

Centering people in housing decisions

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Housing as a building block



What people with learning disabilities tell us...

- A home is much more than a roof over your head.
- The right home makes you feel safe, supported and secure
- That sense of security can make the difference between simply existing and living a fulfilling, independent life.
- The right home can improve all other areas of your life

The Reality



- Most people don't live in the right place
- Feeling safe, supported and secure isn't a reality for most people
- Don't have a choice or control over who they live with or where they live

Same and Equal Choices



- People with learning disabilities have different needs, preferences and ambitions
- There is no one-size-fits-all approach. Don't assume everyone wants the same things from life.
- Give people as much choice and control as possible

Centring people in decisions



- Informed decision making through accessible information
- Person-centered planning with the people who are important
- Housing options need to be flexible: people's circumstances, aspirations and support needs change over time
- Housing strategies and local plans should reflect the needs and preferences of people with learning disabilities.

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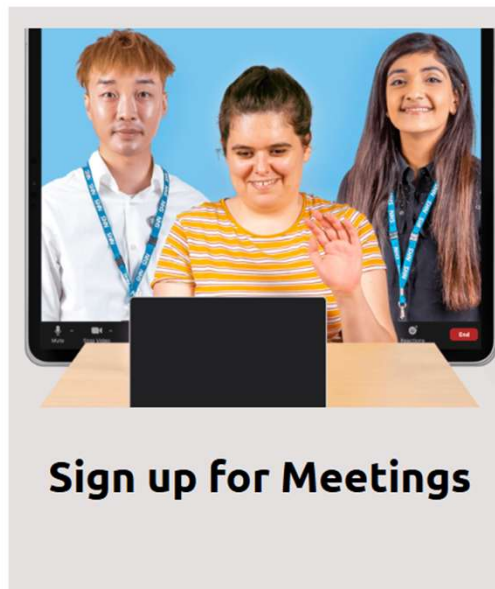


What is the Community of Practice?



- A chance for everyone interested in housing to come together
- Sessions built around sharing best practice, reactive to members needs and to share your work
- Quarterly online meetings
- Upcoming sessions
 - September: **Equal housing choices**
 - November: **Housing rights**

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