

Health Stones 14

UK Health and Learning Disability Network For information, queries and to contribute to FPLD health stones contact

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Please copy me into any replies.

Thanks

Janet

1. Easy read CONSENT FORM

Has anyone developed an easy read consent form?

We have an easy read consent booklet already

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2. The wearing of a helmet for a young woman with severe epilepsy

I am trying to gather information of the effectiveness of wearing a helmet/good and bad points and any evidence in this area in order to collect the best available evidence to make a decision on whether this would be in this young woman's best interests. Does anybody out there have any information on epilepsy/helmets or research such as whether helmets are effective against injury/ effects of wearing one re social stigma?

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3. Charles Bonnet Syndrome

Anonymous query please reply to janet@jan-net.co.uk

A woman who is 85 has experienced hallucinations for two years. She lives alone in her own home and is generally in good health. She is aware that this condition is named as Charles Bonnet Syndrome.

The hallucinations in her home are very real to her and whilst she can rationalise how the hallucinations are constructed, when she is outside her home, as soon as she returns to her home environment the hallucinations return. This is becoming increasingly problematic because she is reluctant to go to the bathroom because "people" are in there. She is forced to watch football on TV because "the male visitors" insist on watching the match. She does not like to leave her home because the "children" are too young to leave alone.

What "therapist" are available? She will not take medical suppressants, she does not consider herself to have a "mental health" problem. This is reinforced to others because when she is outside her home she is back to her typical confident self!

Any suggestions would be very welcome.

4. Learning disability and type I diabetes management

Anonymous query please reply to janet@jan-net.co.uk

Does anyone have experience of supporting a young adult with mild learning disability and type I diabetes? I am looking to work with him and the GP practice to develop a sustainable model of support that involves developing his self management skills. He lives on his own with no other input aside from Primary Care. Many thanks

5. Triangle of Care

Our mental health NHS trust is committed to rolling out Triangle of Care - a partnership between service user, carer and professional which includes a new universal self-assessment tool.

As LD Services are part of the organisation we are included in this. Has anyone used Triangle of Care in the LD setting? I would be interested in finding out how you found its implementation in practice?

Many thanks

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6. Privatisation of the NHS: Prof Allyson Pollock at TEDxExeter - YouTube

Allyson Pollock is professor of public health research and policy at Queen Mary, University of London.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cz5dl9fhj7o>

PLEASE SHARE THIS FAR AND WIDE - The privatisation of the NHS is a real threat to vulnerable people including pwld

Janet

7. NHS Continuing Healthcare E-Learning tool

This e-learning programme is a training programme for practitioners involved in the NHS Continuing Healthcare assessment and review process working within the NHS and Local Authorities in England for their own personal training and development to support consistency throughout England. It follows the National Framework for NHS Continuing Healthcare and NHS-Funded Nursing Care November 2012 (revised) for NHS Continuing Healthcare

The e-learning is designed to be free to use for all those practitioners and as a result is not available for sharing via local networks. Individuals within your network who are practitioners can request manual registration by providing their name, organisation, job title / role, e-mail address and the rationale for access via this e-mail address.

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8. National framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care

The national framework for NHS continuing healthcare and NHS funded nursing care sets out the principles and processes for determining eligibility. The associated tools (a checklist, decision support tool and fast track pathway tool), which are designed to help clinicians and practitioners with the decision making process, have also been revised accordingly. NHS continuing healthcare is an ongoing package of health and social care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS where an individual is found to have a „primary health need“. Such care is provided to an individual aged 18 or over, to meet needs that have arisen as a result of disability, accident or illness. The easy read version has just been published on the Department of Health website along with documents provided in word format for use by those involved in the assessment process for NHS continuing healthcare.

