Sexuality and Intellectual Disability –Resources & Reading List

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Resources:

For training and networking in the area of sexuality and intellectual disability (for people with intellectual disabilities, family members and staff) contact

 The Irish Sex Education Network (ISEN) –email: <u>isentraining@yahoo.co.uk;</u> ph: 087- 6284538, website: <u>http://www.isenonline.com/</u>

For a comprehensive list and review of available sex education resources, see:

- Health Scotland (2008). Sexual Health and Relationships A Review of Resources for people with learning disabilities. <u>http://www.healthscotland.com/uploads/documents/7819-</u> <u>AReviewOfResourcesforPeopleWithLearningDisabilities.pdf</u>
- Also forthcoming, Irish Sex Education Network (ISEN) online database of resources <u>http://www.isenonline.com/</u>

For a list of resources in the area of people with intellectual disabilities as parents, see:

- Working Together with Parents Network (Supporting parents with learning disabilities and their children) <u>http://www.bristol.ac.uk/norahfry/right-support/</u>
- Through the Looking Glass http://lookingglass.org/index.php

For resources for working with gay men and women with intellectual disabilities, see:

 Online resources of the: <u>http://www.bristol.ac.uk/norahfry/resources/online/#sexuality</u>

Reading list:

This reading list covers:

- Attitudes, experiences & aspirations (of society, families, staff & people with intellectual disabilities),
- Sexual knowledge
- Sex education,
- Sexual health,
- Sexual abuse,
- Gender,
- Sexual orientation,
- Marriage,
- Parenting,
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- Training needs,
- Policy,
- Capacity to consent,
- Legislation,
- Research and
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