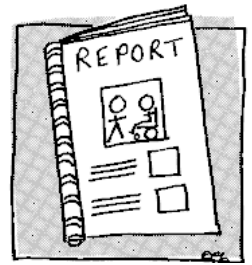


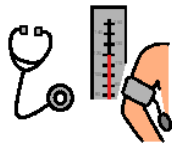


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Introduction



Local Partnership Boards have put together an annual report for 2009/10

They sent their reports to their regional learning disabilities programme board

The Regional Board has brought together Key information about Valuing People Now big priorities including;

- Health
- Housing
- Employment



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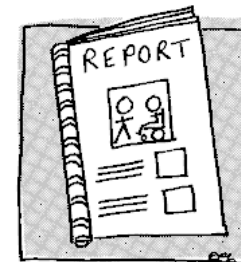
About the Region

	<p>Name of Region:</p>	<p>North West</p>
	<p>Number of Partnership Boards</p>	<p>25</p>
	<p> Blackburn with Darwen Bolton Central Lancashire Cheshire West and Chester East Lancashire Knowsley Manchester Oldham Salford St Helens Tameside Warrington Wirral </p>	<p> Blackpool Bury Cheshire East Cumbria Halton Liverpool North Lancashire Rochdale Sefton Stockport Trafford Wigan </p>



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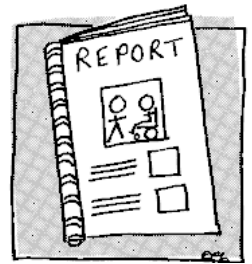


- 1) We have set up a **Regional Valuing People Now Programme Board**.
The Board has good support from Elected Self Advocates, Family Carers, and regional Decision Makers.
We have themed meetings to make sure we talk about the Big Issues in Valuing People Now.
The Board has set up the NW **Health Equalities Group (HEG)** which has the support of all the PCT Chief Executives in the NW to make sure we do all we need to on health.
We have agreed a Regional Priority – **Friendships Relationships and Citizenship**
- 2) Some of our **Partnership Boards** are formally part of their Local Authority structures with devolved powers.
- 3) **All** PCTs and Local Authorities subscribe to the **North West Training and Development Team (NWTDT)** to help us make Valuing People Now happen in the NW.



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- 4) The Regional **Self Advocate Conference**, and the **Family Forum Roadshows**, run by Family Carers have helped us consult and engage with people with a learning disability and families from almost every PB area about the work and plans of the Board.

What have we found the most difficult?

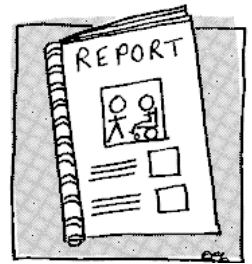


- 1) Telling people what we are doing. We have agreed we need to have a plan for getting better at this, and to use all sorts of ways of doing it.
- 2) Getting our information right, and getting information about the things that really matter.
We don't have good systems in place for some of the things we really need to know – like how many parents with a learning disability there are.
- 3) The North West is a big and diverse region. There are big differences across the region in: ethnic make up, wealth, transport links, seasonal working patterns town vs rural, living. Lots of agencies like Job Centre Plus and Connexions are organised on different “footprints” to PBs. This means we have to have a different ways of dealing with the same issues in different



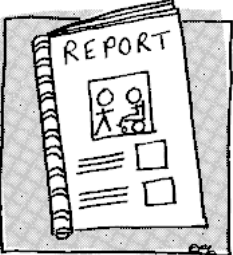

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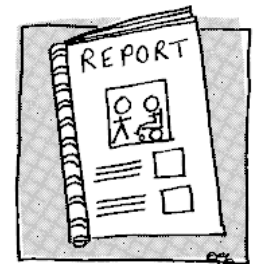
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Partnership Boards annual reports

	<p>1) How many local Partnership Boards have sent in an annual report to the regional learning disability board ?</p> <p>25 out of 25 boards have sent in an annual report</p>
	<p>2)</p> <p>How many local partnership board reports did people with learning disabilities sign off?</p> <p>13 out of 25 board reports have been signed off by a person with learning disabilities</p>



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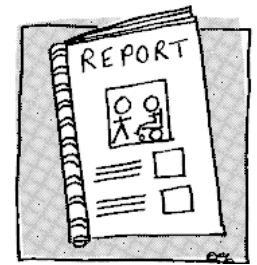
	<p>3) How many local partnership board reports did family carers sign off?</p> <p>12 out of 25 board reports have been signed off by family carers</p>
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What has been done locally since the 'Six Lives' report which said people were not getting a good service from health and social care?

