

Right to Control Trailblazers Presentation

Aims of the day

What will make a successful bid?

- Discussion of some of the more challenging issues (DFG, Housing)
- How might the customer journey work?
- Developing a bid with partner agencies – and what else you should consider (communications)
- Funding the Trailblazers and the support we can offer

A reminder of the vision...

- The Right to Control is about disabled adults having control over the support they need to live their lives;
- It is about giving disabled people a legal right to know up-front how much money is available to pay for the range of support they need and;
- Disabled people identifying their needs and discussing how their agreed outcomes can best be met;
- By bringing together funding streams from more than one agency
- The **aim** should be for a disabled person to only have to “tell us once”.

Our support to you so far:

Events

- Held two information events in July and two further events in November

Prospectus

- Set out minimum requirements for Trailblazers
- Details of the funding streams to be included
- Objectives of the Trailblazer programme
- What success will look like

Newsletters

- More detail of the application process and what successful bids should demonstrate
- Answers to FAQs

Latest news

- Closing date for applications extended to **29th January**
- Total money available to Trailblazers increased to **£7 million** (to cover local authority delivery and that of Jobcentre Plus and any other local organisations involved in the project)
- Support from ODI and the evaluation will be funded separately

A: Minimum Requirements

All bids must contain

- All named funding streams
- All client groups
- All new customers
- How you will implement the legal requirements
- A Right to Control customer journey
- Provision of information and advice to disabled people about the Right to Control
- Co-production of the bid with disabled people
- Contributing to the ODI evaluation

B: Quality of proposal

- Can be innovative
- But must be achievable

- Opportunity to give more detail on the customer journey
- How you propose to work with service providers to offer more choice and control to their customers
- How you would run the project in your area
- A chance to demonstrate your enthusiasm and commitment!

Legislative Framework

Primary legislation has cross party support

Secondary legislation will:

- Convey the right in the named Trailblazer areas
- Remove any identified barriers
- Enable data sharing and alignment
- Provide for direct payments

Answers to some FAQ's

- Procurement within Trailblazer sites: we would expect you to follow your own internal rules.
- Is it possible to introduce the regulations to enable the Right to Control incrementally? No.
- Can we offer the Right to Control to existing service users? Yes – but that cannot impact the core offer to give the Right to Control to new customers; and we need to be very clear who is getting it (for our regulations)
- How will the funding be allocated between the Trailblazer authorities? May be some negotiation; but assume a fairly even split

Next Steps: The Selection Process

- Closing date for applications– 29 January 2010.
- Sift Panel – w/c 1 February 2010.
- Selection Panel 8,9 and 17 February
- RtC Trailblazer sites announced - late February 2010