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What is this delivery plan about?



Lots of different groups have to work together so that Valuing People Now makes a difference to people with learning disabilities and their families.



This is the plan to make Valuing People Now work. It is called a **delivery plan**.

Most of the things in this plan will happen in 2009 to 2010.

Some things will happen over the next 3 years.



Each year there will be a report about what is happening with Valuing People Now and to say what will be done in the next year.

Key priorities 2009 to 2010



There are 6 main things we want to happen in 2009 to 2010. We call them **key priorities**.

A priority is something that is important to do first.

The key priorities are:



- to make sure everyone who works with people with learning disabilities (and everyone else) knows about Valuing People Now.



- to make sure every Partnership Board makes a difference.



- to make sure people with learning disabilities get the healthcare they need.



- to give people more choice about where they live and to close all the NHS campuses.



- to make sure people with learning disabilities get person centred plans and are in control of their lives. This is called **Personalisation**.



- to make sure more people with a learning disabilities get a paid job.

A new way of making sure things happen



A new national group has been set up. It is called the **National Learning Disability Programme Board**.

People on this group are from

- the Government
- the National Forum
- the National Valuing Families Forum
- voluntary organisations



There will be a new group in every region. These will be called **Regional Learning Disability Programme Boards**.

People with learning disabilities and family carers will be on Regional Boards.

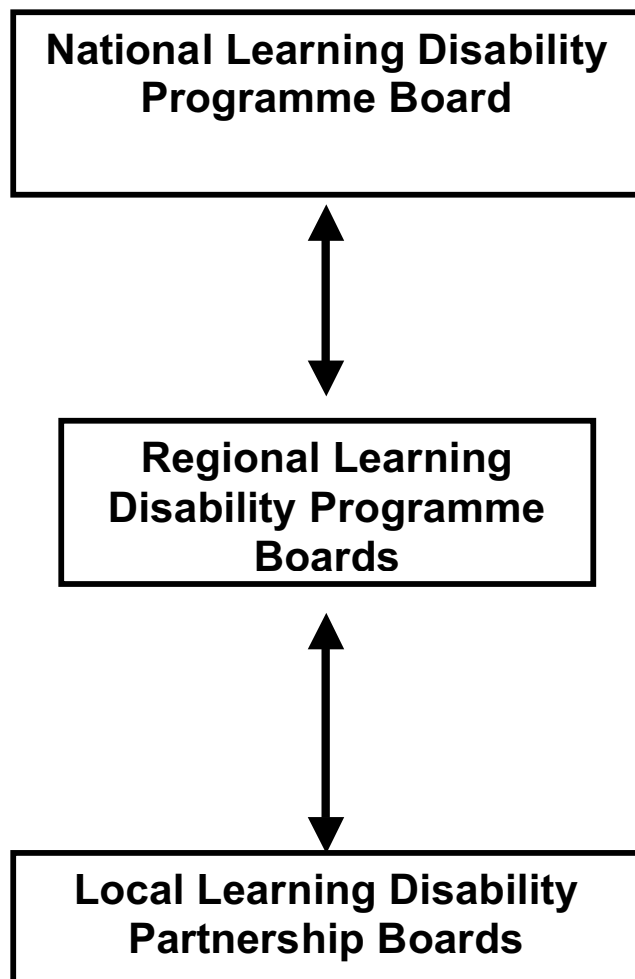


Regional Boards will link to Partnership Boards and to the National Programme Board.

This means that

- information can be shared
- how Valuing People Now is working can be checked

The new structure – how the groups work together



The National Director and the Co-National Director (and their Office)



The job of the National Director and Co-National Director is to lead and support Valuing People Now for the Department of Health (part of the Government).

The new Co-National Director will start work by March 2009.

Here are some of the things the two National Directors (and the people who work for them) will be doing:



- work with other parts of the government.
- get a team together to do the most important work.
- make sure people with complex needs are included in plans.
- put up to date information on the website
www.valuingpeople.gov.uk
- share advice and information about the best ways of making Valuing People Now happen.





- write a report each year on how Valuing People Now is working.

The National Forum for People with Learning Difficulties

The National Forum is the group that speaks up for people with learning disabilities. They work with the Government.

The National Forum members take part in lots of different groups and speak up for people with learning disabilities.

In 2008 to 2009 the National Forum has **4** main things it will work on



- health
- advocacy
- community lives – hate crime, leisure, housing and individual budgets



- transport



The National Forum will work with the Government to make sure Valuing People Now happens.

