



## Learning Disabilities Support

The vision for a better future for people who have learning disabilities was set out in Valuing People (White Paper, 2001). It argued that people should have equal rights as citizens and that services for people with learning disabilities should promote inclusion, independence and choice.

These sentiments were confirmed in the Valuing People Now report published in January 2009, stating that more people should have opportunities to live in their local communities, have a home of their own, and use their skills and talents in a job wherever possible.

Carewatch believes that by providing services which have a focus on promoting independence and wellbeing it will assist people who have learning disabilities to have more choice and control and to make a positive contribution to their lives, to their families and local communities.

Carewatch agrees with the proposals in 'Putting People First' (2007), 'Healthcare for All' (2008) and the 'Independent Living Strategy' (2008). As a result we should see more people who have a learning disability living more fulfilling and longer lives.

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We provide a person-centred approach which focuses on outcomes to help achieve personal goals, greater independence and choices. Our computer software programmes can track the progress of these goals and match our qualified staff to individual preferences.

Carewatch care & support workers can help promote health issues and an active life for people who have learning disabilities. Support workers receive training by using Health Action Plans and Communication Passports.

Our care & support workers will help to support the local approach to safeguarding vulnerable adults.

Carewatch strives to involve people who have learning disabilities in having their say about the support they receive. We provide care and support that is based on dignity and respect.

Carewatch is happy to work with people who have individual budgets, ranging from Direct Payments through to Individual Service Funds and services purchased wholly or partly by the local council.

### How can we help?

Carewatch provides care and support in the community. It does so in a way that helps people with learning disabilities and those with multiple and complex needs

