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Draft guidelines on 'Community Living: Support & Accommodation for Adults with a Learning Disability'

Ends 25th
September 09

Your views are being sought on draft guidance drawn up by members of the Learning Disability Implementation Advisory Group working with Assembly officials and other interested parties on 'Community Living: Support and Accommodation for Adults with a Learning Disability' This guidance is designed to replace Welsh Office Circular 1/91 'Support and Accommodation for People with a Mental Handicap'.

Whilst general comments/views on any part of the draft guidance would be welcomed, in particular, we invite consultation responses on the following matters:

1. Is there a need for the Welsh Assembly Government to issue updated guidance on support and accommodation for adults with a learning disability living in the community?
2. If yes, are the areas covered by the draft guidance comprehensive and appropriate? Should any part of the draft guidance text be amended? If so how?

Responses can be sent to: ldstrategyconsultationreplies@wales.gsi.gov.uk.

Please visit the Welsh Assembly Government website for more information and to download consultation documents:

<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/healthsocialcare/living/?lang=en>.

Sexual Health and Wellbeing for Wales 2009-14

15th June - 5th Oct 09

We want to hear your views on improving sexual health services in Wales. The consultation will run for 16 weeks commencing on the 15th June 2009 ending on the 5th October 2009.

The draft paper aims to:

- Develop a society that supports open discussion about relationships;
- Increase sexual health literacy;
- Reduce the number of unwanted pregnancies;
- Reduce rates of sexually transmitted infections and HIV;
- Improve the health and social care for people living with HIV.

In order to meet these aims the draft paper recommends that action is required by local health organisations, health server planners, local authorities, third sector providers and Welsh Assembly Government. To assist in analysis of responses, please use the consultation response form which contains a number of key questions.

To download the working paper and consultation questions visit the Welsh Assembly Government website on:

<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/healthsocialcare/sexualhealth/?lang=en>.

Responses to the consultation can be sent by e-mail to: sexualhealth@wales.gsi.gov.uk.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES





4 th Sept	<p>Family Fun Day RNID are arranging a Family Fun Day on Saturday 4th September 4pm - 8pm at Newport YMCA. Tell us what you want to get out of RNID services for young people in 2009 and enjoy loads of activities including a climbing wall, etc.</p>	<p>For further information please contact Laura Collins on Tel: 07944 865715 or email: youthsupport.wales@rnid.org.uk</p>
10 th Sept	<p>WRVS Newport Good Neighbours Scheme A drop-in session for volunteers is to be held at Betty's Café in Newport Market (upstairs) between 10am & 12pm on Thursday 10th September 2009.</p>	<p>For further information please contact the team on Tel: 07834 653350 or Email: newport.gns@wrvs.org.uk</p>
15 th Sept	<p>Grandparents Group Are you a Grandparent living in Newport and involved in raising grandchildren? Would you like the opportunity to meet with others in a similar position and have a chat over a coffee/tea? Then you are welcome to come along on Tuesday 15th September 2009, 10.30am – 12.30pm at the Pavilion, Belle Vue Park.</p>	<p>For further information please contact Nicola Davies on Tel: (01633) 241578 or email: nicolajdavies@gavowales.org.uk</p>
16 th Sept	<p>Tea Dance The next tea dance is being held on the 16th September 2009, 2pm – 4pm upstairs in the Gallery, Newport Market. Join us to dance to pre-recorded music or sit and enjoy the fun, all welcome.</p>	<p>For further information please contact the Market Manager on (01633) 265069.</p>
18 th Sept	<p>Welsh Eyecare Conference 2009 This all Wales conference is aimed at anyone involved in eye health and supporting people with sight loss, across the public, voluntary and private sector. Organised by Optometry Wales and Welsh Council for the Blind this free event is being held at Cardiff University on the 18th September 2009.</p>	<p>For further information please phone 02920 473 954 or email: conference@isite-now.org.uk</p>
22 nd Sept	<p>Mental Health Today Wales 2009 A free conference and exhibition to be held on Tuesday 22nd September 2009 at Holland House Hotel, Cardiff. Explore how to overcome the social, financial and systematic barriers that prevent people moving on with their lives.</p>	<p>For more information or to book a place please visit www.mentalhealthtoday.co.uk</p>

