

THE FUTURE OF SERVICES FOR DISABLED CHILDREN: BEST PRACTICE AND SUPPORT

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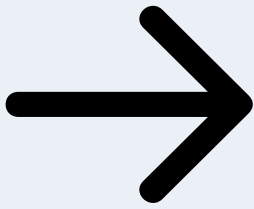


Speakers Include:

- Hardip Begol, Department for Education
- Richard Hawkes, Chief Executive, Scope
- Liz Sayce, Chief Executive, Radar
- Kate Martin, Making Ourselves Heard, Council for Disabled Children
- Sutton Disability Partnership
- Esther Burrige, Daycare Trust
- Ruth Owen, Whizz Kidz
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- Richard Selwyn, Commissioning Support Programme



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With a new Coalition Government in power the way we think about, fund and provide services for disabled children look set to change. The emphasis placed on local spending and local decision making by the new government brings with it opportunities to diversify the ways in which we fund and provide services. Providers will have greater opportunities to innovate and collaborate with other services in their local area. At the same time the Coalition Government is keen to put more power into the hands of disabled children and their parents to shape the services they need and receive. The economic environment, however, means that providers will be challenged to deliver cost savings and provide further value for money. To take advantage of this agenda and understand the opportunities it presents commissioners and providers need a greater understanding of the policy context and best practice examples of funding and service delivery. This conference aims to bring together experts from the policy, commissioning, design and frontline of service delivery to explore these themes and promote a diverse, sustainable and innovative future for disabled children services.



We believe that we have reached a set of actions and proposals that will make a real difference to all disabled children and their families, and create a local and national focus on promoting the life chances of disabled children and their families.



Lord Adonis and Ed Balls

Foreword, Aiming High for Disabled Children

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Children's services departments in LA
- Disability charities
- PCTs
- School nurses
- Teachers
- Doctors
- Nurses
- Managers at PPS
- Children's Advocates
- Participation teams
- Front-line practitioners working with disabled children
- Therapy centre workers
- Children's psychologists



09.45	Chair's Opening Remarks Richard Hawkes Chief Executive, Scope
09.55	Co-Chair's Opening Remarks Young service user
>> DIRECTIONS IN THE POLICY AND FUNDING OF SERVICES FOR DISABLED CHILDREN	
10.05	Disabled Children: Priorities of the Coalition Government TBC
10.20	New directions in disabled children's policy Hardip Begol Deputy Director for Special Educational Needs and Disability, Department for Education
10.40	Challenges and opportunities for the future commissioning of disabled children's services Richard Selwyn Commissioning Support Programme and Director of Children's Services
11.00	Ensuring justice for every disabled child - What still needs to be done? Liz Sayce Chief Executive, Radar
11.15	BREAK
>> REALISING THE POWER OF PARENTS AND CHILDREN IN DEVELOPING AND DELIVERING SERVICES	
11.35	Involving Disabled children in the decisions that affect their lives Kate Martin Making Ourselves Heard, Council for Disabled Children
12.00	Bringing parents and carers together in partnership with health, education and social services Sutton Disability Partnership and a Parent
12.25	PANEL DEBATE // How can personalisation give parents and children more control involvement over the design and delivery of services and support: Discussion & Q&A Liz Sayce Chief Executive, Radar / Activities Unlimited / Scope / Sutton Disability Partnership / Mary Jane Hoyle Parent
13.00	LUNCH
>> GOOD PRACTICE, INNOVATION AND MODELS OF DELIVERY	
14.00	Working collaboratively with the NHS Ruth Owen Chief Executive, Whizz Kidz
14.25	FACILITATED WORKSHOPS:
	1. Educating disabled children and those with SEN
	> Supporting parental choice
	> Where have we come from and where are we going?
	> The future of SEN policy
	> Supporting parental choice in education.
	Facilitators: Phillipa Stobbs, Principal Officer, Council for Disabled Children Professor Geoff Lindsay, Director, CEDAR, UNiversity of Warwick
	2. Innovation and good practice in services for disabled children
	> Promoting participation in family and community life
	> Using demand from parents and children to stimulate the market
	> Transformation of short breaks
	Facilitators: Scope and Activities Unlimited, Suffolk County Council Rob Fountain, Head of Training, Consultancy and Events, Shared Care Network
	3. Advocacy, Involvement and Inclusion Awareness
	> Ensuring disabled children and young people are involved in reviews and planning meetings
	> How independent advocacy can support participation
	> Early Years Inclusion
	Facilitators: Esther Burrige, Daycare Trust Lucy Aston, Senior project worker, The Children's Society's Disability Advocacy Project
	4. Bridging the Gap: Services for Disabled young people in transition to adult life
	Facilitator: Lucia Winters, National Transition Support Team, Council for Disabled Children
15.25	Chair's Closing Remarks Richard Hawkes Chief Executive, Scope
15.35	Co-Chair, closing remarks Young service user

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