Participant Information Sheet

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

What is our study about?

Researchers from the University of Wolverhampton working with the Association for Real Change are trying to learn more about people with learning disabilities from ethnic minority communities, particularly new migrants.

For example, we would like to know:

1. What services do people use at times of need?
2. Are people who use these services satisfied?
3. If not satisfied, what else should be done to improve services.

Why is our study important?

This study will help to make learning disability services more visible and appropriate to people from ethnic minority communities, particularly new migrants.

What we would like you to do for us?

We would like to ask you to participate in a group discussion with people in a similar situation to yours.

Why do we want to ask you questions?

We want to know about your experiences of caring for people with a learning disability. We also want to know what else should be done to improve services, if you are not satisfied with it.

How should you answer the questions?

Tell us what you think. Listen to what other people say and comment on it if you wish. It is not a test and there are no good or bad answers.

Why do we want to record our meeting?

We are recording what is said during our meeting to make sure that nothing that you say is missed.

How long is this meeting going to take?

Time you will commit to us is no more than 60 minutes.

What are we going to do with what you tell us?

We will write down our conversation. You can have a copy if you wish.

We will then consider what you say with what other people tell us.

We will write a report based on this. Your name will not be mentioned.

Any criticism of services will have no effect upon the services provided to a person you care for.

Everything you say/report is confidential unless you tell us something that indicates that you or someone else is at risk of harm. We would discuss this with you before telling anyone else.

If you would like to discuss anything or have a concern about any aspect of this study, please contact Dr Olga Kozlowska, a researcher to the project:

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