

IMPACT Networks- Invitation to take part as a Local Network member

We would like to invite you to be part of an exciting project that is part of [IMPACT](#).

IMPACT Networks aim to:

1. To **improve practice and outcomes** in adult social care at the local level and solve common, yet complex, challenges
2. To collate **practical solutions at the community level** to create scalable solutions that **inspire and inform change across the UK**.

IMPACT Networks will focus on a particular topic. You are invited to be part of your local one that explores **supporting people with learning disabilities/ autism to come out of long-stay hospital**. We hope this topic is of interest to you and feel that you would have valuable contributions to make.

If you would like to take part, over a period of **6 months**, you'll meet **4 times** with other people from your local area – your village, town, city, council or local authority – who want to improve adult social care.

At the same time, there will be other Local Networks in Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and England, all focused on the same issue, with the ultimate aim to share learning and produce **action plans to facilitate change at the local level**.

You'll be given materials before each meeting based on learning from across the other UK Networks to discuss and agree next steps.

Everyone who takes part will have a chance to have their voice heard and influence change.

Resources are available to help everyone take part, including a payment of £75 per meeting and support to attend (e.g. for the costs of a personal assistant or replacement care).

If you would like to take part in your Local Network or have any further questions, please contact a.cagney@sheffield.ac.uk