

Margaret from Cornwall said:

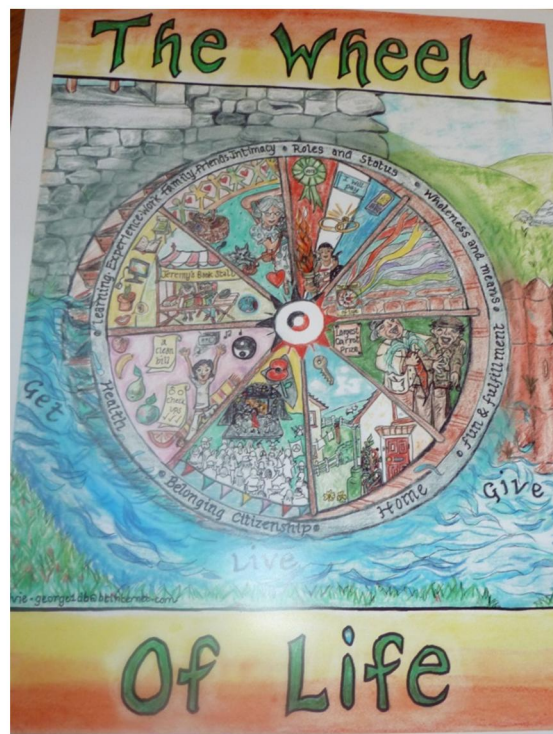
"The course has given me a sense of purpose, a reason. It set my values straight and gave me value. It gives an opportunity to share knowledge, experiences, stories, hopes, dreams and fears in a place of mutual support and understanding. It is a safe place to release and come to terms with emotions. It nurtures, gives confidence, empowerment, vision and skill. For me it is a journey of discovery and delight as I seek and gain knowledge, from people who have travelled or still travel on my road. I am both proud and humbled by the whole experience. I truly feel that Partners in Policymaking is the greatest investment I can make towards achieving a positive future for my daughter, myself and hopefully many others."

we now have a bank of information and resources to be tapped into. People on the course were so keen to work together to make inclusion work".

Alan from Sefton

If you want to be clearer about changes to health and social care.

Sharing Knowledge is a free citizen leadership course which will help you better understand current thinking. It will give you the right skills and knowledge to deal with changes and can lead to better support for you/the person you care for"



For an application pack and for further information,

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Sharing Knowledge Gloucestershire



A citizen leadership course is being offered to residents in Gloucestershire. The course is called Sharing Knowledge and is being run by in Control supported by Partners in Policymaking.

Sharing knowledge is paid for by Gloucestershire County Council so is free to Participants

Sharing Knowledge will equip the course participants with the latest cutting edge information so that they will know what is available and what is possible, in order for them to plan the best futures for themselves, their families and others who may need support.

underpinning the course content and design is a belief that the people who need support, and their families have always been the true experts on what they need and what they want in order to have positive and successful life.

Who should apply for the course?

There are 25 places available. We want people to apply for a place on the course who have first-hand experience of issues that affect disabled children, young people and young adults. When we use the term disabled, we are including people with learning difficulties, people with sensory or physical impairments and people who use mental health services.

We are looking for people who are:

Keen to be part of a strong community network

want to be a champion for Gloucestershire

are passionate about people's right to be included

committed to action and working with other people to

make life better for people who may need support



Some of the things we will cover.

How to get your point across

The history of the self-advocacy movement

Why health and social care services have been designed the way they have.

How policies and new ideas come about.

You will have the chance to meet other people who want things to be better and be connected with the strong network of families working together across the country.

THE COURSE PROGRAMME

Sharing Knowledge Gloucestershire consists of six, two day sessions, which will run over 12 days.

EACH OF THE DAYS WILL LAST FROM 9.30AM UNTIL 3.30PM

Each session will cover topics and issues that are important to disabled people and their families.

THE PROGRAMME WILL START IN APRIL 2015 AND FINISH IN NOVEMBER 2015 COURSE TOPICS WILL INCLUDE.

Understanding and relating to systems, including new guidance and changes

Learning about self-directed support

Getting the right support

Making change happen locally and nationally.

'Listening Learning, Planning and creating together'

