



Working with your local Transforming Care Partnership

What should happen



What is this guide about?



This guide is about how you can work with your local Transforming Care Partnership.

It tells you what should happen when you do.

What is a Transforming Care Partnership?

It is a group of people who work together in your local area.



The group is made up of:

- people who make decisions about health
- people from local councils in the area



They work to get better support for some people who have a learning disability or autism or both.

They may be called a **TCP** for short.

Why are Transforming Care Partnerships important?



Some people with a learning disability or autism live in specialist hospitals.



Specialist hospitals are not like other hospitals.

They are for some people with a learning disability or autism who need more support with:

- their behaviour
- their mental health



The government says people should not live in hospitals like this.

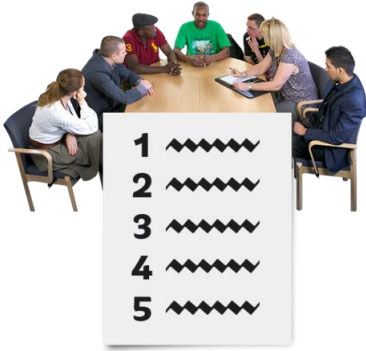
People should live in the community, like everyone else.

They should get care and support near where they live instead of hospital.





Transforming Care Partnerships help make this happen.



They plan good care and support in the community for people with a learning disability or autism.

How can you help?



You and your family can work with the Transforming Care Partnership to:

- check what they are doing



- find out how they are making things better



- share your story

How should the Transforming Care Partnership work with you?



You may have some meetings with the Transforming Care Partnership.



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- tell you about their work and how you can have a say



- talk to you about how you will work together



- find out what you need to take part



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- make it easy for you to take part



- find out how you like your information



- give you information in easy words and pictures if you want it

This is called easy read



- choose a meeting place that is easy for you to get to



- help you visit the place before the meeting if you want to



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- tell you what will happen at the meetings and when



- give you information about the meetings at least 2 weeks before they happen



- give you enough time in the meetings to understand things and have your say



- listen to you and your family



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- help you share your story and what is important to you



- help you feel safe to do this



- let you come to some of the meeting if you want to

You don't have to come to all of it



- show you somewhere you can go if you want a break



- make sure you can bring someone to support you if you want

You should not have to pay for this



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- find out what you thought of the meeting and see if anything needs to change



- tell you what they have done and how they are making things better

Other things the Transforming Care Partnership should do



The Transforming Care Partnership should make sure lots of people can have a say in their work.



They should:

- talk to groups of people with a learning disability or autism and carers



The Transforming Care Partnership should:

- give people clear and easy information about their work



- use pictures to show things as well



- tell people who they can talk to if they have any questions

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