

Integrate@25

'Back to the Future' –
agendas and challenges



Tuesday 11th November 2008

A One-Day Conference celebrating the development of services in the community for adults with learning disabilities across the last 25 years and looking at the changes and challenges presented by the inclusion of ALL people irrespective of level of disability and the government personalisation agendas.



'Individual Support for Individual People'

Keynote speakers:

John O'Brien and Professor Duncan Mitchell

Organised by:

Integrate (Preston & Chorley) Ltd

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Background to the Conference

Integrate's first services started in 1983, resettling people back to their home town, Preston, into ordinary terraced housing, developing individually tailored support. With a strong commitment to integration into the community, Integrate developed other services, some in partnership including community and employment services and a wider delivery to other disabled groups

Integrate's extensive partnership with the University of Central Lancashire includes early development work in Plungington Community Centre, its first adult education classes in their computer department and long-term partnership working in social work student placements including a joint staff appointment. This conference celebrates the lives of the people they support and have supported as well as the partnership working in their home town enhancing their lives.

The Conference aims:

- ▶ To bring together a number of current and past partners and other professionals to celebrate together the developments made across the last 25 years in the learning disability services
- ▶ To give the opportunity for both UCLan and Integrate's lead specialists with some service users to share their practice - all of whom have histories with Integrate's service development
- ▶ To consider the learning across the past 25 years particularly in the North-West and to share wider international perspectives from North America and Europe
- ▶ To look at the government and service contexts today and look forward to the forthcoming challenges from the inclusion of people with multiple disabilities through to the challenges and opportunities of the government personalisation agendas.

Who should attend:

- ▶ Those who have journeyed with us at times across the past 25 years and who have been part of the passion in the North-West to dare to challenge convention in the development of individual community services offering real empowerment and options for people
- ▶ Those professionals who would like to touch base with their vision and look towards the future
- ▶ Those professionals who may have missed some of the journey but believe that the past has important messages to teach us for the future.
- ▶ Professionals from other adult disciplines who should find relevance to all vulnerable groups

The Programme content includes:

Keynote speakers: John O'Brien from the US who has worked with professionals in the North-West over more than the last 25 years and continues to inspire

Professor Duncan Mitchell whose research on and contribution to the history in learning disability and nursing services is renowned

Workshop presenters include many others of the sector's foremost contributors delivering on key issues today:

Service brokerage; comparative European services; supported employment; developing social enterprises; community support with high risk groups; a lead on the role of learning disability nursing; the service users' perspectives including person centred planning; support to severe postural disabilities from specialist supports.

Proposed Programme

09.30 am	Refreshments and Registration
10.00 am	Introductions/Welcome - Integrate and looking forward Rosemary Trustam – Chief Executive Integrate (Preston & Chorley) Ltd
10.20 am	Where we've come from; was it all worth it? Professor Duncan Mitchell – Manchester Metropolitan University
11.05am	Tea/Coffee
11.30 am	Workshops: A) International comparisons of services - Adam's world tour – Dr David Race B) Meeting the needs of parents with learning disabilities – Dawn Judd C) High risk management in community services – John Hutchinson D) Conversations – What has been our perspective? (Service users and Board trustees) E) Health and nursing perspectives – Christine Hutchinson
12.30 pm	LUNCH – with the opportunity to view DVD footage on projects and look at stalls with resources and Inclusion Press.
1.30 pm	The journey from the North-West beginnings - looking forward John O'Brien (The Centre on Human Policy, Syracuse University)
2.15 pm	Workshops: F) Brokerage/individual service-led services – Ken Jupp G) How person-centred approaches changed our lives – Susan and Frank H) Postural Care - making a real difference – PCSP(UK) Ltd I) Developing social enterprises – Christine Heasleywood J) Experiences from Scotland with supported employment – Dr Julie Ridley
3.15 pm	Plenary – Questions for the future (Panel of the speakers and invited others)
4.00 pm	Evaluation and end

Conference Information

Booking Information

Conference Fee: £75 (includes refreshments and an Indian vegetarian buffet lunch).

Please note places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Early booking is advisable.

Payment Terms

On completion of the booking form, payment may be made by cheque or organisational invoice. The return of the booking form is regarded as a firm booking

Cancellation can be made up to 21 days prior to the conference but any refund will be subject to an administrative fee of £20. After this date there can be no refund.

Substitution of delegates can be made, but should be notified prior to the day - or immediately upon arrival.

Special Needs

The venue caters for wheelchair access and there are disabled parking spaces reserved. We are happy to make any specific arrangements which may be needed which can be clarified upon booking.

All catering can cater for special diets if these are indicated upon booking.

Car Parking

There is a limited amount of car parking available, but the venue is within walking distance of the train station. You will be asked to park at the Fishergate Centre/rail station as spaces will be prioritised for people with disability requirements. Please ensure on booking that you indicate your requirements.

Quality Assurance

At the end of the day you will be asked to complete an evaluation form, and we ask you to take the time to complete this so that we can maintain a high quality of service and take on your comments and suggestions.

Data Protection

The information you provide on booking will be held on a database by the University of Lancashire who are supporting this conference in order to process your booking.

You will have the opportunity of indicating if you would wish Integrate and UCLAN to let you know about future events, but these details would not be handed onto any other companies or persons.

Conference Venue

The venue will be Central Preston and full details including maps and directions will be sent out upon receipt of a booking form with confirmation of booking.

Enquiries and bookings to:

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