

Commissioning and provision of local employment supports for people with learning disabilities

IS IT WORKING?

IS IT WORKING? provides a 'health check' on the commissioning and provision of local employment supports for people with learning disabilities. Its aim is to help both commissioners and providers to respond to the challenge of increasing the quality and quantity of employment opportunities at a time when -

- the demand from people with learning disabilities for support to access employment is increasing
- national government policy is to encourage and support more people to enter into employment
- many Local Authorities/Councils are investing increasing resources in employment supports
- most Local Authorities/Councils are far from meeting the demand for employment and job support.
- many people who want jobs remain in day service programmes, college placements, or at home.

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IS IT WORKING? offers a review of local employment commissioning and service provision with a focus on identifying:

- ◆ *Is there an effective local commissioning strategy that will deliver real employment opportunities and supports?*
- ◆ *Does local commissioning reflect government guidelines and best practice in delivery?*
- ◆ *Does current commissioning offer quality, value for money and reflect changing aspirations/needs and eligibility?*
- ◆ *Are local employment services working in line with commissioning strategies and national guidelines?*
- ◆ *Is the delivery of services based on examples of best practice?*
- ◆ *Do local services offer quality, flexibility and value for money?*
- ◆ *Are local services meeting changing aspirations/needs and eligibility?*

IS IT WORKING? combines reviews of local provision and commissioning, meetings with key stakeholders and analysis against guidance and best practice with the aim of supporting the commissioning and delivery of high quality, responsive and value local employment supports.

An **IS IT WORKING?** review costs just £4,500 plus VAT.