

How we plan to do it

- 8 important things were chosen by the Partnership Board
- All the important things have an action plan
- The action plan must be done in 3 years
- Each important thing has a group to do this
- The groups include self advocates and carers



Working together - to make it happen across the county

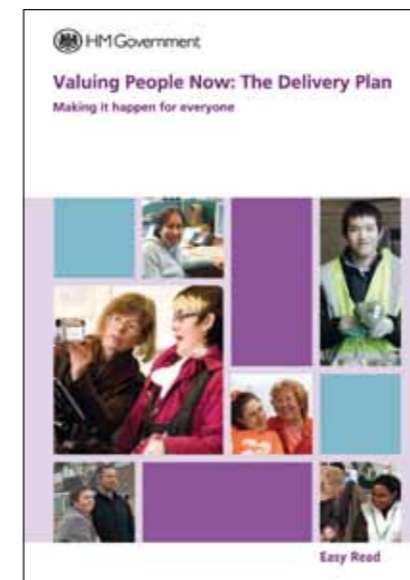
- People with a learning disability
- Parents and carers groups
- Self Advocacy groups
- Partnership Board
- Voluntary and Independent Sector
- Government and Local Authorities
- Health and Primary Care Trusts



Everyone!



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'Making it happen'

Valuing People Now is the government's new big plan for people with learning disabilities. Valuing People Now tells us that people with a learning disability have the same rights as everyone else.

Valuing People Now tells us how and when everything should be done.

The Valuing People Now plan has 5 big important things

Including everyone

This means that any plans or work done to make the lives of people with a learning disability better, should also include:

- People with lots of needs
- People from different cultures
- People with autism
- People who are in or have been in prison.



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Having a Life - This means that everyone who has a learning disability should have better healthcare. They should be supported to use the same health care service as everyone else. Everyone should have the choice of where, how and who they live with.

This includes the opportunity to have an ordinary life and the chance to have relationships and a family.

People as citizens - This means people with a learning disability should be treated as equal citizens. They should have the right to support, accessible information, advice and advocacy. Access to good transport, live safely at home and outside and support in the legal system.



Personalisation (Choice and Control) - This means people with a learning disability and their families should get support to plan for and get the lives they want.

Making it happen - This means lots of groups and organisations should work together to make Valuing People Now happen by 2012.



8 Important things to change in Leicestershire 2009 - 2012



- **Personalisation** - Giving people with learning disabilities real choice and control.
- **Housing** - Choice of where and how to live.
- **Better health care** - Working with health services to make sure that they can meet the needs of people with a learning disability positively.



- **What people do in the day, evening and weekends** - support changes to make sure there is more choice.

- **Communication** - Support all different ways of communicating. Working to meet training needs of staff to help understanding

- **Keeping Safe** - Helping people feel safe in their home and outside. This will help people be more independent.

- **Advocacy** - Provide support for people to speak up. Having your voice heard.

- **Employment** - Support people into paid work. This includes people with complex needs.

