



# Inclusion North Bulletin



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In this bulletin you will hear about some of the work Inclusion North is doing and information about what is happening across the country.



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## Office of Disability Issues Consultation

The Office of Disability Issues are having a consultation.

This is when the government asks people what they think of a plan.

The plan is about helping disabled people to do the best they can and take part in their local area. The Office of Disability Issues want to know what people thinking of their ideas on how they work with disabled people in the future.

You can read more about this on the link below.

<http://bit.ly/1edXGN4>

There is a closing date of 16<sup>th</sup> October if you want to have your say.





## Hate Crime Awareness Week 2013

No to Hate Crime want to hear from people who are doing things for Hate Crime Awareness Week later in the year.

They are making a calendar of things that are happening for the week and hope to publicise them.

Hate Crime Awareness Week is going to be from Saturday 12th October to Saturday 19th October.

You can read more on their website

<http://bit.ly/1dW2x5h>



## Intensive Interaction Co-ordinators Weekend

Intensive Interaction co-ordinators, are having a special meeting where they can catch up with each other, share their stories and successes, and discuss any issues that affect them.

This is taking place in Malham, North Yorkshire, from Friday 8th to Sunday 10th November 2013.

There are still a few places available, and so if you would like to go please contact Graham Firth or complete the booking form and return to him (the details are on the form).

If you have any queries or want to know something about the weekend, please don't hesitate to contact Graham Firth at [graham.firth@nhs.net](mailto:graham.firth@nhs.net) or on 0113 3055160

You can see the flyer and application form here:

<http://bit.ly/15y7Uqq>



CAMPAIGN FOR A  
**FAIR SOCIETY**



## Just Fair Impact Assessment

Just Fair are campaigning to raise awareness of the impact of cuts which affect almost everyone in the UK.

They want to know which issues are currently hurting people who have disabilities the most? And would like your help to find out.

Please email Sue at the Campaign for a Fair Society at:

[suel@aldingbournetrust.co.uk](mailto:suel@aldingbournetrust.co.uk)

or email Jonathan at Just Fair at:

[jbutterworth@just-fair.co.uk](mailto:jbutterworth@just-fair.co.uk)

You can get involved by

- letting them know what your main concern is.
- submitting evidence of how the cuts are affecting you.
- Going along to the event to tell your story to MP's, Peers, & the Government at the report launch in November.

Inclusion North does not run campaigns itself but we support our members to get information that will help them to make things better where they live or work. Our Welfare Campaigns briefing is intended to help people get a start with this:

<http://bit.ly/17uRSvo>

You can also read more on the Just Fair website:

<http://just-fair.co.uk/>



## Learning Disabilities Annual Health Check event

This event is being held on the 24th October in Newcastle.

These events are to tell people what they can do to increase the number and quality of health checks in their area.

There are a few places available so you will need to book soon to make sure you get one.

At the September event we will be told the results of last year's check. There will be speakers from NHS England, The Health and Information Network, IHAL, and family carer and quality checker.

The newly appointed National Clinical Director for Learning Disability, Dr Dominic Sowle, will be speaking at Newcastle.

The link for the events is below

<http://www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk/events/>



## Disability North

### Independent Living Exhibition DNE X

This free exhibition provides information, advice and equipment for disabled people, older adults, carers and health / social care professionals on a range of disability related issues.

The event is at Newcastle Racecourse on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th September 2013 from 10.00am

For more information about DNE X 2013 visit the Disability North website at by clicking here:

<http://www.disabilitynorth.org.uk/dnex.html>





## National Autistic Society Information Day

Monday 30th September in Stockton on Tees

The National Autistic Society will be running a free information day, to talk to carers and families of people on the autism spectrum about changes in adult social care.

You can read the flyer here:

<http://bit.ly/14XR8yx>



## The Ideas collective – taking Advocacy Back to Basics



The Ideas Collective are worried about advocacy because they believe that there are not enough places where advocacy works well. They have written this paper because they want to start a discussion about it. They have written 6 questions about advocacy and want to hear what people think about them.

They want to hear what you think!

You can read their paper about taking advocacy back to basics here:

<http://bit.ly/1771CN3>

There is also an easy read version of this paper here:

<http://bit.ly/15t5L9N>

or you can read the papers on the Ideas Collective website:

<http://bit.ly/1dOwoPs>



## Autism Strategy Focus Groups

Autism Plus is working in partnership with Department of Health to support the latest review of the Adult Autism Strategy for England.

They are currently hosting an online survey seeking views of adults with autism and their parents and carers. In September and October this year they are going to be hosting a series of focus groups across the regions, again for adults with autism and their parents/ carers.

The flyer below details the work they are currently involved in:

<http://bit.ly/17Nuj2U>

There are not many places, so if you want to go, booking is essential.

Autism Strategy can be contacted at [autismstrategy@autismplus.co.uk](mailto:autismstrategy@autismplus.co.uk)





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