



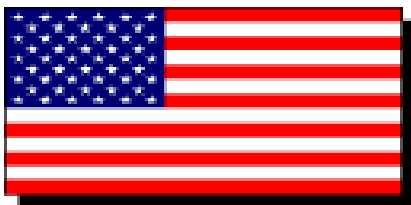
What is Partners in Policymaking?

Partners in Policymaking is a leadership training and development course for disabled adults and parents of disabled children. There are approximately 35 participants on the course, these will be people who

- Think that life could be better for disabled children and adults.
- Want to improve the way things are now but may not be clear where to start.



When we use the term disabled, we are including people with learning difficulties, people with sensory impairments and people with physical impairments.



Partners in Policymaking was devised by Colleen Wieck and some colleagues in Minnesota in 1987 and now runs in over 35 states in America. Partners has been running in the UK since 1996.

What is the course about?

This is an opportunity to learn from national and international leaders on disability issues. Build your knowledge and confidence. Have the opportunity to meet with senior managers, change agents innovators.



The course will provide information, training and skill building to participate so they may gain the knowledge and confidence they need to campaign, work and advocate for a better future for disabled people. The programme is underpinned by a strong values base of inclusion and disability equality.

Participants also get a pack of information for each session including videos, tapes and books.

What about Costs and Support?

The course is free and will be as inclusive as possible, with reasonable expenses paid and support provided when needed. This will be arranged on an individual basis.



How long will the course last?

Partners consists of eight two day sessions, to run over eight months, with one session a month and a break over holiday periods.

