Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training in Learning Disability and Autism

Update February 2020

In November 2019, the Government announced the introduction of the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training in Learning Disability and Autism for all health and social care staff, relevant to their role. This was in response to a consultation on the proposal of mandatory training.

The consultation was held following the second annual report of the Learning Disability Mortality Review (LeDeR) Programme, which recommended that mandatory learning disability and autism training should be provided to all health and social care staff, delivered in conjunction with, and alongside, people with a learning disability and/or autistic people, and their families and carers.

There will now be a series of trials to design and test a new training package, ahead of a wider roll-out.

You can read the full consultation response here. The training will be based on the capabilities frameworks for supporting people with a learning disability and autistic people.

Health Education England and Skills for Care are working with the Department of Health and Social Care to find partners for these trials. We will be appointing a number of training partners/partnerships who will develop and test training methods and materials. An evaluation provider will also be appointed.

Interested in submitting a bid?

The Invitation To Tender (ITT) is now open. You can access and start a bid through the Supplying to the NHS Portal – if you access the portal via another link, you might need to click on ‘Current Opportunities’ and search for it by key word or the reference DN458393.

The end date to express your interest is 27 February 2020.

The ITT responses must be submitted by 20 March 2020 at 18.00.

Got a question?

Please submit any questions regarding tenders via the portal.

Skills for Care is coordinating all other enquiries about the trials on behalf of the Department of Health and Social Care and Health Education England. If you have a question, please email us.

Please note that we might not be able to answer your question immediately and will aim to respond in 4-6 working days.