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The Practice Partners Project



Cornwall People First is starting a new project called Practice Partners.

It is funded by the NHS.



What is the project about?

It is about people with learning disabilities/autism and their GP surgeries working together to provide really good services for patients.

(GP is another way of saying doctor. So 'GP's surgery' is another way of saying 'doctor's surgery')



How will they work together?

They will meet up in groups to talk about GP services, and help each other by sharing ideas.

These groups are called **Patient Participation Groups**.



How often do the Patient Participation Groups meet, and where?

Patient Participation Groups meet at GP surgeries. They meet every three months.



Who can go to the Patient Participation Group meetings?

Anyone who is part of a GP surgery can ask to go to the meetings.



Why is it important for us to go to the Patient Participation Groups?

It is important because it means we can speak up about health services and how they affect adults with learning disabilities or autism.

We can say what is working well and what could be better.

We can speak up for ourselves and for other people.



How many people will be involved in the Practice Partners project?

We need six people with learning disabilities or autism to join the Practice Partners project.



We will join three Patient Participation Groups in different surgeries in Cornwall.

We will have two representatives at each Patient Participation Group.



I am interested, but how will I be supported at the Patient Participation Group meetings?

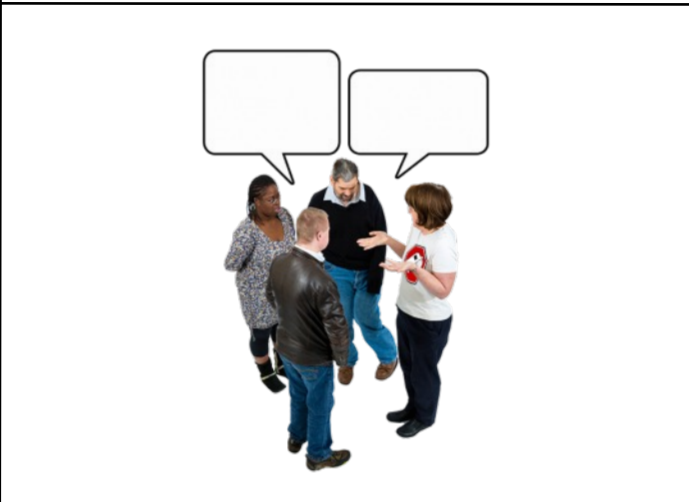
We will meet up with you before the groups to talk through what the meeting is going to be about and what you would like to say.

We will support you to speak up at the meeting.



We will support you if you need help to understand what they are talking about at the meeting.

After the meeting we will talk through what happened to make sure you understand.



We will support you to come to our Speak Up Groups to tell people what you talked about at the Patient Participation Group meetings.

You can also ask people if there is anything they would like you to tell the Patient Participation Group about health services.



Are you interested in joining the Practice Partners Project?

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