Click here to download the documents including **easy read**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-framework-for-nhs-continuing-healthcare-and-nhs-funded-nursing-care>

Information for families of people with learning disabilities is available for download by clicking here.

www.learningdisabilities.org.uk/content/assets/pdf/publications/NHS_CHC.pdf?view=Standard

9. Going into hospital with a learning disability

If someone has a significant learning disability, these 10 steps can help make their hospital visits a success. Please see nhs Choices <http://bit.ly/1q7Bt8F>

10. Helping patients with learning disabilities through the radiology journey

<http://www.sor.org/news/helping-patients-learning-disabilities-through-radiology-journey>

11. Stories at the Dentist

<http://dentistry.dundee.ac.uk/stories-dentist>

12. NHS England publishes Understanding the new NHS – A guide for everyone working and training within the NHS

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/2014/06/26/understanding-nhs/>

13. Research on language of people with Down syndrome

<http://www.choicesupport.org.uk/index.php/news-blog/226-ucl-collaboration-reach-on-language-for-people-with-down-syndrome>

14. CCGs must do more to improve learning disability discharge rates

<http://www.thecommissioningreview.com/article/ccgs-must-do-more-improve-learning-disability-discharge-rates>

15. Person centred safety planning can help to manage risk and support recovery, new briefing paper shows

http://www.centreformentalhealth.org.uk/news/2014_Risk_Recovery_and_Safety.aspx

16. Outcomes and performance in liaison psychiatry

http://www.centreformentalhealth.org.uk/publications/outcomes_and_liaison_psychiatry.aspx?ID=707

17. Suicidal ideation and suicide plans or attempts in adults with Asperger's syndrome attending a specialist diagnostic clinic: a clinical cohort study

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanpsy/article/PIIS2215-0366%2814%2970248-2/abstract>

18. Keys to diversion - Best practice for offenders with multiple needs

http://www.centreformentalhealth.org.uk/news/2014_keys_to_diversion.aspx

19. Dosh

<http://www.dosh.org/>

20. Please save our antibiotics

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/please-save-our-antibiotics?>

21. Say NO to Alcohol in Pregnancy campaign

<http://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/say-no-to-alcohol-in-pregnancy>

22. University of South Wales - places available for learning disability nursing course commencing September 2014

Do you, or someone you know, want to develop a career as a learning disability nurse?

Do you want to undertake a course with a good reputation for both its teaching and its research?

If you do places are available on the BN (Learning Disability) course starting in September 2014 at the University of South Wales.

For further information regarding the three year course please contact Dr Robert Jenkins (Robert.jenkins@southwales.ac.uk) and follow the link below which will take you to the course pages:

<http://courses.southwales.ac.uk/courses/31-bachelor-of-nursing-hons-learning-disabilities>

23. Nursing Times Award

The Nursing Times Awards recognise staff that put patients at the centre of care in order to improve outcomes. The awards received over 700 sentries this year. It aims to showcase innovative work from healthcare professionals which is shown to improve the treatment and care provided to patients and service users.

Paula Phillips, clinical nurse specialist and service manager for the Forensic Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) in Wakefield, has been shortlisted in the 'Nurse of the Year' and 'Nurse Leader of the Year' category which recognises people who have gone above and beyond in their day-to-day role and truly exceptional leaders. As far as we are aware this is the first time for anyone to be shortlisted in these two categories simultaneously.

Paula's lead role in developing a new Wakefield Forensic CAMHS service attracted national recognition for its innovative, flexible and young person's-centred approach. Paula directly involved young people in plans to develop the service and used their feedback to creative positive results. Paula also championed making the service more accessible by simplifying and opening up the referral pathways to a variety of agencies including social care and the wider youth justice sector. The development of the service has led to reduced waiting times and positive feedback from service users, carers and professionals about the quality care they receive and has contributed to the integration between health and social care in Wakefield.