	<p>4.1 Have local Partnership Boards had a report from health and social care about how they are improving services since the 'Six Lives' report ?</p> <p>9 out of 25 Boards have a report about Six Lives</p>
	<p>4.2 Has the Regional health services helped check health services by helping people to hold Big Health days and use the health self assessment?</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>X No But this is planned now for this year</p>

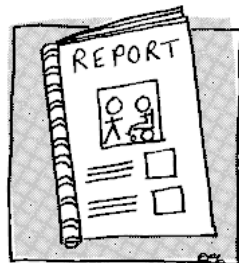


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4.3 Have local health services made a report to their Trust board's since the 'Six Lives' report?

24 of 24 Health services (PCTs) have made reports to their boards
We are still asking about Provider Trusts

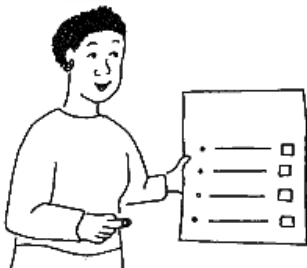


4.4 Have social care made reports to groups in the Councils who do the checks since the 'Six Lives' report?

??X out of 24 councils have made these reports
We are still asking



The Big actions that are to be taken by councils during 2010/11 following these reports are:



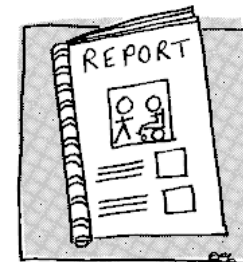
1) Engaging with the NW Out of Area Census to make sure they know about people place away from their area.

2) Introduction of better Safeguarding processes




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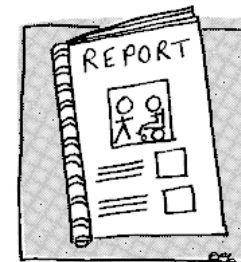
	3) Better training for staff – especially in Rights and Equalities
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	<p>4.5 What are the big changes made in the planning and buying of services for people with learning disabilities?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) More support being commissioned from mainstream services – EG. Employment, Mental Health, Community services, using good person centred planning. 2) Most areas are taking part in a “Census” of Out of Area Placements which will mean we know much more about who is living where, who placed them there, for how long, how much it costs, plans to move back into area, etc. 3) Most authorities have Approved or Preferred providers lists that are monitored for quality, including person centred practice – some by people with a learning disability and families 4) there is a move away from Block Contracts to individual, Person Centred commissioning from a range of providers.
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Better Healthcare

	<p>The big boss for health services in the region is....</p> <p>Ann Wood</p>									
	<p>5. How many people in the region have had an annual health check?</p> <p>3018 out of 8500 have had a health check (Based on averages)</p>									
	<p>6. Is there more support in local health services for people with learning disabilities?</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>General Hospitals</td> <td>✓ Yes</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Primary Care</td> <td>✓ Yes</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Specialist Health</td> <td>✓ Yes</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table>	General Hospitals	✓ Yes	No	Primary Care	✓ Yes	No	Specialist Health	✓ Yes	No
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	<p>also helping Patient Opinion to become more accessible.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) Three 'Big Health' Days will be held – one in each sub region. 4) We are working to make the “Mindfulness” Mental Health programme accessible to people with a Learning Disability
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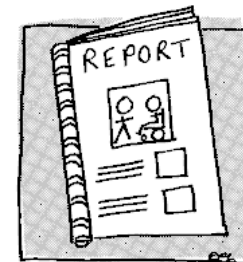
Where people live



<p>PHOTOS?</p>	<p>Who is leading on housing in the region;</p> <p>Mike Farrer is the SHA Boss, and Ann Wood is the SHA Learning Disability Lead.</p>
	<p>9. How much money is spent on care homes?</p> <p>11 out of 22 councils use less than ↓ 20% of all their social care money on care homes.</p> <p>22 out of 22 councils use less than ↓ 40% of all their social care money on care homes</p>



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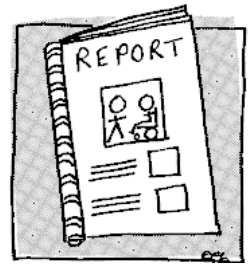


	<p>0 out of 22 councils use more than \uparrow 40% of all their social care money on care homes</p>
	<p>10. Changes in Housing</p> <p>18 out of 25 Partnership Boards will be making some changes to who provides their housing/(support) to meet peoples needs</p>
	<p>11. Is the region helping local councils to look at their housing and make changes ?</p> <p>✓ Yes</p> <p>How ? Regional Programme Board held a themed meeting on Homes on the 21st May to develop the plans.</p> <p>We will set up a regional Housing Task Group to ensure we are getting the best out of the National Housing Programme, every local area has a Housing Strategy as good as the best and to work at a regional level to make plans for the NW as a whole.</p>



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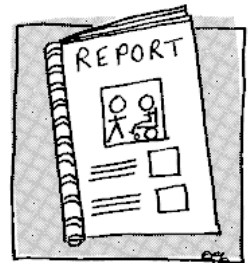


