

Conference 2007

'Abuse:- The Silent Epidemic?'



Summary

The start of 2007 brought not only the usual promise of an exciting New Year but also two shocking reports from the Health Care Commission regarding wide spread Abuse in Services for People with Learning Disabilities in Cornwall and Sutton & Merton.

For those of us who are old enough to remember the enquiries and scandals of the 60's & 70's as well as the shocking film of 1981 'The Silent Minority'; the findings are all too familiar. So has nothing really changed in the intervening years?. Is there really a 'Silent Epidemic' of Abuse within care services for this service user group?

With the Health Care Commission (HCC) announcing its intent to undertake inspections of 200 services for people with learning disabilities within the health care sector from this year, **TRIPOD** would like to share a day of 'exploration' with you, looking at a range of issues relating to Abuse including its impact on the service user; service staff; families and the profession as a whole and the potential implications for the future of nursing in learning disabilities.

Programme Details

Date: Tuesday 25th September 2007

Time: 08:45 - 16:15

Cost: £50:00

Students /others: £25:00

(Cheque's made payable to Tripod)

Venue: Castle Park Conference Centre, Armthorpe Rd, Doncaster, DN2 5QB

Aims:

- 1: To provide delegates with the opportunity to hear from a number of eminent speakers on a diverse range of aspects of Abuse. It is hoped this will provoke debate and discussions on the day as well as back in the workplace.
- 2: To encourage delegates to critically analyse their own practice and examine that of others as well as consider actions and processes of care providers and commissioners.
- 3: The opportunity to network.

Content will include:

The role of the HCC in investigations of Abuse, the use of physical interventions in care provision, research findings in sexual abuse in relation to people with a learning disability, communication with people who have been abused, the service user perspective and the Mental Capacity Act 2005

Who should attend?

Everyone working with and concerned about the welfare, rights and protection of vulnerable groups of people every where.

Contact Details and Booking Form

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Previous conferences have been heavily oversubscribed so early booking is advisable