



PCPLD Network
Palliative Care for People with Learning Disabilities

NEWS

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PCPLD NETWORK FORMALLY REGISTERED AS CHARITY

We are delighted to announce that the Charity Commission has just given us notice that we have formally been registered as a charity!

You can see our entry here: <http://beta.charitycommission.gov.uk/charity-details/?>



WE WANT YOUR VIEWS!
We are updating the website and would like your views...

With the 20th Anniversary of the Network coming up in 2018 and the 10th Anniversary of the Linda McEnhill Award the same year, we thought now would be an excellent opportunity to give our website a bit of a facelift!

We would love to have your input on the website - how would you like it to look? What content do you think we should have? Is there anything on the current site that we don't need? We'd also really

appreciate any photos you have that you might be willing to share with us - be they from events or from your work or with your families.

Do get in touch with your thoughts! Send an email to Alice our Admin at info@pcpld.org and we'll endeavour to include all your ideas.

Thank you!

EXCITING JOB OPPORTUNITY

RESEARCH ASSISTANT NEEDED FOR NEW STUDY, THE 'TALKING ABOUT DYING SURVEY'

Kingston University have just advertised an interesting and exciting new job opportunity. Dr Irene Tuffrey-Wijne is leading the study, and the successful candidate will work closely with her. She says: 'You will be part of an ambitious electronic survey involving learning disability services throughout the UK. The study involves administering electronic questionnaires to social care and support staff. [...] Our previous research has indicated that support/care workers tend not to inform people with learning disabilities when they, or someone close to them, are terminally ill and expected to die. [...] As the research assistant, you will be responsible for recruitment of participants and data collection. This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of a national survey at all stages, from contacting potential participants to sharing the survey results, and considering the implications of these results.'

You can find out more about the job and how to apply here: <http://tinyurl.com/z2g5oj3>

DIARY

'Dying with a Learning Disability' conference

- 1st March 2017
 - Radisson Blu Hotel, Cardiff
- <http://tinyurl.com/jatcj5p>

The Association for Palliative Medicine 'Supportive and Palliative Care Conference' - 30th & 31st March 2017

- The Waterfront, Belfast.

<http://apmonline.org/events/>

Art Exhibition: *Dying matters* - week of 11th May 2017

- Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester.

<https://www.artofdying.co.uk>

15th World Congress of the EAPC

- 18 - 20 May 2017
- Madrid

<http://www.eapc-2017.org/>

Strathcarron Hospice Annual Conference 'New Directions in Palliative Medicine'

- 28th & 29th Sept 2017

www.strathcarronhospice.net/annual-conference-2017/

IRENE WINS AWARD

PCPLD Network's Treasurer Dr Irene Tuffrey-Wijne has been selected as Winner of the 2017 Post Doctoral Research award by the European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC), for her research on intellectual disabilities and palliative care.

The EAPC's 15th World Congress is being held this year in May, in Madrid (see Diary section above for more details) with the title '*Progressing Palliative Care*' and as a result of her award Dr Tuffrey-Wijne has been invited to give a plenary talk there.

Irene said: 'I'm absolutely delighted and proud to receive this award, not least because this will really help in raising the profile of people with intellectual disabilities'.