	<p>12. How is the region working with housing provider networks (groups) to help them change how they provide housing and support?</p> <p>We will check to make sure that housing and support are provided separately to make sure people can change their support without having to move home or move house without having to change their support.</p> <p>We are working with CSED to make sure we make best use of aids and adaptations, and get good value whilst getting good quality supports.</p> <p>We are working with family carers who want to be involved in finding homes for their family members.</p> <p>We will keep using Housing Options to make sure we get and give good advice.</p>




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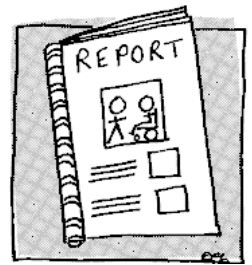


Getting a Job and young people in transition

	<p>Who is leading on employment in the region ?</p> <p>Jerry Oliver – the PSA 16 NW Lead</p>
<p>Photo</p>	<p>Who is leading on Transition / Getting a life in the region ?</p> <p>Gill Goodwin is the Regional G.A.L Lead</p>
	<p>13. Local Plans for helping people to get a job.</p> <p>11 out of 25 Partnership Boards have a jobs plan</p> <p>When do other Partnership Boards expect to have a jobs plan ready ?</p>



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14. Helping young people to get a job

9 out of **25** Partnership Boards report that they help young people by having person centred reviews which leads to getting a job.

What local good practice is there to support young people in transition to get a job:

- 1) Manchester and Oldham are 'Getting A Life' sites.
- 2) We have recently appointed 2 people to help us spread Getting a Life across the whole region.
- 3) Connexions services in some Partnership Board areas have produced their information in Easy Read



15. How has the region helped to support employment in local areas?

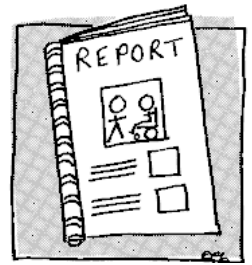
Progress recruitment from Blackpool have been using DH money to support the public sector across the region to be better employers of people with Learning Disabilities.


We have developed a Conference Friends employment model as a way for



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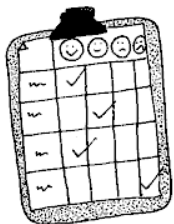
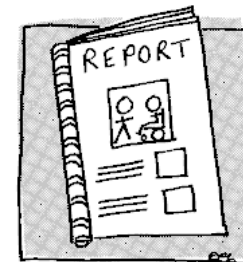
	<p>people with Learning Disabilities to help public organisations employ people with learning disabilities to help organise conferences.</p> <p>We have a regional Getting A Life network which focuses on employment and day service improvement.</p>
	<p>16. How has the region helped support good transition planning for young people in local areas?</p> <p>We have recently appointed 2 people to help us improve transition planning across the whole region.</p> <p>We are working closely with Children with Disabilities team to make sure we have joint plans.</p> <p>More Children's Services directorates are subscribing to NWTDT.</p>

Person Centred Planning



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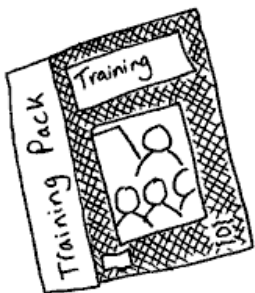
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17.

19 out of **25** Partnership Boards have a big plan for person centred planning and checking on whether it is making a difference.

Improving the workforce (people who are paid to support you)



18. What is happening in the region to support training and development of staff?

We are working with local areas and personalisation leads to make sure that personal assistants are included in 'Staff' for training and development.

We continue to support NWTDT as subscription organisation so that good training can be offered to staff from across the whole region.

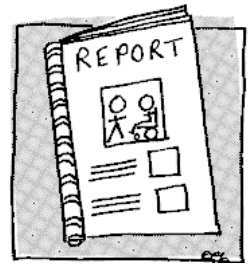
We have commissioned training materials to support staff in the area of personal relationships for people with Learning Disabilities.

The SHA have just completed an audit of the Health Workforce across the region to help us plan for the future.




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	We continue to support network for Positive Behavioural Approaches for staff working with people who challenge.

