



## Learning Disabilities Mortality Review (LeDeR) Programme Bulletin

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### LeDeR's 2018 annual report has been submitted to HQIP

The University of Bristol's LeDeR team has submitted a draft of its 2018 annual report to the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP). The report will now go through various stages of approval, including an Independent Advisory Group, before it is formally signed off for publication by NHS England. It is anticipated that the 2018 annual report will be made public by NHS England in May this year. Click [here](#) for further information.

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### Have your say on the Government's proposal to make learning disability training mandatory

There's still time to have your say on the Government's proposal to introduce mandatory learning disability and autism training for health and social care staff. The need for mandatory training was one of the recommendation in our [2017 Annual Report](#). We would urge everyone to comment on this Government proposal. The consultation closes on April 12<sup>th</sup>. [Click here](#) for further information.

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### This is how to contact the University of Bristol's LeDeR team for help with a review

**0117 331 0686** is a phone number anyone can use to contact the LeDeR team between 10am and 3pm, Monday to Friday (not including Bank Holidays). We call it our Advice Line and it's for anyone to use to ask for advice about a review. If the line is busy when you ring, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Or you can email the team on [leder-team@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:leder-team@bristol.ac.uk).

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### Join NHS England's growing online community in its Learning Disability Mortality Network

An online community is now available to all professionals across health and social care committed to reducing health inequalities and premature mortality among people with learning disabilities. NHS England has created the Learning Disability Mortality network to enable national collaboration and to ensure that the learning from completed LeDeR reviews leads to change and improved. Please [email](#) to join the network.

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## LeDeR eLearning update expected by April

Almost 200 people have completed training to become reviewers or local area contacts since the launch of eLearning training in September 2018. Based on feedback and comments, the LeDeR team will be updating the eLearning online courses over the next few months. It is anticipated that the new updated eLearning will be available online from April. Click [here](#) to access our eLearning portal, which is also available to current reviewers and local area contacts for refresher training. eLearning is delivered as part of a blended learning approach alongside local face-to-face support sessions

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## This month's Learning into Action newsletter will focus on the Mental Capacity Act

March's Learning into Action newsletter will focus on work being done around the country in relation to the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and working in people's best interests. It will be sent out on Friday, March 29. Anyone who has anything to contribute should email [chris.allen@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:chris.allen@bristol.ac.uk). Previous Learning into Action newsletters can be downloaded [here](#). They've covered topics including sepsis, constipation, aspiration pneumonia and recognising deterioration.

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## Conference on improving the health of people with learning disabilities being held in April

The West of England Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) is holding a conference in Bristol next month aimed at anyone with an interest in improving the health of people with learning disabilities. ANSN will outline the structure of a new quality improvement venture, co-led by the West of England AHSN and NHS England. The event, which is free, will focus on three key areas: recording and communicating NEWS2, improving completion and quality of annual health checks, and increasing uptake of flu vaccinations. [Click here](#) to book a place at the event on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

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## Public Health England publishes guidance on oral care for people with learning disabilities

Guidance on oral care for people with learning disabilities has now been published by Public Health England. It aims to help health professionals, paid social care staff and family members to support someone with learning disabilities to get good oral care. Click [here](#) for further information.

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## Guidance documents on ways to make reasonable adjustments have been updated

Public Health England has updated its series of guidance documents on how reasonable adjustments should be made to health services to provide better access to services for people with learning disabilities. These documents share information about making reasonable adjustments for people with learning disabilities in specific health service areas. It is aimed at health and social care professionals and family members who provide support. It is available to download [here](#).

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## How to sign up to receive LeDeR bulletins and newsletters

If you've been forwarded this by a colleague or friend and want to have LeDeR bulletins and newsletters sent direct to your inbox, you can add your name to our database by signing up [here](#).

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The next LeDeR monthly bulletin will be sent out on **Friday, April 19**. Please email any items for inclusion to [chris.allen@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:chris.allen@bristol.ac.uk) by the end of **Friday, April 5**.

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