The National Forum gets support from the Government through the Department of Health.

The National Valuing Families Forum

The National Valuing Families Forum is the group that speaks up for family carers. They work with the Government.



The Families Forum is made up of family carers and carers groups. They work with the National Forum.

In 2009 the Families Forum has **4** main things it will work on



- supporting carers groups to meet the needs of carers of people with learning disabilities.
- supporting people with learning disabilities who are carers.



- supporting families from black and minority ethnic communities.
- supporting older people who are carers.



The Families Forum will work with the Government to make Valuing People Now happen.

Regional action and support



The Department of Health has new people working in every region. They are called **Deputy Regional Directors of Social Care and Partnerships**.

Deputy Regional Directors will work with the Valuing People Regional Leads to make sure Valuing People Now happens.



They will help to set up the new Regional Boards.



The Regional Boards will have the job of checking how well Valuing People Now is working in their area.

Representatives from the 9 Regional Forums and the Regional Family Carer Networks will be on these boards.

The Deputy Regional Directors and Valuing People Leads will also:



- support local Partnership Boards to make sure they are effective
- tell people in their region about Valuing People Now.

Partnership Boards



Partnership Boards should

- help decide what services are needed in their area
- help decide how these services work
- check on how well services are working

Here are some of the things the Office of the National Director will be doing to help Partnership Boards do a good job:



1. Give Partnership Boards

- information and advice
- a way of checking how well they are doing

2. Look at how Partnership Boards can be better at involving



- people with complex needs
- people from black and minority ethnic communities
- family carers



3. Help Partnership Boards come together to share ideas and ways of working.

More about Partnership Boards



Partnership Boards will have to write a report each year about how Valuing People Now is working in their area.



These reports will go to the Regional Boards.



Regional Boards will then send information to the National Programme Board.

Now read about the main points in each section.

Including everyone



Valuing People Now has to happen for everyone.

The Office of the National Director will work with other groups to:



- find out more about people with lots of needs and how they can be helped to communicate
- publish guidance and information about supporting and involving people from other cultures. They will work with the National Advisory Group on Learning Disability and Ethnicity to do this.



- make a strategy (big plan) on Autism
- give carers groups information about how to support family carers of people with learning disabilities.

Personalisation



Personalisation is about planning for and getting the life you want.

The Regional Valuing People Leads will help to make sure that people with learning disabilities and their families benefit from the work being done on Personalisation.

Having a life

Better health



The Department of Health (government) has a group to make sure that people with learning disabilities get the healthcare they need.

This group is going to be called the **Valuing People Health Steering Group**.



This group will make sure that the Department of Health makes healthcare better for people with learning disabilities.

Part of this will be to make sure that people with learning disabilities (known to services) get health checks every year.

Housing



The Office of the National Director will work with other parts of the Department of Health and the Government to

- improve housing opportunities for people with learning disabilities
- close all the NHS campuses

Education, work and getting a life



The Office of the National Director will work with other parts of the Government to:

- make an Employment Strategy (big plan) to help people with learning disabilities get the chance to work
- carry on working on education for young people who are over 16 years old
- carry on making Transition better for young people

Relationships and having a family



Regional Valuing People Leads will help Partnership Boards find out about how many people with learning disabilities are parents.

The Department of Health will support advocacy services that work with parents with learning disabilities.



The Office of the National Director will make sure the Valuing People website has information on it for supporting parents with learning disabilities.

People as citizens

Advocacy



The Office of the National Director will

- support other parts of the Government to make accessible information for people with learning disabilities.
- make guidance and materials to help self advocacy groups get better at speaking up for everyone with a learning disability, including people with complex needs and from other cultures



Transport



The Office of the National Director and the National Forum will work with the Department for Transport (government) to help them make transport more accessible.

Hate crime



The Office of the National Director will

- carry on supporting the Home Office (government) as they make their Disability Hate Crime Strategy (big plan)
- work with the Home Office and other groups to support Partnership Boards to work with local Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships.

Access to leisure services



The Office of the National Director will work with the Department for Media, Culture and Sport (government) to think about how leisure services can be made more accessible to people with learning disabilities.

Developing the workforce

The Office of the National Director will



- work with other parts of the Department of Health to make sure that the Adult Social Care Workforce Strategy (big plan) includes working with people with learning disabilities



- work with other parts of the Government to help them to make sure that staff who work in services are trained to work with people with learning disabilities

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