

Enabling Environments for Communication

A highly practical day workshop to help organisations and individuals make the adjustments to communication that people with learning disability and/ or autism are entitled to expect in order that they experience relationships and environments that facilitate understanding and expression.

A significant number of people with learning disabilities have some difficulties with speaking, listening, concentrating or understanding. While all good service providers prioritise respectful communication, many practitioners report that it is hard to know exactly what they can do to help their service users communicate

better. This course presents an inspiring range of techniques and ideas including an introduction to the way care providers have made use of tablet devices to better meet the needs of people who love to communicate but struggle to express themselves.

Course Dates Thursday 17th November 9.30 – 4.0pm **Birmingham**
Monday 13th February 9.30 – 4.0pm **Manchester**

Course Venue Birmingham: The Studio: 7 Cannon Street, Birmingham B2 5EP
Manchester: The Studio: 51 Lever Street, Manchester M1 1FN

Course Topics All of the course topics are geared to practical ways practitioners and organisations can help promote better communication:

- How to identify whether a service user has potential for improved expression
- Techniques for talk: how the language used by carers impacts on communication, and how a few simple adjustments can change everything.
- From low to higher tech. An overview of support approaches that can be offered to match communication need and interest ranging from use of signing right through to the use of affordable tablet devices.
- What have other organisations done? Hear real stories of how investing in staff training in communication has impacted on the lives of people who have speech, language and communication support needs.

More details Brought to you through a partnership with the Association for Real Change (ARC) the course is delivered by Ami Coleman, an experienced Speech and Language Therapist and professional trainer.

Course Fee £120
£100 for subscribers to the ARC 'Real People' Newsletter
£90 for ARC members **INCLUDES LUNCH**

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