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24. **Improving oral health: an evidence-informed toolkit for local authorities**
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/improving-oral-health-an-evidence-informed-toolkit-for-local-authorities>
25. **Equality Act 2010: advice for schools**
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/equality-act-2010-advice-for-schools>
26. **Preparing for Adulthood E-bulletin**
<http://www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk/what-we-do/best-practice-and-information/e-bulletin>
27. **British Academy of Childhood Disability**
Maternity and Children's Data set
<http://bacdis.org.uk/policy/>
28. **Childhood Disability Research Priority Setting Partnership**
<http://www.bacdis.org.uk/research/psp.htm>
29. **Bullying and the Law**
<http://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/schools-the-wider-sector/the-law.aspx>
30. **Preventing bullying**
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preventing-and-tackling-bullying>
31. **Schools Project - homophobic and transphobic bullying and hate crime. Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender hate crime: classroom activities and guidance for teachers**
A free educational resource pack aimed at tackling homophobic and transphobic bullying and hate crime amongst young people. It contains video clips, information and lesson plans, to help teachers to explore these issues.
http://www.cps.gov.uk/northwest/get_involved/hate_crime/schools_project_lgbt_hate_crime/
32. **Dublin City University is part of a major new Irish-led EU research programme in Autism and Intellectual Disability.**
<http://www.dcu.ie/news/2014/jun/s0614x.shtml>
33. **Identifying side effects of epilepsy drug treatment in people with learning disability**
<http://www.epilepsyresearch.org.uk/identifying-side-effects-of-epilepsy-drug-treatment-in-people-with-a-learning-disability/>
34. **Intellectual Disability News**
News from around the world about people with intellectual disabilities (learning disability in the UK)
<https://flipboard.com/section/intellectual-disability-news-bbjMoj>
35. **Restraint reduction network**
<http://restraintreductionnetwork.org/>
36. **The Mental Health Dementia and Neurology Intelligence Network (MHDNIN)**
<http://www.yhpho.org.uk/mhdnin>

37. Mobile Technology and PwLD

Inclusive Media Solutions specialise in mobile technology for Learning Disabilities and work with various organisations such as Education, Local Authorities, NHS, charities, businesses, parent/carers, professionals and individuals to promote independence through the use of mobile technology.

Inclusive Media Solutions have developed a product that allows people with learning disabilities to scan items around their home with a Smart Device and it will play an video to use that item for example; Scanning the kettle with an iPad and it begins to play a video of how to make a cup of coffee.

For more information please visit <http://www.inclusivemediasolutions.co.uk> or email will@inclusivemediasolutions.co.uk

38. Choice Support in Europe FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AWARDS CEREMONY OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR PERSON CENTERED HEALTHCARE

<http://www.pchealthcare.org.uk/conferences/2014/07/first-annual-conference-and-awards-ceremony-european-society-person-centered>

Session 6 - Person-centered support for adults with learning difficulties: an evaluation Professor Roger Ellis Emeritus Professor in Psychology, University of Ulster and University of Chester and Choice Support UK

Work presented: <http://www.centreforwelfarereform.org/library/by-az/isfs-in-action.html>

other Choice Support publications

<http://www.choicesupport.org.uk/index.php/publications>

39. 2014 CPI European Conference

<http://www.crisisprevention.com/en-uk/conference/2014-cpi-european-conference>

40. Beyond Words new job opportunity Operations Manager

Are you an all-round manager with an innovative approach to your work, a commitment to improving lives and to working in the not-for-profit sector? After 25 years of publishing 'Books Beyond Words' we are expanding our friendly and professional team. We are seeking a highly motivated and enterprising individual with a commitment to people with learning disabilities and proven skills in management including financial management, fundraising and staff management. Experience of marketing and/or publishing is desirable. The successful candidate will join our senior team and work alongside our Executive Director, and Baroness Hollins, our founder and Chair.

For more information visit <http://booksbeyondwords.co.uk/news/would-you-work-beyond-words>

Or email: jobs@booksbeyondwords.co.uk

41. CBF Vacancies

<http://www.challengingbehaviour.org.uk/about-us/vacancies/vacancies.html>

42. Lecturer (Learning Disability) Queen's University Belfast - School of Nursing and Midwifery

<http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/AJA703/lecturer-learning-disability/>

43. LONDON DVD launch

Colleagues from the Tizard Centre and United Response will be launching a DVD developed as part of an adding value initiative funded by SSCR. Promoting Person Centred Support and Positive Outcomes for people with intellectual and development

disabilities will be launched at BFI Southbank on Thursday 24 July from 15.30.
<http://www.bfi.org.uk>

Email Lindsey Simmonds for more details.
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44. A novel for and about adults and young people with a learning disability

When Amy met Gary is the first novel in the lively and engaging Magnolia Street series which has been written for and about adults and young people with a learning disability. Meet Amy, Jack, Brenda and Gary who guide the reader through their everyday lives. To find out more please visit the Magnolia Street website at www.magnoliastreet.co.uk

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45. CARDIFF Free half day Nursing Seminar for all RMN / RNLDS “Working with Psychopaths: Essential Nursing Skills”

Delivered by Professor Nicola Gray, Professor Bob Snowdon and Dr Robert Stamatakis

Friday 18th July 2014 at Ty Catrin Hospital, Cardiff.

