

# National Advocacy Conference 2018

October 25th 2018  
Birmingham NEC

## Key Note speakers

Supported Decision Making as a Legal Right  
*Dr Lucy Series*

Advocates and the role of the Ombudsman  
*Michael King Local Government Ombudsman*

Advocates helping people to get the good lives they want  
*Sam Sly*

Supporting Everyday Decisions: Advancing the right to enjoy legal  
capacity in law and society *Prof Rosie Harding*

Every year in October, over 250 of us come together to celebrate all things advocacy. We use the day to push ourselves to learn more, so that we can do more and be more.

Will you join us?

There will be opportunity to join 2 workshops – bring the team



## Workshop Options

Tips and tricks in using community care law legislation to promote choice *Jess Flanagan*

The right to enjoy legal capacity: Advocacy, Human Rights and Supported Decision Making *Prof Rosie Harding*

How advocacy services can be better embedded within communities

Perfect for  
IMCAs

Role of the 1.2 visitor. Should and how advocates can take this on

Perfect for  
Care Act  
Advocates

Will I ever get into my home? What's the law? Care Act & CCG responsibilities for arranging accommodation. *Belinda Schwehr*

Look for my lustre. Finding precious feelings – working with people experiencing a dementia *Dr Jane Dalrymple*

Perfect for  
IMHAs

Stopping over medication of people with a learning disability, autism or both with psychotropic medication – *STOMP NHS England*

Advocacy and how to use community circles *Cath Johnson*

Perfect for  
Children's

Advocacy as a way to realising children's rights *Carolyn Willow*

LGBTQ and advocacy. Exploring advocacy approaches to inequalities  
*Jacqui Jobson*

Importance of Self Advocacy *People First*

What is the future of advocacy?

## Question Time



*The day will conclude with a live Question Time panel and audience discussion about the current state of advocacy and where it is headed. This interactive discussion will bring everyone together to reflect and discuss topical issues. You can submit questions to the panel in advance or simply contribute on the day.*

Tickets £150 + VAT  
3 for 2 'bring your team' offer on all tickets

Want to get involved?

*Limited number of exhibition stands are available to showcase exciting projects, best practice or research. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity get in touch with [kate.mercer@katemercer-training.com](mailto:kate.mercer@katemercer-training.com)*

What do people say about the conference?

*"Outstanding speakers and high quality workshops - I've attended many conferences recently and this was by far the best. The energy and passion was contagious!"*

*"The speakers were truly amazing and the workshops really helped me expand my knowledge. So glad I came"*

*"I brought my whole team and I'm so glad I did. We have left feeling great and fired up to 'push it'. See you next year!"*

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