

New Directions - Personal Support Services for Adults with Disabilities

Personal Support Services for Adults with Disabilities underpinned by the Core Values of:

- Person Centredness
- Community Inclusion & Active Citizenship
- Quality

The range of supports to which individuals will have access should equip them to:

- make choices and plans to support personal goals;
- have influence over the decisions which affect their lives;
- achieve personal goals and aspirations; and
- be active, independent members of their community and society.

Choices of personal supports that should be made available in the future to all adults with disabilities:

1. Support for making choices and plans
2. Increased support for making transitions and progression
3. Increased support for inclusion in one's local community
4. Increased support for accessing education and formal learning
5. Increased support for maximising independence
6. Increased support for personal and social development
7. Increased support for health and wellbeing
8. Increased support for accessing bridging programmes to vocational training
9. Increased support for accessing vocational training and work opportunities
10. Increased support for personal expression and creativity
11. Increased support for having meaningful social roles
12. Increased support for influencing service policy and practice

This document was produced as an aide memoire for the participants of Next Steps Project. It provides a summary of the key points of the HSE's *New Directions - Personal Support Services for Adults with Disabilities Report*. This summary is not intended to be a full account of the briefing document. To read the full briefing provided to the disability sector, please go to the following link:

<http://www.hse.ie/eng/services/Publications/services/Disability/new%20directions.html>