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# The needs of people with learning disabilities who are dying or bereaved



Date : 11th February 2008  
Time : 9am to 4.30pm  
Price : £50 includes refreshments and lunch  
Location : Dove House Hospice

This day will look at the challenges in ensuring that those with learning disabilities and their families and friends receive appropriate palliative support and bereavement care.

A must for all working in palliative care and for those supporting patients / clients with learning disabilities.

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- 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.30 Welcome and introduction
- 9.45 The needs of people with learning disabilities who are dying or bereaved, where are we a decade on?  
– *Linda McEnhill, Chair of the National Network of Palliative Care of People with Learning Disabilities*
- 10.45 Coffee
- 11.15 The experiences of people with learning disabilities who have cancer: Preliminary findings of the “Veronica Project” – *Dr Irene Tuffrey-Wijne, Research Fellow St George’s, University of London*
- 12.15 Lunch
- 13.15 Identifying distress in people who communicate differently – *Dorothy Matthews, Macmillan Clinical Nurse Specialist in Learning Disabilities Northgate and Prudhoe NHS Trust*
- 14.15 Tea
- 14.30 Bereavement support for people with learning disabilities  
– *Noelle Blackman, Assistant Director / Manager of the Elders Project Respond London*
- 15.30 “Chocolates with Rudolf and Family” *Helen Dudley, Tutor Kirkwood Hospice Huddersfield*
- 16.15 Closing Remarks
- 16.30 Close