



Derbyshire Learning Disability County Partnership Board

Independent Chair - Job Description

The Independent Chair will support and sustain the work of the Learning Disability County Partnership Board, and provide governance leadership and strategic support. Specific responsibilities include:

Leadership, governance, and oversight

- Being a trusted advisor to the Assistant Director of Adult Services as they develop and implement the strategic plan for the provision of services for people with a Learning Disability;
- Developing and managing relationships and communicating with partners, and other stakeholders;
- Reviewing outcomes and measures evaluating the impact of the work of the partnership board;
- Assisting in recruiting and training board members;
- Periodically discussing board members' roles and helping them assess and develop their performance;
- Planning, presiding over, and facilitating board meetings; supporting the co-chair during meetings and partnering with the Assistant Director of Adult Services to ensure that board resolutions are carried out;
- Acting as an ambassador for the partnership board and people with a learning disability; and
- Ensuring the Board's commitment to a diverse board that reflects the communities it serves.

Board terms

The Learning Disability County Partnership Board Chair will serve a two-year term and will be eligible for re-appointment for one

additional term. The two year term of service will commence with appointment in March.

Board meetings will be held every three months, unless changed by a subsequent board decision.

Qualifications

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual who is passionate about the inclusion and enhancement of whole life experiences of people with a learning disability.

Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:

- Experience of leadership in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector;
- Demonstrated success as a board member or board chair;
- Track record of building credibility in the community;
- A commitment to and understanding of the County Partnership Board's beneficiaries, preferably based on experience;
- Diplomacy skills and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships and persuading, convening, facilitating, and building consensus among diverse individuals;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills coupled with an affinity for public speaking; and
- Personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of people with a learning disability.

Service as the Independent Chair of the Learning Disability County Partnership Board is remunerated at the same annual rate as elected family carers and self advocates.