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January 2015

Mencap's free 'Planning for the Future' events in your area

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to let you know about the forthcoming wills and trust events that have been organised in your area in **March**, which I think the **parents of your pupils** may be interested in attending.

The wills and trusts team at Mencap advises over 3,000 people each year on how best to make a will and set up a trust. We ensure that people are able to organise secure future financial support in the best possible way for a loved one who has a learning disability. Julie Crabtree, Post-16 Manager at Ravenscliffe High School, attended a 'Planning for the Future' event and said 'the session was excellent. The presentation was clear, informative and very relevant to parents of young people with a learning disability. All parents should take advantage of the wills and trust service when planning for their child's future.'

Writing a will or setting up a trust can sometimes seem a daunting prospect. It needn't be; we are here to help.

- We run free two-hour 'Planning for the Future' events in each region of England, Wales and Northern Ireland annually. They are delivered by a qualified local legal professional who provides advice on how to leave money to a loved one with a learning disability
- We have a number of helpful guides and booklets that give valuable information about writing wills, setting up trusts and leaving gifts
- We have a directory of legal professionals from across the country who have been selected against a strict criteria, based on their experience of working with parents & carers of people with a learning disability and their expertise in making wills and setting up trusts.

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Planning for the Future

A number of 'Planning for the Future' events have been organised in your area. The events are being held between the **11th March and 17th March 2015**. Details can be found on the enclosed booking form.

I would be grateful if you could copy and pass the booking forms onto any interested parents at your school. Anyone who would like to attend an event just needs to complete and return the form using our freepost address (which can be found at the bottom of the form). Alternatively, they can use the online booking system on our website www.mencap.org.uk/pffe, or contact me directly on 020 7696 6925 or willsandtrusts@mencap.org.uk

If they cannot make one of the events but would like some legal advice on wills and trusts, please ask them to contact Mencap's in-house solicitor on 020 7696 5533 or email wtsolicitor@mencap.org.uk

If you would like more information about the 'Planning for the Future' events or would like to order any of our wills and trusts information booklets, please get in touch or visit www.mencap.org.uk/willsandtrusts

Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to meeting you and the parents of children at your school at one of the forthcoming 'Planning for the Future' events.

Kind regards,



Gina Collins
Wills and trusts team assistant

Planning for the Future Events

If someone in your family or someone you care for has a learning disability, you can take steps now to ensure their finances are well looked after when you are no longer around. Mencap have organised some FREE information sessions where you can find out more about setting up Wills and trusts for the benefit of someone with a learning disability.

Mencap would like to invite you to one of the sessions:

Wednesday 11th March, 12.30pm – 2.30pm & 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Newcastle City Library, Charles Avison Building, 33 New Bridge Street West, **Newcastle upon Tyne**, Tyne and Wear, NE1 8AX

Thursday 12th March, 12.30pm - 2.30pm

The Bar Convent, 17 Blossom Street, **York**, North Yorkshire, YO24 1AQ

Tuesday 17th March, 12.30pm - 2.30pm

St George's Centre, Great George Street, **Leeds**, West Yorkshire, LS1 3BR

There will be a local legal professional speaking, who has experience of drafting wills for the benefit of people with a learning disability. These seminars are very popular, so please book your place(s) as soon as possible using the tear off section at the bottom of this sheet. All places and venue details will be confirmed in writing 2 weeks before the event.

**To book your place, please send your completed booking form to:
Gina Collins, Wills & Trusts Team, Freepost WD3537, London, EC1B 1AA,
or call us on 020 7696 6925**

Booking Form

I would like to reserve _____ place(s) at the free Planning for the Future event.

(In the unlikely event of the event being cancelled Mencap will make every effort to contact you, so please fill in as many contact details as possible).

Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Home Tel:	Mobile:
Email:	
Which event would you like to attend? (Please state clearly):	
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NAS Harrogate and District Branch “Fringe Conference”

We are hosting a morning of speakers on **Tues 3rd March 2015** at
Harrogate International Centre – Kings Suite, Kings Rd, Harrogate, HG1 5LA
(Entrance directly opposite Cartridge World)
Reg 9.30am – Starts 10.00am finishes 12.45pm

This is an exclusive opportunity to see world renowned speakers:

Geoff Evans, Head of Autism Practice, Options Group
- *A holistic approach to supporting individuals with autism
with their behaviour*

&

*Professor Gillian Baird, Consultant Paediatrician,
Guy's & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust & Professor of
Paediatric Neurodisability, King's College*
- *Talking on the NICE guidelines & more*


Place your booking now – limited seats available!

This event is FREE brought to you by the NAS Harrogate branch volunteers
(Suggested £5 donation on the day all funds go directly to Harrogate NAS. The
branch is not funded nationally by the NAS & we raise funds locally to benefit
activities for the community)

Book directly with the branch (not the venue) via the link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/harrogate-nas-fringe-autism-conference-3-march-2015-registration-15217272271>

Secure your booking by Fri 27th Feb



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