

## Health Stones 4 - part 2 VACANCIES & EVENTS

### UK Health and Learning Disability Network

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Please find attached the **fourth** edition of Health Stones part 2

## VACANCIES

### 1. NDTi Opportunity Alert!

NDTi are currently looking to appoint a new Project Manager to help take forward the Improving Health and Lives (IHaL) programme, that we deliver in partnership with Public Health England and Lancaster University.

The Learning Disability specialist Public Health Observatory (IHaL) has made a major contribution towards improving knowledge and practice about the health of adults with learning disabilities, and the role of Project Manager with NDTi is an exciting opportunity for the right person to join the NDTi family and make a real contribution to the ongoing delivery of this vital programme.

Full details of the role are provided on the NDTi website at [www.ndti.org.uk/about-ndti/vacancies](http://www.ndti.org.uk/about-ndti/vacancies).

We're looking for someone who is knowledgeable about national policy and issues relating to the health of people with learning disabilities, who is well connected in the field and can demonstrate a track record of achieving organisational change. The right person to lead this programme of work will be committed to innovative ways of improving health for people with learning disabilities, have great presentation skills and be able to write clearly and succinctly for a range of audiences.

If this sounds like someone you know, please do forward this email to them and encourage them to apply.

NDTi can offer a salary of up to £45,000 (pro rata) and the role is part-time (24.5 hours) with an opportunity for the right person to work additional hours helping to progress the interesting and varied work that NDTi undertakes.

Ideally, the role would be based here at our Head Office in Bath. However, there is an opportunity for the post holder to work from home with a regular presence in Bath. As you will appreciate, the role involves significant national travel.

The closing date for completed applications is noon on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014**.

### 2. ISLINGTON Community Mental Health Nurse

Employer: [Camden & Islington NHS Foundation Trust](#)

Department: Islington Learning Disabilities Partnership

Location: London

Salary: £30,940 to £40,809 pa inclusive of HCAS

NHS Jobs Reference: 455-MH47-EJ

[https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/a5ba3c0cc9192647d6edffa40bc49620/?vac\\_ref=913373594](https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/a5ba3c0cc9192647d6edffa40bc49620/?vac_ref=913373594)

### 3. HOUNSLOW Behaviour Assistant

Hounslow and Richmond Community Healthcare NHS Trust

Department: Community Learning Disabilities Team

Location: Hounslow

Salary: £21,388 to £27,901 Per Annum

[http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/2320d1d3f7c59429952e84dad9be985a/?vac\\_ref=913372252](http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/2320d1d3f7c59429952e84dad9be985a/?vac_ref=913372252)

NHS Jobs Reference: 779-PY-45

For informal enquiries please contact: Sarah Hastings (Board Certified Behaviour Analyst) or Sophie Langford (Psychology Clinical Services Manager) on 02085833529.

#### 4. LONDON Respond

Young People's Service Coordinator

35 hours (5 days a week)

£32,480 (FTE)

<http://www.respond.org.uk/who-we-are/work-for-us/>

Closing Date for applications: 5pm Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Interviews W/C 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014

For more information and an application form please contact:

James Hawkins on 020 7874 5487 or email [admin@respond.org.uk](mailto:admin@respond.org.uk) or go to our website to download all the details.

#### 5. LONDON Respond

Family Support Service Coordinator

28 hours (4 days a week)

£34,794 (FTE)

<http://www.respond.org.uk/who-we-are/work-for-us/>

Closing Date for applications: 11<sup>th</sup> May

Interviews 21<sup>st</sup> May

For more information and an application form please contact:

Noelle Blackman on 020 7874 5484 or email [admin@respond.org.uk](mailto:admin@respond.org.uk)

## EVENTS

### 1. LONDON EVENT Social Care 2014: Better Guidance, Better Care Monday, the 15th of September 2014 at the Mermaid, the city of London.

**We are inviting you to attend with a FULLY FUNDED\* ticket as you are a Member of Jan-Net Networks.**

FULLY FUNDED\* tickets are currently being made available for those public and third sector delegates who qualify.

To register your attendance and to see if you qualify for this event, please telephone 0161 6865576 or email [bookings@govtoday.co.uk](mailto:bookings@govtoday.co.uk) quoting code: **JAN6**

For further information about the event visit: <http://better-care.socialcarereform.co.uk/>, <https://better-care.govtoday.co.uk/>.

