

Key to Your Home

Unlocking information about where you live and how you live.

Learning Disability Wales Annual Conference 2012

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Tuesday, 13 November 2012 – 9:45am-4:30pm
Wednesday, 14 November 2012 – 9:30am-4:15pm
Newport, South Wales



Learning Disability Wales
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Speakers • Tuesday 13 November

-  **Housing - what are the options?** - John Puzey, Shelter Cymru provides an overview of the housing situation in Wales today and the challenges we face.
-  **Supported Living** - First Choice will give an overview of Supported Living for people with a learning disability, including stories from some of their tenants.
-  **Closer to Home** - Edwin Jones Ph.D. describes how the innovative Closer to Home Partnership aims to improve the quality of service provision for people with learning disabilities and challenging behaviour.
-  **Shared Lives** - Tim Southern, ategi Shared Lives Scheme, describes the opportunities and benefits of living with Shared Lives Carers in Wales.

Workshops • Tuesday 13 November

1	<p>Designing Housing for People who have Autism</p> <p>This workshop provides an overview of the key factors to consider when designing housing for people who have Autism. We will examine why it is important to design the right environment, sharing our experiences of creating purpose built schemes that have jointly been designed and developed. Facilitated by Nick Haake, The National Autistic Society</p>	
2	<p>Getting the life you want</p> <p>KeyRing staff and members will share how their model, called a Network, supports people to live independently in their own homes and what a difference it can make. KeyRing's basic model can be adapted to suit most people's needs and results in people having real control over their lives, developing skills and becoming less reliant on staff.</p>	
3	<p>Homes For Wales – An overview of the Housing White Paper</p> <p><i>Homes for Wales: A White Paper for Better Lives and Communities</i> sets out how the Welsh Government plans to develop new ways of helping people to meet their housing needs. This workshop will give an overview of the White Paper with a focus on what the proposals will mean for vulnerable people. Facilitated by Nicola Evans, Cymorth Cymru</p>	
4	<p>Legal Pointers to Protect You and Your Family</p> <p>Have you thought about the future? Do you have a proper will? This workshop looks at will planning and life planning to ensure your loved ones are protected in the future. Facilitated by Claire Davis, Howells Legal</p>	
5	<p>My Dream Home</p> <p>A hands-on workshop helping people to think about what is important to them when choosing somewhere to live. Creatively looking at who you want to live with, where you want to live, what the property needs to be like and what will make your new home just right for you. Facilitated by Caerphilly People First</p>	
6	<p>Renting from a Private Landlord</p> <p>This workshop explores the option of renting from a Private Landlord; what is involved, the steps, the benefits and the potential difficulties that you need to consider. Facilitated by David Gould, The Landlords Letting Company</p>	
7	<p>Tenancy Rights and Responsibilities</p> <p>This workshop will talk about the rights and responsibilities of tenants living in rented accommodation. The workshop will explain what services tenants can expect from their landlord and what they must do to keep to the rules of their tenancy agreement. Facilitated by Katherine Howells and Nigel Bowen, First Choice</p>	
8	<p>Welfare Reform Awareness</p> <p>Providing an overview of the main elements of the Welfare Reform Act. Facilitated by Helen Evans, Welfare Reform Manager, Cardiff Council</p>	
9	<p>What are the housing choices for older people with a learning disability?</p> <p>This workshop will briefly explore the changing needs of people with a learning disability, as they get older and the factors that contribute to them ageing well. The workshop will describe a range of housing options for older people with a learning disability and will go on to present several case studies of good housing support. Facilitated by Lesley Barcham, BILD</p>	

Speakers • Wednesday 14 November

-  **Getting Involved in Competitive Tendering** - Sue Lloyd-Selby explores the must do's and the maybe's for service user engagement in commissioning and competitive tendering.
-  **Personalised Technology** - Steve Barnard from Hft looks at how personalised technology can help people to become less dependent on others and enhance people's quality of life.
-  **Who wants to feel safer?** -The 'Looking into Abuse' research team talk about abuse and safety in the home and community.
-  **The Parent and Provider Partnership** - Mirus (formerly known as Opportunity Housing Trust) share how working with and including families ensures possibilities become reality.
-  **Participation** - Community Lives Consortium speak about positively supporting change and empowering others to live the life they choose.

Workshops • Wednesday 14 November

1 Community Mapping
Do you know the people in your street? Do you know where your local community centre is and what goes on there? This workshop offers ideas about where to start and how to find out what is going on in your area or the area of someone you support.

Facilitated by Tracey Drew, Independent Trainer and Facilitator.

2 Cooking made fun and easy
Cooking does not have to be a chore. This practical demonstration will provide recipes and tips you will find useful and simple to repeat in your own home.

Facilitated by Gaynor Jones, Tastebuddies

3 Keeping you and your home safe
Gwent Police will explain simple steps that people can take to avoid becoming a victim of crime. They will also share what they are doing to make their services more accessible and provide an opportunity to view one of their new mobile stations.

Facilitated by Gwent Police



4 Making your home energy efficient
This workshop will give you tips to save energy in your home. It will also introduce Welsh Government's fuel poverty scheme, Nest. A scheme for anyone in Wales who is in receipt of a means tested benefit and looks at their eligibility to receive free home improvements, reducing energy costs and improving efficiency. **Facilitated by Energy Saving Trust**



5 Money Skills
Barclays Money Skills is a national programme that helps people with a learning disability to develop and improve their financial skills, knowledge and confidence. This workshop will give you information and increase your ability to manage your money better.

Facilitated by Barclays Bank PLC



6 Positive Risk Taking
Risk assessments were never meant to stop people living their lives. This workshop will look at how a supported decision-making model can help us do new things, learn from mistakes and be as safe as possible, therefore giving us a chance to be more independent and confident. **Facilitated by Hilary Jones, Cartrefi Cymru**



7 Welfare Reform Awareness
Providing an overview of the main elements of the Welfare Reform Act. **Facilitated by Helen Evans, Welfare Reform Manager, Cardiff Council**



8 Who Supports Me and How
This interactive workshop explores how the Staff Charter, 'Matching Support' tool, Interview Plans and Appraisals work together to ensure individuals are involved in deciding who supports them and how.

Facilitated by Lisa Morgan, Dimensions and Catherine, supported by Dimensions.



Conference Fees

	13 November	14 November	Both Days
Non members	£97.50	£97.50	£195.00
Learning Disability Wales members	£75.00	£75.00	£150.00
People with a learning disability	£26.40	£26.40	£52.80
Family Carer or Paid Carer supporting person with a learning disability	£26.40	£26.40	£52.80

Group Discount Available: 10% discount available on conference fees for all bookings made for 5 or more people.

(Prices include VAT)

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, 13 November 2012 – 9:15 to 10:00am

All Members and Non-Members of Learning Disability Wales are invited to join us for our Annual General Meeting.

If you would like further information, please contact Joanne Moore, Governance and Human Resources Manager on 029 2068 1168

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