

Personal Budgets - Is It Working?

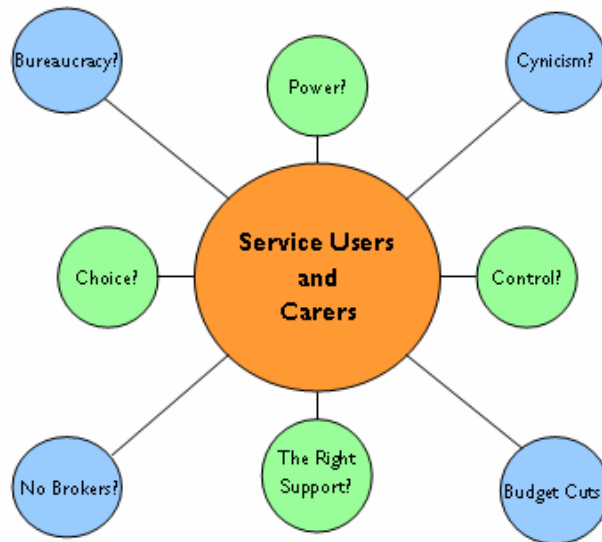
Free Workshop for Service Users, Carers, and 'Frontline' Workers

12.00pm - 4.00pm, Saturday 8th March

West Oxford Community Centre, Botley Road, Oxford OX2 0BT

Easy transport links! Parking! Good wheelchair access!


Free, delicious lunch provided!



Do You Have Experience of Personal Budgets?

Personal Health Budgets are coming, and your experiences and views are vital to help policy-makers learn what works and what doesn't.

The findings will be launched at a larger event on March 29th.

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In 2008 the government announced plans for all adults who used social care services (social services) to be able to plan their care using a 'personal budget'. Personal budgets gave people more freedom to choose the support they wanted, but also passed over responsibility for lots of things that had previously been done by social workers. Now the government are extending the scheme to the NHS.

We've had personal budgets in Oxfordshire for five years now. There have been some successes and some difficulties. These workshops are aimed at learning the lessons, partly so that we can improve 'personalisation' in social care, and partly so that personal budgets in the NHS don't repeat the same mistakes.

Each of the following workshops will be led by people who have used or developed projects relating to personal budgets. Notes will be taken and used to produce a booklet that will be launched at the same venue at another free event on Saturday 29th March.

People are welcome to come for any or all of the day. Please let us know if you are coming by emailing info@communityglue, visiting <http://www.communityglue.org.uk/contact.php> or texting 07807 182774.

Draft Timetable

Workshop titles and running order may change . More details at www.communityglue.org.uk

12:00	Arrivals and welcome	
12:15	Introduction to the day	
12:30	Workshops	
	a How to set up a support group: barriers and challenges	Re-Energize
	b Peer Brokerage: support planning for each other	Community Glue
	c Person-centred planning and personal budgets	Oxfordshire Family Support Network
1:15	Free Lunch (vegetarian options available)	
2:00	Workshops	
	d Support with your personal budget: what do you need?	The Oxfordshire Wheel
	e Building a support network online	Together for Change
	f Timebanks, local co-ordinators and other ways of organising mutual support	Community Glue
2:45	Tea break	
3:00	Summing up	
3:15	End	