

Video Production - of a play entitled “Don’t Leave Me Now” by Brian Daniels

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Project method

Stakeholders have told us that they like short films and videos as this enables an emotional engagement with MCA which is essential for effective learning. To this end, the project has worked with a playwright to film a touring play that has received national recognition. The story is a spoken play, and is about the lives of two people with dementia, family life and mental capacity. The play engages service user’s experiences, being based on the true account of a same sex couple, which also addresses the lack of explicitly inclusive resources for LGBT groups. The video includes signposting information to our own website resources, SCIE and Office of The Public Guardian for LPA information. The play is performed as a reading which is visually simple and has been edited to approximately 30mins. It is aimed at being emotional and thought provoking, inspiring people to find out more. It has been shared freely with many groups and is available on YouTube and SCIE. It is suitable for

- Formal paid carers
- Unpaid carers/family members
- Healthcare professionals
- Care professionals

There is also a training aid leaflet to supplement learning points from the video.

Project results/evaluation

The video has so far been very well received and copies have been requested from organisations all over the country after it was shared by organisations such as Dignity Matters. It is still being marketed and information about it has recently been sent out to local secondary schools and colleges.

The audience should be told that the film is very emotional and as such may be less suitable for some.

Project area classification

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