



Education, Training, Employment and Volunteering

Autism Action Planning

- Developed 2 local action plans
 - Central Bedfordshire
 - Bedford Borough
- Work together as a partnership board:
 - Raise awareness of autism in the learning/work place environment
 - Reasonable adjustments
 - Future opportunities
- Utilising local resources to achieve goals and opportunities
- 15 challenges set by people with autism, stakeholders and Central Government
- Care Act 2014 and Autism Act 2009

Employment

- “I want support to get a job and support from my employer to help me keep it”
- To achieve:
 - Opportunities of employment
 - Autism organisational awareness
 - Recruitment processes
 - Reasonable adjustments by employers

Education

- “I want people to recognise my autism and adapt the support empowered by services and to be as independent as possible”
- To achieve:
 - Further education to have autism friendly environment
 - Reasonable adjustments so students with autism can participate in educational opportunities
 - Staff aware of autism
 - Students aware of their rights as their move across the education sector

Training

- “I want people to recognise my autism and adapt the support empowered by services and to be as independent as possible”
- To achieve:
 - Reasonable adjustments so people with autism can participate in training opportunities
 - Apprenticeships
 - In job training tailored to people with autism
 - Autism friendly marketing of training opportunities

Volunteering

- “I want support to get a job and support from my employer to help me keep it” and “I want to know how to connect with other people.”
- To achieve:
 - Opportunities for volunteering
 - Autism organisational awareness
 - Volunteering recruitment processes
 - Reasonable adjustments by employers

Next Steps

- Group work:
 - Discussion about actions
 - Any further goals we could achieve about raising awareness, reasonable adjustments and future opportunities
- Action plans will be available on our website
- Contact details available
- Feedback on achievements so far in 2016