

Update: Expert Advisory Groups

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making a difference to the lives of people with severe learning disabilities

Background

- November 2019: The idea of Regional Expert Groups was first suggested at the CB-NSG meeting
- February 2020: CB-NSG steering group presented a proposal to Ray James
- These discussions have evolved into a “**Doing Group**” – i.e. a group of people who have worked together to agree “what we need to do” **to get people out of inappropriate inpatient services.**
 - Areas of expertise in the group include families, experience in clinical/medical practice; commissioning; inspection and regulation; research and evidence; advocacy; the third sector; family support.

Aims

- Improve the quality of life and care provision for individuals inappropriately 'stuck' in hospital placements
- Influence systematic change and improve practice in the long term (micro and macro systems).
- It will focus on practical **doing *with*** not doing *for* local teams and will adopt an investment approach- investing additional capacity and enhancing existing skills leaving a **sustainable legacy**.

What have we done so far?

- The group has met several times to discuss and agree the key issues to address based on what has and hasn't worked in the past.
- Committed to the principle of evidenced-based strategies
- Collaborated with other professionals/ groups who have been involved in projects with similar aims
- Logic Model

What next?

- Mini pilot in Black Country – we will test our approach with 2 individuals and use the learning to refine the model.
- Funding
- Work with NHSE to support and endorse the work done so far, and to provide a steer on how best to position this group in relation to existing frameworks to ensure we make the most impact on both a micro *and* macro level.