

The 3 Research Workshops '08 - '09

The Inclusive Research Network

The Inclusive Research Network, a joint initiative between NIID and the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, is a group of people who come together to do or talk about research that is about people with intellectual disabilities.



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In line with the Networks aims of training in research methods and developing partnerships on common research interests, the IRN held a series of 3 workshops (September and November 2008, February 2009) each in Dublin and Galway.



The 3 workshops were designed for people with intellectual disabilities and their support persons,

1. *[Listening skills](#), [questioning skills](#), working with groups of people, planning research and looking for a question to research.*



2. Different ways to research - life stories - action research – [surveys](#) – [interviews](#) - [focus groups & consultations](#) – and a session on "[ethics](#)".



3. Practising research and gathering data.

A total of 49 people completed the series of workshops and in addition, a further 20 presenters gave their time and expertise.

- Read an [easy-to-read summary](#) by Brian Donohoe of what happened at the second workshop in November.
- Read an [easy-to-read summary](#) by Brian Donohoe of what happened at the third workshop in February.