

Tuesday 11th November 2008

SHARING PRACTICE NETWORK: PROGRAMME

"However beautiful the strategy, you should occasionally look at the results"

Sir Winston Churchill

9.45am **Registration & Coffee**

10.15am **Welcome & Introductions**

- Don Williamson, Chief Executive, Shared Care Scotland
- Janice Hewitt, Director of Community Services, Stirling Council

10.30am **Outcomes and Impacts**

- Outcome Focus: A new relationship between central and local government - *Chris Bruce, Community Care (Lead on Outcomes), Scottish Government*
- Outcome Focus: What does this mean for local authorities and how they plan, deliver and evaluate services? - *Carol McMillan, Service Design Manager, Community Services, Stirling Council*
- How will this impact on carers and service users? - *Emma Miller, Research Consultant*

Three short presentations to inform and update the audience on the background to National Outcomes and Single Outcome Agreements, and the impact of this outcome focused approach for those on the ground.

11.30am **Refreshments**

11.40am **Outcomes and Impacts for Short Break/Respite Care Services**

- Group discussion

The Government has put short breaks for carers high on their list of strategic priorities and aims to deliver an additional 10,000 weeks of provision over the next three years. What are the implications for planning and commissioning and how can we ensure this additional provision delivers better outcomes for carers and care recipients? What can the Scottish Government or others do to support us in this work?

12.40pm **Feedback to Panel**

- Plenary

Feedback on main points arising from Group Work. What emerged and where does this take us?

1.00pm **Lunch & Topic Tables**

Topic Tables: Your opportunity to seek help or advice from your colleagues; or 'test fly' an idea that you may have been pondering, or simply share some information.

2.00pm **Developing a Short Break Bureau**

- Margaret Petherbridge, Policy & Development Officer, Falkirk Council
- Joette Thomas, Research Consultant

The results of Shared Care Scotland's research into the Short Break Bureau approach to service planning. What makes a successful SBB service and what are the benefits for those who plan, deliver and use services?

2.30pm **A Right to a Break**

- Group discussion

The SNP Manifesto stated in their 2007 election manifesto that by 2011, those carers in greatest need will have a 'guaranteed annual entitlement to breaks from caring'. What issues are raised by the introduction of a 'guaranteed entitlement'? How might such an entitlement be managed locally and what would help or hinder successful implementation?

3.15pm **Refreshments**

3.25pm **A Right to a Break: Report Back**

- Plenary

Feedback from the group discussion.

3.35pm **Final Comments on the day and Closing Remarks**

3.45pm **Finish**



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