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Request to the providers of the learning disability services in the Black Country area

Here to Stay: people with learning disabilities from new migrant communities

We need to increase our knowledge of **people with learning disabilities from ethnic minority communities including new migrant communities in England**. The ***Here to Stay*** project addresses this problem; please see press release. The Big Lottery Fund has commissioned researchers from the University of Wolverhampton to find out more about the extent of help that is needed for people with learning disability and what is available. As a result of this we are collecting data from the public and voluntary sectors in the Black Country. But so far, some of the information we collected is too general and incomplete. We are therefore asking practitioners who work directly with people with learning disabilities to support us to improve the reliability of the information we have.

What do we mean by New Migrants?

New migrants are defined as individuals who are not British citizens but resident permanently or temporarily in England; this includes asylum seekers, refugees, seasonal workers and travellers, from all ethnic groups from within and outside of the European Union.

What do we mean by Learning Disability?

Learning disability includes the presence of:

- a significantly reduced ability to understand new or complex information, to learn new skills (impaired intelligence), with;
- a reduced ability to cope independently (impaired social functioning);
- which started before adulthood, with a lasting effect on development.

We need your help to make this research a worthwhile undertaking. We would like you to **complete the short questionnaire overleaf and return it in the enclosed stamped addressed envelope before ...** .

We will be in touch after this date to explain the research further should we not hear from you.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely
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Questionnaire
Here to Stay

Our question	**Your answer**								
Total number of people with learning disabilities you provide service for?									
How many of them are **not** white-British?									
Please tell us the ethnicity, nationality, language, religion, age and gender of each of **non-white-British** service users. As an example please see Service User 0 in the grid on the right. [If you run out of space please use an extra sheet of paper]		Preferred ethnicity	Nationality	Country of birth	Preferred language for communication	Religion	Age	Gender	Place of residence
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