshops including:

- Running the Justice for LB Campaign  
*Sara Ryan and George Julian*
- What really delivers community connections and friendships?  
A challenge to collect local evidence  
*Peter Bates, NDTi, and Claire Wightman, with self-advocates from  
Grapevine (Coventry and Warwickshire)*
- Supporting people with complex needs to gain employment  
*Bill Love, NDTi and Laura Davis, RB of Windsor and Maidenhead*
- Promoting / ensuring people's voices in all these decisions  
*Tom Raines, programme lead - Voice, Choice and Control,  
NDTi and self-advocates from My Life My Choice*

### 3:15 Refreshment Break

### 3.30 Relationships

Access to equal sex and relationships – what we should be seeking to achieve

*Chris Sherwood, Director of External Affairs, Relate*

### 4.00 Reflection and Closing remarks

### 4:15 Close

# Booking Form

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**Tuesday 27th January 2015**

Holiday Inn London Bloomsbury,  
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## How to Book

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## Conference Fees

**One Day Event** £160 + VAT (total £192)

## Cancellations

Cancellations must be in writing one month prior to conference date and will incur an administration charge of £30. We regret that no refunds can be made after this date but we are happy to accept substitute delegates.

## Delegate details

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JOB TITLE	<input type="text"/>
ORGANISATION	<input type="text"/>
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