Timetable:

9.30 – Registration and Coffee

10.00 – Seminar

12.30 – Light lunch provided

Spaces are limited. To book please contact the HR department on 02920 556300 or email hr@pastoralhealthcare.co.uk.

You will need to have your nursing pin when booking.

46. LONDON Positive Practices in Behavioural Support

www.iaba.com/brochures/UK2014.pdf.

07 - 10 October 2014

47. LONDON Beyond Words training 17 July 2014

Facilitated by Baroness Sheila Hollins and Beyond Words training team

Venue: St George's University of London, Room H6.4 6th Floor, Hunter Wing, London. SW17 0RE

When: 17 July 2014, 10am (for 10.30am) –3.30pm

An interactive workshop for family carers, support workers, self advocates and professionals. This training will help you explore further how to read the books - whether as a carer, support worker, educator or volunteer. Discover how using the books in groups or one-to-one can help transform attitudes and empower people to understand their world, make choices and actively live their lives. We will look at reading the books in social and community settings (including at home, in community groups, when accessing education or services, and in reading groups or 'Book Clubs').

To register contact Mel Coulton: melcoulton@booksbeyondwords.co.uk

For more information please visit www.booksbeyondwords.co.uk

48. LONDON Learning Disabilities Conference 11th July

As a member of the *UK Health and Learning Disability network* I'd like to make you aware of discounted rate to attend *Capita Conferences' National Learning Disabilities Conference*; which is perfectly timed to address the recent developments in policy that will affect the service delivery of the care of people with learning disabilities.

The conference will cover:

- An update from the Winterbourne View Joint Improvement Board and the progress on delivering their recommendations
- Understand how to offer meaningful and sustainable employment opportunities to people with learning disabilities by planning strategically and providing coaching and internship opportunities
- Explore the practical challenges of commissioning community based care and gain a national perspective on how commissioning is changing
- Hear from the Care Quality Commission on how to successfully apply the Mental Capacity Act to ensure that liberty is safeguarded
- Look at how to deliver greater choice and independence in your housing options
- Analyse how to effectively safeguard adults with learning disabilities, by identifying risks at an early stage

Discount for Nurses and Allied Healthcare Professionals

You can now attend at the concessionary discount rate of £245 plus VAT – *Previous rate £350 plus VAT – 30% saving*

Please follow the link below or email michael.keane@capita.co.uk for a conference brochure; and if you have any questions or would like to book a place please don't hesitate to get in touch.

(Link for brochure -

http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/pdfgen.html?filename=Learning_Disabilities.pdf&code=TSMK)

49. LONDON NOFAS-UK CONFERENCE 14 October 2014 CPD REGISTERED CONFERENCE

Come and learn from the experts:

Dr Raja Mukherjee (Consultant Psychiatrist)

Dr Mary Mather (Consultant Community Paediatrician)

Celia Dawson (Head Teacher, Special Needs School)

Joanna Buckard (Lecturer, Chesterfield College)

Tracey Hayter (Birth Mother of Child with FASD)

Susan Fleisher (Executive Director/Founder of NOFAS-UK)

Registration Fee: £25

Organised for Health Professionals (GP's, Health Visitors, Nurses), Social Workers, Foster Carers, Teachers, Parents and Guardians

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www.nofas-uk.org

50. Winterbourne View Programme

Consultation Events have been launched for Mental Health Act Code of Practice.

[Mental Health Act Code of Practice Consultation Event for Service Users](#)

The dates of these events are:

Tuesday 22 July in Leeds Quarry House from 11 until 15.00 and

Wednesday 30 July in London Skipton House at 11 until 15.00.

Please follow the link below if you would like to register for one of these events.

<http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/departement-of-health-england-2923126649>

[Mental Health Act Code of Practice Consultation Event for Professionals](#)

7 July 2014 11:00 - 15:00 in Leeds
16 July 2014 11:00 - 15:00 in Birmingham
28 July 2014 11:00 - 15:00 in Corfe
5 August 2014 09:30 - 12:30 in London
5 August 2014 14:00 - 17:00 in London

Please follow the link below if you would like to register for one of these events.
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