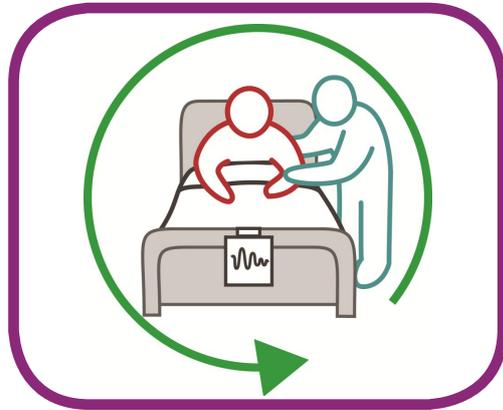


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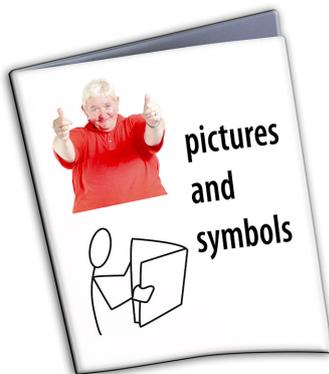
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This update is about some of the work Reach MPs and Experts have done since the last Partnership Board meeting.



The University Hospital of North Staffordshire (UHNS) Learning Disabilities Steering Group are looking at clear information about health and health services.



The steering group asked Reach MPs and Experts to speak up about:

- what they had seen
- what would be useful for people.

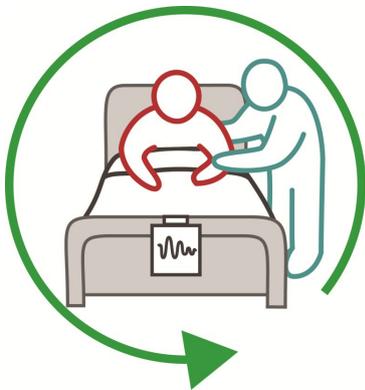


Reach MPs and Experts talked about their ideas and project workers gave the steering group a report on this work at their meeting on 24th June.

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Reach Expert Carl West gave a presentation to the UHNS Trust Board on 7th June.



Carl talked about:

- his own health experiences
- other people's experiences in hospital
- ways the hospital can support people with learning disabilities.



At the Reach Parliament meeting on 10th June, MPs and Experts met with Simon Harris from the Citizens Advice Bureau to talk about changes to benefits.



Simon talked about what was happening with benefits and explained how people can get help and support in understanding the changes.

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Dove Service



On 5th July Reach members from Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire met to review the Dove service for people with learning disabilities.

People talked about:

- their own experiences of loss and counselling
- how Dove works with people.

At the next Reach Parliament meeting on 15th July the BBC will be filming Reach MPs and Experts from Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire speaking up about hate crime.

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The BBC are filming for an episode of Inside Out which will be on BBC 1 in September.

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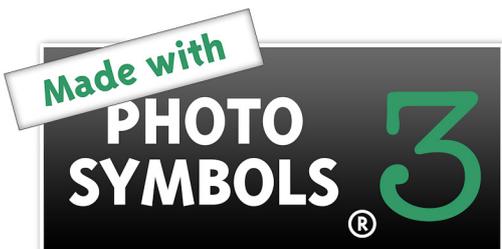
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