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Peer support in your community

In this edition of the Side by Side Cymru Newsletter we are covering eligibility for the free shared learning workshops and how to make grant applications. We also share the latest on forthcoming networking events.



COMING TO PEMBROKESHIRE SOON

The big news is that Side by Side Cymru, having launched in Ceredigion, is heading for Pembrokeshire.

From April onwards Side by Side Cymru will be extending the peer support network into the county meeting and presenting to key organisations and partners.

If you are a organisation or individual involved in peer support, and based in Pembrokeshire, contact our Project Worker for more details.

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MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

We have had a lot of questions about eligibility to access our free workshops and how the grant application process works. Here is a quick guide:

Any organisation, group or individual with an interest in peer support is encouraged to attend our free networking events.

Non statutory community based groups, organisations and individuals are invited to become members and access the free shared learning workshops and apply for the small grants up to £250.

Groups that have been set up by statutory funded organisations can also become members. They are able to engage with the workshops and grant funding, if the group is moving towards being independent and there is a clear commitment by the statutory provision to step back from facilitating the group. The group would need to take responsibility for applying for the grant and for looking after any resources that are being purchased.

In terms of evidence, the group should have something that demonstrates they are moving towards independence. An example of this is a group agreement that can be presented when completing the membership form.

For any queries please contact our Project Worker, details to be found on the side panels of this newsletter.

NETWORKING EVENTS IN MARCH

Taking place at the Guildhall, Cardigan at 3pm on Wednesday the 20th of March, all welcome.

Also appearing at the Victoria Hall, Bryn Road, Lampeter at 6.30pm on Thursday the 21st of March, all welcome.

We will be looking at what Side by Side Cymru and peer support is all about and practical ideas on how to set up and run a peer support group. Each event will include refreshments and the chance for you to share your hopes and fears for the peer support hub and the types of workshops you would like.

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GRANT APPLICATION UPDATE

We are all set to present completed grant applications to the first panel on Tuesday 26th of March 2019.

Applications for this panel need to be submitted by 5pm on Friday 22nd of March. You can download the paperwork in English or Cymraeg from the Mind Aberystwyth website or Side by Side Cymru Facebook page.

Please use the guidance on our website or Facebook page to ensure that your application meets the required criteria. For hard copies please contact the Project Worker.

Rejected applications will be returned with feedback and guidance on how to improve for future submission.

If you have yet to submit your membership form, attend a networking event or complete a grant application, never fear! Mind Aberystwyth will be accepting grant applications on a four week cycle until the fund is exhausted. The panel will meet again on Tuesday 23rd of April, the deadline for April applications being 5pm on Friday 19th.

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