



Jim Blair - Guest Speaker at the AGM
10th November 2015 – 7p.m – 9p.m
New Opportunity Centre, 1 Foxglove Close, Edmonton N9 8LW.

Care Adjustments in Hospital: *Better Care and Healthier Lives for People with Learning Disabilities.*

- Practical solutions to challenging problems
- Thinking differently acting creatively
- Alert flagging systems
- Reasonable adjustments – core and bespoke- how they improve care
- Collaborative partnerships



Jim Blair

Jim is currently a Consultant Nurse Intellectual (Learning) Disabilities at Great Ormond Street Hospital in London and Associate Professor Intellectual (Learning) Disabilities at Kingston University and St Georges' University of London as well as the Health Advisor at the British Institute of Learning Disabilities. He also acts as a Learning Disability Advisor to the Sates of Jersey's Health and Social Services Department.

Jim advocates for the health rights of people with learning disabilities through his clinical work, researching, publishing papers, presenting at national and international events and leading and setting up different award winning innovative projects and multidisciplinary groups to improve the health of people with learning disabilities and their families. People with a learning disability and their families are the experts and play a vital role in planning, developing, delivering and evaluating services as well as teaching professionals how to improve care provision.

From 2008-2013 Jim was the first Consultant Nurse Learning Disabilities at St.George's Hospital in London ensuring safe lawful timely care was delivered in partnership with people with learning disabilities.

Between 2006 and 2009 Jim was president of the Royal Society of Medicine's council for the Forum on Intellectual Disability. From 2011-2013 Jim was Vice Chairman of Special Olympics Great Britain. Jim is an Expert Advisor to the Parliamentary Health Service Ombudsman, an advisor for the Down Syndrome Medical Interest Group and is on the editorial board of www.intellectualdisability.info. Jim is also a Specialist Clinical Advisor to the Care Quality Commission and a Clinical Expert with NHS England. He is also an Executive Committee Member of British Academy of Childhood Disability