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DYING WITH A LEARNING DISABILITY:

THE LAST MONTHS OF LIFE OF PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES LIVING IN LD SERVICES ACROSS THE UK



This conference launches the findings from a unique and major UK study funded by the Baily Thomas Charitable Fund. Learning disability services provide settings that support people with learning disabilities to lead full and enriched lives. This includes supporting people with learning disabilities as they approach the end of their lives. However, evidence as to how services achieve this is lacking.

The day will provide opportunities to hear the findings and to share experiences about care at the end of life for people with learning disabilities. It will be of interest to academics, service providers, professionals and carers.

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Death presents huge challenges for individuals, communities and societies, across time and culture. Death counts! This is the same for us all. However, are deaths different? Are we all equal in death? Are people with learning disabilities different in death? How they supported when they are dying? This conference aims to explore these in more detail using findings from our major UK study. Data were obtained by following a population of over 13,000 people with LD living in services across the UK over 18 months. **240 deaths** occurred within this population. With the support of 36 service providers, we obtained data on different dimensions of the lives and deaths of those 240 people with LD.

The conference is being supported by the [Palliative Care for People with Learning Disabilities Network \(www.pcpld.org\)](http://www.pcpld.org). The PCPLD Network brings together service providers, people with a learning disability and carers working for the benefit of individuals with learning disabilities who have palliative care needs. One aim of the conference is to highlight the work of this network across the UK and to develop the presence of the network in Wales.

The conference will present findings from this unique and major UK study funded by the Baily Thomas Charitable Fund. As well as hearing from members of the study team (Dr Stuart Todd, Dr Jane Bernal and Dr Katherine Hunt), to ensure that the findings of the conference are linked to policy and research in this country and beyond, there will also be guest speakers Dr Hywel Francis (Dying Matters Wales), Dr Anne Marie Nelson (Scientific Director Marie Curie Research Centre) Prof Mary McCarron (Dean of Health Sciences, Trinity College Dublin) and Dr Irene Tuffrey (Kingston University and St George's University of London and Treasurer of the PCPLD).

The cost of the conference is £75 inclusive of tea, coffee & lunch.

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