2 nd Oct	<p>Time to Change Event An Awareness Event consisting of local mental health organisations, guest speakers, short presentations, workshops and a range of information is to be held at the Riverfront Theatre, Newport on Friday 2nd October 2009, 10.30am – 2.30pm.</p>	For more information please contact Helen Whewell, Newport Community Mental Health Team on (01633) 786132.
4 th Oct	<p>Sponsored Memory Walk The Alzheimer's Society and Gwent Befriending Project have organised a 'Memory Walk' at Belle Vue Park on the 4th October 2009, 10.30am – 1pm.</p>	For more information please contact Linda Williams on (01633) 665110 or Jane Czyrko on (01633) 436814.
5 th Oct & 6 th Oct	<p>Tobacco Control Conference A two day conference at Holland House Hotel, Cardiff, looking at the importance of working in partnership to spread the tobacco control message and celebrate successes in reducing prevalence rates.</p>	For more information please visit www.smoking-conference-wales.org.uk/index.php
6 th Oct	<p>Amazing Benefit Event! ResponsABLE Assistance are arranging an afternoon of music, arts and fundraising to raise money towards helping ship much needed equipment to disabled people in Madagascar. This equipment will aid many disabled people there to whom assistance and living aids are largely unavailable. Tuesday 6th October, 11.30am – 3.30pm at Riverfront Arts Centre, Newport.</p>	For further information please email: responsableassistance@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.responseableassistance.org
10 th Oct	<p>Senior Citizen's Information Day Taking place on Saturday 10th October 2009, 10am – 3pm at Newport Centre. Over 70 organisations from the public, private and voluntary sectors will be attending to provide information and advice to the over 50s in Newport</p>	For further information please contact Rebecca Dawkins on (01633) 232279 or email: rebecca.dawkins@newport.gov.uk
21 st Oct	<p>All Wales Mental Health Promotion Network Annual Conference 2009 'Recession, Resilience & Resourcefulness: Threats & Opportunities for Mental Wellbeing' held on Wednesday 21st October 2009 at Glyndwr University, Wrexham.</p>	For more information please contact Wales Centre for Health on (02920) 226 749 or email: mentalhealth@wch.wales.nhs.uk

18 th Nov & 19 th Nov	<p>Learning Disability Wales: Feel Good, Stay Well</p> <p>On the 18th & 19th November, Learning Disability Wales are hosting a Feel Good, Stay Well Event at the Holiday Inn, Newport. This aims to increase the health & wellbeing of children & adults with learning disabilities in Wales.</p>	<p>For further information please contact Rebecca Watkins on Tel: (02920) 681160 or email: rebecca.watkins@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk</p>
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HEALTH EVENTS CALENDER 2009

7 th Sept – 13 th Sept	<p>Blood Pressure Association Know Your Numbers Week</p>	www.bpassoc.org.uk
9 th Sept	<p>Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Aware UK International Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Day</p>	www.fasaware.co.uk
10 th Sept	<p>International Association for Suicide Prevention World Suicide Prevention Day</p>	www.iasp.info
15 th Sept	<p>Lymphoma Coalition World Lymphoma Awareness Day</p>	www.lymphomacoalition.org
19 th Sept – 4 th Oct	<p>British Food Fortnight</p>	www.britishfoodfortnight.co.uk
21 st Sept	<p>Alzheimer's Disease International World Alzheimer's Day</p>	www.alz.co.uk
22 nd Sept	<p>Department of Transport In Town Without My Car Day</p>	www.itwmc.gov.uk
27 th Sept	<p>World Heart Federation World Heart Day</p>	www.worldheartday.com
28 th Sept – 4 th Oct	<p>Rural Health Week</p>	www.rural-health.ac.uk/policy/rhweek.php
30 th Sept	<p>World School Milk Day</p>	www.dairy.com

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