Printing pictures

Once you have familiarised yourself with the pack and your preferred method of selecting pictures you can print the images you need. The pictures saved on the CD-ROM as pdf files can be printed out in four different sizes:

- **A4** (standard paper size) 297mm x 210mm
- **A5** (half standard paper size) 210mm x 148mm  
  (printed two per A4 paper size)
- **large standard photo size** 180mm x 130mm  
  (default size)
- **small standard photo size** 150mm x 100mm  
  (select 'Fit to printable area' in the 'Page scaling' option of your 'Page setup' settings)

You should choose a size that allows a number of pictures to be placed in front of the person with learning disabilities and still be within their comfortable sight range. Your choice of size should also take into account the print facilities available. We suggest that the A5 size will be suitable for most situations. Choose the appropriate settings for your printer and page size in the 'Page Setup' panel, specify the required page numbers and select 'Print'. If you have problems printing you may need to refer to the printing instructions and preferences of your particular model of printer.

The pictures can be printed on to photographic paper or card and laminated if necessary. They can also be projected on to a screen for use with groups.

Capacity assessment form

The pack also includes a capacity assessment form. The form, which can be photocopied, uses specific pictures from the pack to help the professional gauge, along with their clinical judgement, whether the person with a learning disability has the capacity to consent to a sexual relationship.
Cultural issues

The current pack contains four main characters who are all of white backgrounds. This was deliberate, for two reasons. Firstly, the predominant culture of the area that we work in is white. Secondly, the authors felt strongly that we did not want to be prejudicial by having a token person from a specific ethnic background who could then have been perceived as either a victim or a perpetrator. We hope that by using a CD-ROM format we can, in the future, add complete extra sets of characters to the pack in a more sensitive manner.
About the pictures

Characters

Main characters
The pack contains four main characters – Rachel, Tracy, John and Simon (sections 1–4). Their names were chosen at random and merely aim to differentiate them from each other within the pack. When using the pack with a person with learning disabilities it is more appropriate to let them choose the characters’ names or make no reference to the names. The characters portray both homosexual and heterosexual relationships which enables you or the person with learning disabilities to produce different social and/or sexual stories. Rachel and Tracy’s relationship can be used to demonstrate female homosexual behaviour (section 5). John and Simon’s relationship portrays male homosexual behaviour (section 6) while John and Rachel portray a heterosexual relationship (section 7). All the characters in the pack can also be used to illustrate social and asexual behaviour.