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Social: support mapping for care teams

People diagnosed with a life-limiting illness are cited as vulnerable to loss of social relationships and networks as their illness progresses. For people on the autism spectrum whose ability to form and sustain social relationships can be challenged by the complexities of their autism, it is important to consider how they will maintain and in some cases redefine the relationships and interactions they have with the significant people within their life.

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| How can we support  better relationships  with health? | Are there supports or strategies required to strengthen relationships? | How can we support the  person to maintain important family relationships? |
| For example community groups, cultural or religious figures of support, advocacy services, social work, counselling services | | |

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| Health | Family | Social care team | To aid effective communication and partnership working,  we need to put in place protocols with staff, families and friends establishing what people’s expectations are regarding:   * what information is passed on * by what means * by whom * under what circumstances  and how often |
| *Insert a*  *photo of*  *the person*  *you are*  *supporting* |
| Other figures  of trust and support | Friends and peers |
| Name of  the person  you are  supporting | social4.jpg |
| Social support involves an understanding of the relationships and connections between the person on the autism spectrum and all those involved in their life and care. Who are the important people in the life of the person on the autism spectrum that you support? | | |

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| What support is required  for the care team? | How can we support the  person to maintain important relationships with friends  and peers? |  |