The GovToday team look forward to meeting you again!

*\* If, once registered, you are for any reason no longer able to attend this event, please ensure that you avoid the £55 cancellation fee by letting us know no less than 48 hours before, or nominating a colleague to take your place*

Speakers **INCLUDE:**

**Jo Cleary(CONFIRMED)**

Chair

The College of Social Work



**Patrick Hall(CONFIRMED)**

Practice Development Manager  
Social Care Institute for Excellence

**Gillian Leng CBE(CONFIRMED)**

Deputy Chief Executive and Director for Health and Social Care  
National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE)

**Mick Mellors(CONFIRMED)**

Social Care Commissioning Specialist and Commentator  
Independent

**Debbie Sorkin(CONFIRMED)**

Chief Executive  
National Skills Academy for Social Care

**Andrea Sutcliffe(CONFIRMED)**

Chief Inspector of Adult Social Care  
Care Quality Commission

**2. LONDON FPLD We ran our first Learning Disability Awareness training day at our London office in February and we're looking forward to running our second one in June.**

Our experienced trainers, including people with learning disabilities, have been delivering learning disability awareness training for several years across the country but we're now pleased to be holding courses at our base in central London.

This training is aimed at people working in mainstream services and organisations who want to improve their knowledge and understanding about living with a learning disability.

The next training day will be held on Friday 6 June 2014.

[Find out more, including information about how to book your place](http://www.fpld.org.uk/about-us/consultancy-training/)  
<http://www.fpld.org.uk/about-us/consultancy-training/>

**3. CHESTER EVENT The University of Chester 2nd Conference on intellectual disability and criminal justice Tuesday 22nd July 2014**

The publication of the Bradley Report in 2009, acknowledged the unmet needs of people with an intellectual disability who come into contact with the criminal justice system and provided a series of recommendations.

This conference aims to bring together key stakeholders from a variety of disciplines to discuss the achievements and challenges experienced in the proceeding 5 years, to share good practice and to consider how to maintain the momentum for improving the accessibility and availability of services in the future.

Confirmed speakers include: Rt Hon Lord Bradley, author of the Bradley Report, His Honour Judge Robert Atherton, and Jenny Talbot OBE, from the Prison Reform Trust.

*Conference rates:*

The delegate fee is £75 (including conference pack, lunch and refreshments and free parking).

We have a limited number of concessionary places available for this event for people with intellectual disabilities, carers and undergraduate students.

The concessionary fee is £40. If you wish to be considered please contact the conference organiser, Joanne Skellern, directly for further details

(email: [j.skellern@chester.ac.uk](mailto:j.skellern@chester.ac.uk) ).

For further information and to book a place please visit:

[http://storefront.chester.ac.uk/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&cPath=6&products\\_id=314&zenid=760vleq22do5fj8tf6k61ie256](http://storefront.chester.ac.uk/index.php?main_page=product_info&cPath=6&products_id=314&zenid=760vleq22do5fj8tf6k61ie256)

**4. VARIOUS LOCATIONS Academy for Justice Commissioning - Academy Events**  
[http://www.academyforjusticecommissioning.org.uk/document.php?doctype\[\]=60](http://www.academyforjusticecommissioning.org.uk/document.php?doctype[]=60)

**5. NORTHAMPTON 5th St Andrew's Autism Conference: Updates in Autism Spectrum Conditions Tuesday 6 May 2014 ONLY TWO WEEKS TO GO**

Following the success of our last ASD event, we would like to invite you to the 5th St Andrew's autism conference taking place 6 May 2014 (postponed from November 2013).

This conference, updates in autism spectrum disorders, brings together a number of speakers with expertise in autism to discuss the recent developments and challenges in this field. Topics will include diagnostic categories, treatment interventions, rehabilitation, offender health and risk management.

Our aim is to provide informed, evidence-based updates and encourage sharing of experience and best practice in this evolving area. This event will be of value to multidisciplinary professionals, clinicians, academics and psychiatric trainees, as well as commissioners, case managers and others indirectly involved in delivery of care. Please feel free to share with any of your colleagues who may be interested in attending.