Involvement in Checking Services

	19. 17 out of 25 Partnership Boards are including people with learning disabilities and family carers when services are checked for whether they are doing a good job.
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Keeping People Safe

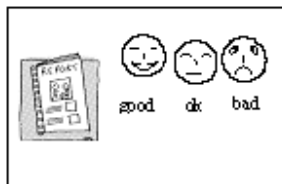
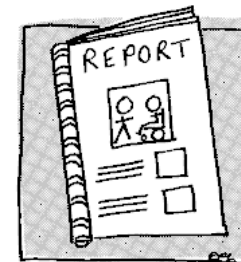
	20. 10 out of 25 Partnership Boards get reports from the Adult Board which looks at safety for and of people with learning disabilities
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Partnership Boards and Checking services



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7 out of **25** Partnership Boards report that they are told about local services which are not giving a good service to people with learning disabilities

Regional Priority Work Programme



21. The North West Regional Priority is **Friendships, Relationships and Citizenship**

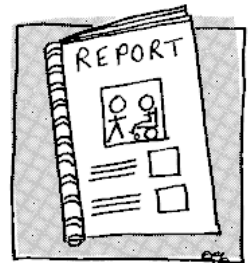
The Big areas in the regional work programme for the 2009/2010 were:

- 1) We commissioned a Regional Training resource for staff to enable best practice to be spread across the NW
- 2) We held a regional seminar on Friendships and Relationships for representative of local boards to share good ideas, to hear what the South West are doing, and to agree the plan for 2010/11
- 3) We agreed to work with the South West to share our ideas



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4) We supported the NW Positive Behavioural Approaches Network to arrange a Regional training event with Gary LaVigna. This will help embed a positive way of working with people who's behaviour challenges services.

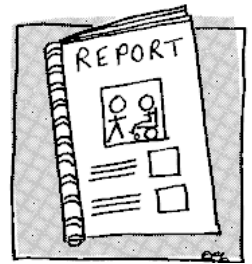
The big Regional plans for 2010 and 2011 are:



- 1) The NWTDT are arranging a Regional Summit on Hate Crime.
- 2) We will establish a Regional travel group to bring together people who can help make travelling easier, cheaper and safer.
- 3) We will create a map of Changing Places facilities across the region and promote the development of more.




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	<p>5) We will build on the skills of our Self Advocates to develop Peer Advocacy with a toolkit and training. We will also work to develop Non Instructed Advocacy for those people who need advocacy on their behalf.</p> <p>6) We will continue to support the development of the Ethnicity Network and make sure it links the Region in to national strategy.</p>
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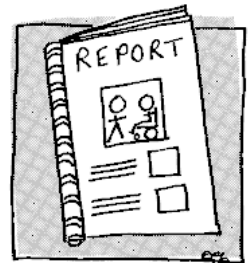
Making it happen for everyone:

	<p>22. Some good practice examples from local partnership boards about how everyone is being helped by Valuing People Now:</p> <p>1) People with High supported needs Central Lancashire Partnership Board has designed a Communications Guide that incorporates person centred planning tools to support and aid understanding of each individual's unique communication methods. (see http://www.csrpcp.net/default.aspx?page=24816)</p>
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2) Family Carers

Himmat, with the support of the Partnership Board in Manchester has been working with Asian learning disabled people and their husbands or wives. The project has been funded by Manchester City Council's Third Sector Team. Trust has been established with the extended families, and groups and individual sessions have been held with the couples.

Among other issues they have identified Intensive individual work is needed with the couples.

Working out who is the main carer.

Claiming benefits and becoming an appointee.

Money and household management.

Setting up home away from the extended family.

They have found similar issues in the Somali and Chinese communities.

3) People who are victims of hate crime

Blackpool Partnership board members are represented on a widespread disability group with other reps from the Police, Blackpool Bsafe, Childrens and Young People's service and others. The group has made



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links with the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS). The group have developed a third party reporting service for those people who want to report a Hate or other Crime without going to the police themselves. The Partnership board and Children and Young People Service have worked with a local school to produce a Learning Disability Hate Crime DVD which was launched this month and widely publicised.

4) Better transport for everyone

East Lancashire Partnership Board have been campaigning for both the **Now Card** and the **Companion Card** which give access to subsidised or free Travel across Lancashire, to ensure they are easily available to people with a learning disability and their family carers.

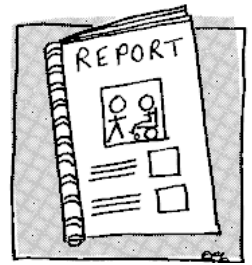
5) People with learning disabilities who are parents

Wigan Partnership Board has developed a new Personal, Relationships, Sex & Sexuality Policy which contains a section dedicated to Parents with learning disabilities outlining:



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What the Law says :Key Principles:Case scenario: Points to consider:
and an Extensive Resource Section

Their Policy Group have met with the Disabled Parents Network and intend to work more closely with them in the future.

It is an area of interest for Wigan & Leigh People First. They have expressed their intention to focus on this issue as part of their ongoing work regarding Relationships.

6) People with learning disabilities who get in trouble with the police.

Tameside Partnership Board have had the Crown Prosecution Service attending a meeting of the Partnership Board, Cumbria have launched the Autistic Spectrum Alert Cards with Cumbria Police,