

# MCA Awareness Week in Devon and Torbay

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## Project method

The MCA Awareness week ran from 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> February 2016 and included the launch of 9 short films which cover the key aspects of the Act broken down into small, easily digestible, clips and available to watch at <http://devon.cc/vids>.

A large conference was organised and held on 11<sup>th</sup> February with approx. 250 delegates attending from a wide cross-section of agencies and disciplines. High profile national speakers included, Baroness Finlay, Niall Fry, Rachel Griffiths (CQC) and a national law firm. The day included the opportunity for delegates to attend workshops to learn more about specific aspects of the Act.

In addition to the above, each statutory organisations MCA lead was asked to support the awareness week by committing to supporting various activities and initiatives on an organisational level. These activities were collated and circulated locally for all to see and act in part as a pledge.

## Project results/evaluation

A debrief meeting and evaluation of the awareness week and conference is planned for early March once delegate feedback has been collated.

Initial feedback of the week on the whole has been very positive. Equally there were many very positive comments in regards to the conference. With several people being inspired to go back their work place and further support MCA awareness raising. There has also been considerable interest in the MCA short films.

## Project area classification

Hospital care	X	Emergency care	X
GP care	X	Dementia	X
Social care	X	Learning disability	X
Voluntary sector	X	Other mental health	X
Financial services	X	Palliative care	X
Police	X	Advance planning, LPAs	X
Legal	X	Commissioning	X
Community health care	X	Training	X
Nursing and care home	X	For professionals?	X
Acute care	X	For public and service users?	X
Chronic care	X		