Feedback from our last ASD conference:

87% of delegates felt their personal objectives for attending were fully or partly met  
98% of delegates said they would attend another conference hosted by St Andrew's

If you would like to book your place or for more information [please download our programme and booking form by clicking here](#). Places are limited, so book now to avoid disappointment. If you require any further information, please contact Liz Evans on 01604 616 584 or email [ecevans@standrew.co.uk](mailto:ecevans@standrew.co.uk)

**6. GLASGOW Annual conference 2014 'End of life care planning for people with learning disabilities**

Karen Watchman Alzheimer Scotland Lecturer in Dementia, Alzheimer Scotland Centre for Policy & Practice, University of West of Scotland

The Palliative Care for People with Learning Disabilities (PCPLD) Network will hold their annual conference in Glasgow this year.

Booking is now open. [http://www.pcpld.org/beta/wp-content/uploads/PCPLD\\_Network\\_Conference\\_2014\\_flyer1.pdf](http://www.pcpld.org/beta/wp-content/uploads/PCPLD_Network_Conference_2014_flyer1.pdf)

**7. BIRMINGHAM Migloo & NAIDEX Stand (F 10) Birmingham NEC from 29th April - 1st May 2014**

<http://www.migloo.co.uk/index.html>

Migloo is a brand new product and is globally unique, making its debut at Naidex 2014.

Migloo is a portable changing suite and toilet for people with a wide range of disabilities and handicaps. No longer having to be left at home with carers, Migloo gives the ability and complete freedom for things such as family picnics in the countryside, trips to the seaside and attending major events in towns and cities.

Migloo allows access to all areas where there are no changing places or High Dependency Units (HDU's).

Migloo is a complete mobile changing suite. It comprises of a sturdy and very private awning, an integral hoist and other equipment such as a changing bed and/or a commode, with more than sufficient room for the user and one or two helpers. Migloo takes around 10 minutes to set up (and also disassemble) and is fully portable, easily fitting inside most vehicles that have been adapted to carry wheelchairs - along with the occupants.

For more information contact John Robinson

[john@migloo.co.uk](mailto:john@migloo.co.uk)

07856 196973.

**8. BIRMINGHAM Better Care Fund and Beyond Through Creative Commissioning & Provision**

<https://www.housingandsupport.org.uk/site/hasa/templates/general.aspx?pageid=368&cc=gb>

<http://www.centreforwelfarereform.org/news/better-care-yond-12-june/00153.html>

*About this event*

This event is being hosted by the New Economics Foundation, the Centre for Welfare Reform, the Community Gateway CIC and the Housing and Support Alliance.

It is about promoting approaches to commissioning that give people with disabilities, mental health and older people a valued place in their communities.

We will be exploring non-traditional, person centred and creative approaches which will enable local areas to achieve maximum impact and make best use of money and resources across local government and health services.

If you are brave enough to be challenged, you will go away from this event with a range of simple but effective ideas related to health and care commissioning and provision.

**9. GLASGOW Understanding and managing challenging behaviour, 10 June 2014**

The programme of this conference, organised by The National Autistic Society, will discuss the causes of anxiety for people with autism and the types of behaviour which can be used to express this anxiety.

As well as keynote presentations discussing approaches to supporting the behaviour and looking at sleep difficulties that people on the spectrum face, the conference will feature three seminar streams: Adult services, Family support and School support. They will focus on issues such as physical restraint, challenging behaviour in schools, using sensory understanding for classroom intervention and support, toileting issues and communication challenges.

[www.autism.org.uk/conferences/behaviour2014](http://www.autism.org.uk/conferences/behaviour2014)

**10. MANCHESTER Autism and mental health conference, 17 June 2014**

This conference, organised by The National Autistic Society, will give you the tools and strategies you need to identify and provide targeted support for children and adults with an ASD who have mental health difficulties. Our keynote presentation will look at the complex relationship between autism and mental health, discussing why differential diagnosis and treatment may be necessary in these cases.

There are three different streams to choose from. The first stream will look at diagnostic challenges where there are overlapping or similar presentations, including anxiety disorder and OCD. Our second stream will discuss how to adapt therapies and interventions to make them appropriate for people with autism. The third stream will address how to support and help with mental health difficulties for young people in school environments, to avoid issues reaching a crisis point.

[www.autism.org.uk/conferences/mentalhealth2014](http://www.autism.org.uk/conferences/mentalhealth2014)

**11. LONDON The Research Autism Lorna Wing series of conferences and seminars present: Autism and Learning Disabilities: Lessons from research, policy and practice**

Date: Tuesday 1 July 2014, 9.00am – 4.30pm

Venue: Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, London WC1H 9BD

In response to requests to focus on children and adults who have a learning disability in addition to autism- we will be presenting practical and research-based experience related to the education, care and support of this group. We will be bringing together researchers and practitioners in the field and hearing family perspectives of their needs and aspirations.

