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BILD Conference 2012: Tough times call for innovation and imagination

5 October, Milton Keynes

People with learning disabilities want to make real choices and decisions about the things that affect their lives. Delivering the support to do this is a challenge in a time of cuts in personal financial support, in service budgets and in the workforce.

Lots of people and organisations are responding to the challenge with imaginative and innovative ways of working and giving support. BILD Conference will highlight this work and show case some of the technical solutions springing up to help provide personalised support.

As well as our experienced and knowledgeable speakers, the learning café sessions and workshops will give you a chance to listen to the latest thinking and exchange experiences with those leading this work.

You can hear fascinating keynote speakers:

- **Bernadette Hanney**, Quality Manager, Care Quality Commission
- **Jim Blair**, Nurse Consultant Learning Disabilities, St George's Healthcare NHS Trust
- **Duncan Mitchell**, Professor of Health and Disability, Manchester Metropolitan University
- **Hayley Goleniowska**, author of the blog www.downssideup.com
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Join in the Learning Cafes:

- **Assistive Technology: Live information for independent living**, Andrew Stamp, Brain in Hand
- **It's my right: Sexuality, relationships and sexual health for people with learning disabilities**, Miguel Tudela de la Fuente, Family Planning Association
- **Yes I can get into employment**, Simon Rice supported by Lee Taylor, Equality Works Supported Employment, Milton Keynes Council
- **A problem shared: community powered advocacy**, Claire Wightman, Grapevine, Coventry and Warwickshire

Take part in workshops:

- **Living the life – pooling resources for daytime support**, My Life Social Enterprise
- **Duty of care assessment tool**, Andy Lees, St Anne's Community Services
- **Two heads are better than one: preparing young people for adulthood**, Rachel Perrin, Grapevine Coventry and Warwickshire
- **Reasonable adjustments in hospital**, Jim Blair, St George's Hospital and service user and parent
- **Mindfulness – its use in a forensic service**, Cathy Thomas and Jane Chilvers Partnerships in Care Learning Disability Services
- **From training needs analysis to peak performance - developing support workers to do a great job!** Debra Moore, Group Director of Nursing and Patient Safety, Castlebeck
- **Good practice using positive behaviour support plans**, BILD Consultants
- **Creative approaches to improve specialist residential services**, Herculano Castro and Stuart Marchant, Mentaur Ltd

There will also be an Ideas Marketplace in association with **Netbuddy**, www.netbuddy.org:

“These are tough times, but there is lots of good work going on out there and we want to highlight it”, said Ann Chivers, BILD Chief Executive, “We want everyone who attends to hear about great ideas and good practice, if they go away inspired, this event will have done its job”.

You can find out more about the conference and how to book on the BILD website at www.bild.org.uk/imagination or contact the BILD Events Team on 01562 723025, or email learning@bild.org.uk

BILD members only – Early Bird discount - book by 17 August at £99

If you aren't a BILD member but would like to join, please contact Pam Mazurek on 01562 723015 or email p.mazurek@bild.org.uk or download a membership leaflet from www.bild.org.uk/join

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There are press places available at this conference, please contact me if you would like to take one.

Notes:

BILD, The British Institute of Learning Disabilities, is based in Kidderminster where it was founded in 1971. BILD's vision is a society where people with learning disabilities are equal citizens and have access to the support and services they need. We work to make this

happen in partnership with people with a learning disability and family carers. They are the real 'experts', knowing what support is needed, and what needs to change to improve the quality of their lives.

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