



## Learning Disability Qualifications



Workers supporting people with learning disabilities should be trained and have an award or qualification.



Skills for Care is now in charge of this training. They are working in a group with others to change the training and make it better.



They tell the National Learning Disability Workforce Group what they are doing.

## The Learning Disability Induction Award



The new training is called the Learning Disability Induction Award. It will include things that everybody supporting people with learning disabilities should know about.



Getting this award will help people to go on to do other training and awards like NVQs.

## Learning Disability Knowledge Sets



Skills for Care is also working on a list of things that all support workers should know. These are called Learning Disability Knowledge Sets.

These sets will be used by the people who run services for their staff training.



The sets will make sure workers know the same things and can do a good job wherever they are working.

They will be made in a way that means they can change to meet new ways of working like being in charge of your own service (self directed support).

## Asking people what they think



Skills for Care has started asking people about what should be in these sets.

They will be asking professionals at workshops what they think about what workers need to know and how this all fits into other qualifications.



They will also be asking people who use services and family carers what they think.

## Next steps



The sets, saying what support workers need to know, will be the starting point that can be used for other training, awards and qualifications.



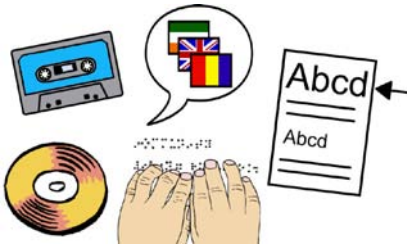
This will be instead of the award used at the moment called the Learning Disability Awards Framework (LDAF).

## Area Groups



Skills for Care has worked with the Valuing People Support Team to set up groups in each region in England to make sure the people who run services and support workers can get the help and information they need to do a good job.

## Finished work



When the work on the sets has finished, in the autumn, Skills for Care will make sure full and accessible information is there for everyone to use and the area groups are helping people to use it.



## More Information

For more information please go to the Skills for Care website



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