*Themes to be covered:*

- The health needs of children and adults with autism and learning disabilities
- Implications of the sensory world
- Approaches to autism and severe communication difficulties
- Sleep issues
- Family perspectives
- The special educational needs of children with autism and learning disabilities
- Models of social care and support for adults

Speakers to include:

- Dr Julie Beadle-Brown, Reader in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Tizard Centre, University of Kent
- Dr Luci Wiggs, Reader in Psychology, Oxford Brookes University
- Dr Juli Crocombe, Clinical Director for Autism and Consultant Psychiatrist, St Andrew's Healthcare
- Nicci Paine, Clinical Specialist Occupational Therapist, Leap Childrens Therapy
- Keith Wyncoll, Father & Autism Trainer

You can see the full speaker list on our website.

[http://researchautism.net/pages/about\\_research\\_autism/research\\_autism\\_events/20140701\\_learning\\_disability\\_and\\_autism](http://researchautism.net/pages/about_research_autism/research_autism_events/20140701_learning_disability_and_autism)

To book please visit the website

[http://researchautism.net/pages/about\\_research\\_autism/research\\_autism\\_events/events-online-booking-form](http://researchautism.net/pages/about_research_autism/research_autism_events/events-online-booking-form)

If you have any questions please email Anoushka at [events@researchautism.net](mailto:events@researchautism.net)

**12. LONDON, GLASGOW & SHEFFIELD Train the Trainer: Learning Disabilities Breast Health Promotion courses:**

- Thursday 29th May – London
- Wednesday 11th June – Glasgow
- Thursday 3rd July – Sheffield City Centre

The course is designed for those who are keen to cascade the breast awareness message, to help improve early detections rates of breast cancer particularly amongst women with mild to moderate learning disabilities.

The training will cover a number of learning objectives, including:

- Enable trainees to deliver breast health messages in a tailored and appropriate way to the level of disability they encounter in women they are working with or caring for

- Enable trainees to understand the range of barriers and related issues to breast health awareness faced by women with mild to moderate learning disabilities
- Enable trainees to access a range of information, support and resources offered by organisations who work directly with or target this client group
- Share ideas and best practice with healthcare professionals and carers working with this same group.

Cost of the course is £60pp. If you require further information or to book a place, please contact us at: [bhp@breastcancercare.org.uk](mailto:bhp@breastcancercare.org.uk) or call 0845 092 0809. Places are limited and given on a first-come first-serve basis.

### **13. LONDON RCN Health Care Assistant Conference 2014: Book Now**

[http://www.rcn.org.uk/newsevents/news/article/london/hca\\_conference\\_2014](http://www.rcn.org.uk/newsevents/news/article/london/hca_conference_2014)

### **14. BELFAST Registration open: Europe in Action 2014 - Growing up with an intellectual disability - a major European conference 15-17 May 2014**

Europe in Action 2014, the annual conference on learning disability, is being held this year in Belfast for the first time from 15 to 17 May and will explore the theme of 'Growing up with an intellectual disability.'

Co-organised by Mencap and Inclusion Europe, the European Association of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, the conference will explore the impact of learning disability on the lives of individuals and families from three different perspectives:

- About me – early intervention, advocacy, becoming independent
- About us – me and my family, supporting and strengthening families
- About you – me and my neighbourhood, building inclusive and welcoming communities.

The conference will be attended by people with a learning disability, families, carers, professionals and policy makers from across Europe and is an exciting opportunity to take part in a European conference that is being held in Northern Ireland for the first time.

The conference offers a unique platform to discuss issues that matter to people with a learning disability and their families, both here and in the rest of Europe. The outcomes from Europe in Action 2014 will also help to inform local / Europe-wide policy.

For more information on the conference see the Europe in Action website [www.EuropeInAction.org](http://www.EuropeInAction.org), email [karen.clarke@mencap.org.uk](mailto:karen.clarke@mencap.org.uk) or call 028 9069 1351. To attend, register at [www.e-include.info/europeinaction/registration](http://www.e-include.info/europeinaction/registration)

### **15. CONTACT FOR DETAILS Sage and Thyme Training**

<http://www.sageandthymetraining.org.uk/>