

# Valuing People Now



## Valuing People Now: A New Three-Year Strategy for people with learning disabilities

'Making it happen for everyone'



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Launched by the  
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Johnson...



and the Minister for  
Care Services, Phil  
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Cross-Government  
Strategy

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## The Wider Context



- Putting People First
- Carers' Strategy
- Healthcare for All
- A Life Like Any Other?
- New Dementia Strategy
- The Independent Living Strategy
- Aiming High for Disabled Children
- World Class Commissioning

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## Four Guiding Principles of Valuing People Now

- Rights
- Independent Living
- Control
- Inclusion

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## Including Everyone



- People with more complex needs
- People from black and minority ethnic groups and newly arrived communities
- People with autistic spectrum disorders
- Offenders in custody and in the community
- Family carers and families

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## Personalisation

- People having a plan and getting the life they want
- Having a say about what support and care is needed
- Planning how to spend the money for care and support
- Having more choice, control and independence

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## Having A Life: Better Health



The National Health Service will make sure:

- Everyone gets good healthcare
- It includes people with learning disabilities in all its healthcare plans
- It gives people good specialist healthcare when needed
- It offers people (known to services) annual health checks

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## Having a Life: Housing

More choice for people with learning disabilities about where they live and who they live with.



More people having homes with rights as tenants, owners, co-owners.

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## Having a Life: Work, Education and Getting a Life



- New Employment Strategy (Spring 2009)
- Making college education more accessible and more relevant with a focus on getting work
- Person Centred Transition Planning across the whole country
- Better planning between Children's and Adult services during Transition
- The Getting a Life Programme – aimed at supporting young people leaving school or college into paid work

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## Having a Life: Relationships and having a family

- Chances to make friends and keep in contact
- The chance to have relationships and get married if they want to
- The right to become parents
- Support to be good parents



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## People as Citizens: Advocacy



A programme of work to help advocacy groups to be stronger and more inclusive.

Making sure that information and advice is more accessible.

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## People as Citizens: Transport



Getting out and about is very important but often difficult.

Transport plans need to include the needs of people with learning disabilities.

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## People as Citizens: Being Safe at Home and when you are out



- People with learning disabilities have a right to live in safety
- New Hate Crime Strategy will include the needs of people with learning disabilities
- No Secrets guidance is being changed to make sure people with learning disabilities are protected

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## People as Citizens: Access to Justice

People with learning disabilities need to be able to make a complaint and get legal help if they have been treated unfairly.



New policy about how to support people with learning disabilities when they have been the victim of crime or are going to be a witness in court.

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## Local Partnership Boards



Central to planning and deciding...

- What services are needed
- How these services should work
- How well services are working

Will produce a report every year on how Valuing People Now is working locally.

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## The Delivery Plan

### For 2009-10 the key priorities are:



- to raise awareness of **Valuing People Now** locally, regionally and nationally
- to have a really good Learning Disability Partnership Board in every Local Authority
- to make sure that healthcare is better and more accessible, with Strategic Health Authorities and Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) responsible for, and leading, this work

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### Key priorities continued:

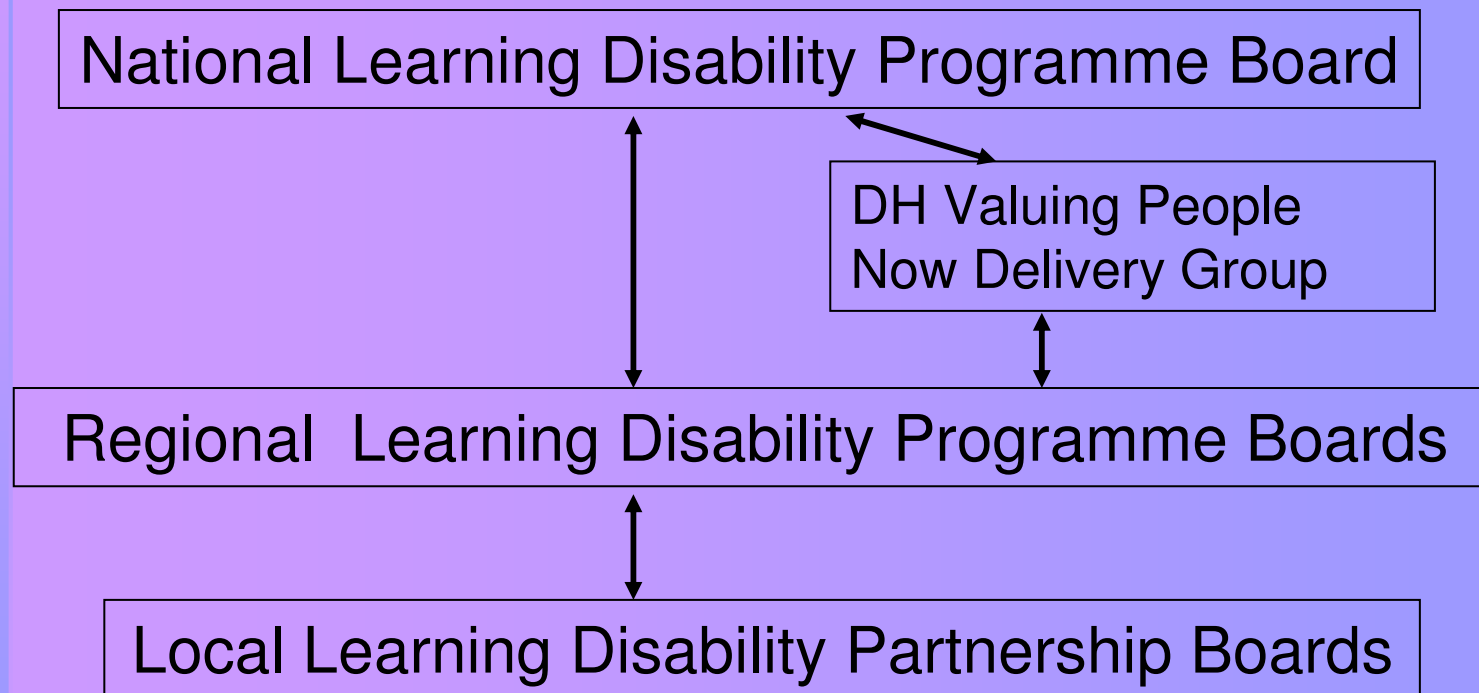


- to create more choice of housing for people with learning disabilities and their families, and closure of all NHS campuses
- to make sure that the Personalisation agenda works well for people with learning disabilities and their family carers, and is based on good person centred planning
- to increase employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities

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## The Delivery Plan: A New Governance Structure



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Making Valuing People Now work will take effective **Leadership** across:

- National Government
- Local Authorities
- The NHS
- Voluntary and private sectors
- Other statutory services



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### The BIG message:

Make it Happen for **Everyone**

and

Make it Happen **Everywhere**

