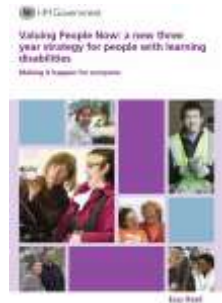






# Valuing People Now



## North East Regional Programme Board

### What is happening next?



**This is a briefing sheet for what is happening from April 2011**

	<h3 style="margin-top: 0;">Valuing People Now</h3> <p>The Government have said that Valuing People Now is important and that the work should continue.</p> <p>In the future each Council will be asked to keep working on making the big targets happen. In March 2011 the regional Valuing People Now team will come to an end.</p> <p>Members of the Regional Programme Board have been talking a lot about what will happen next to help each other make the Valuing People Now targets happen.</p> <p>They have said it would be a good idea for people to still meet for a short time because so much is changing.</p>
	<h3 style="margin-top: 0;">Working together through lots of change</h3> <p>Lots of things are changing in Councils and Health services The Department of Health in the north east has agreed to help people keep meeting together from across the north east while this change is happening.</p> <p>This new group will be called the North East Learning Disability Partnership</p> <p>The Partnerships' meetings will –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help people with learning disabilities, family members and staff work together through the changes</li> <li>• Help everyone understand what Learning Disability Partnership Boards need to do to make sure issues facing people with learning disabilities are taken notice of.</li> <li>• Share good ideas or ways of working</li> </ul>

	<p>This group will only meet for 1 year until March 2012.</p> <p>You can find more detail on how this group will work from the terms of reference</p>
	<p><b>Who will be part of this group</b></p> <p>The Regional Programme Board talked about who should be part of this new group:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 people from each Partnership Board – a family member, a self advocate and the Lead Officer or Valuing People Coordinator (there is more information about this at the end)</li> <li>• The Deputy Regional Director for Social Care</li> <li>• A provider rep from NetsWork</li> <li>• The Strategic Health Authority Programme Manager</li> <li>• A rep from the north east health group for people with learning disabilities</li> <li>• The Association of Directors Social Services (ADASS) lead</li> </ul> <p>The group will make sure there are people representing different communities and people with high support needs</p> <p>The group could invite other people to join in all the meetings or just some meetings</p>
	<p><b>Who will organise the meetings</b></p> <p>Inclusion North will work with the Department of Health to organise the meetings and make sure everyone gets information about what is happening.</p> <p>Inclusion North is going to work out new ways to help self advocates and family members get good information and feel ready for the meetings. We will be in touch about this soon.</p> <p>The areas that are members of Inclusion North will carry on getting extra help and support.</p>



## What next?

### Partnership Boards

**You need to decide who from your Partnership Board will be reps at this group**

We suggest that each area has 3 reps on the group –

- A Self Advocate
- A Family Member
- A Commissioner or Lead Officer or Valuing People Coordinator



Please tell us who will be your areas reps by **31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**  
Please e mail Danny Casper to tell us who is coming –  
[danny@inclusionnorth.org](mailto:danny@inclusionnorth.org)

### The dates for the Partnership's meetings are:

- 25 May 2011
- 15 July 2011
- 19 September 2011
- 21 November 2011
- 27 January 2012
- 14 March 2010



All the meetings will happen from 10am – 2pm

We will tell you more about what will happen at the meetings and where they will be when you tell us who is coming from your area

### If you want to talk about the North East Partnership Group

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