

I want to be involved

ensuring disabled children
and young people are
involved in reviews and
planning meetings



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Training: do you work with disabled children and young people?

I want to be involved

This course is a one day programme facilitated by two practitioners from The Children's Society's Disability Advocacy Project. *I want to be involved* training offers ideas and practical support for involving disabled young people at reviews and meetings.



What does the training provide?

- Creative approaches, methods and resources for involving disabled young people in meetings;
- Practical and cost effective guidance;
- Opportunities to try out a range of methods and approaches;
- Advice and guidance specific to situations professionals face in their roles.

Through engaging and interactive activities, you will develop the skills to involve disabled young people at every stage of the review process. You will also be given information about resources that are currently available, and how to use them effectively.

The final session of the day is spent developing an action plan for the team to take forward learning from the day. The session identifies actions, the person responsible and timeframes. In team training we invite a member of the senior management to attend this session in order to participate in the development of the plan and to be able to effectively support its implementation. We also offer a post-training follow up evaluation to provide support with your actions identified in the during training programme.

Why involve?

Article 12 of The United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child (1990) establishes children's right to participate in decision-making matters that affect them.



'When I'm not invited to my review, it feels like secrets.'

Disabled young person

'I made the agenda and put photos up. This made the meeting all about me.'

Disabled young person



Who is this training for?

This training is designed for professionals working with disabled children and young people looking for additional support to implement a person centred approach to reviews and planning meetings.

- Social Workers
- Independent Reviewing Officers
- Education professionals
- Short breaks providers
- Keyworkers
- Advocates

or anyone else working with disabled children and young people.

'I'm a Social Worker for a Local Authority. I attended the I want to be involved training one day course. It was really well presented, well prepared and provided lots of useful, practical examples of involving disabled children. The trainers were very enthusiastic and knowledgeable. It made me think about the review from the child's perspective and I have lots of creative and flexible methods to ensure the child is at the centre of the process.'

Training participant



To book this course or receive further information, please contact:

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The Children's Society is a leading children's charity committed to making childhood better for all children in the UK. We take action to prevent, rescue and support children facing violence, neglect, poverty and discrimination in their daily lives. We give children the hope and confidence they need to face the future with optimism. We never turn away.

