

MCA – Carers Awareness Seminar

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Project method

The Trust is an Acute Mental Health and Community Services provision. It was felt carers should have the opportunity to learn more about the Mental Capacity Act from their perspective as carers. The sessions covered: rights as carers of a person who lacks capacity to make decisions, the protections the act offers carers, advanced planning for when the person they care for (or themselves) lose capacity and time for questions. The sessions were promoted through carers networks and held in venues which carers would be familiar with. The times were chosen to allow maximum attendance.

Project results/evaluation

2 sessions were held in Bradford and Keighley which received positive feedback. The sessions will be repeated annually. The sessions will also be delivered to Service Users following consultation with the Trust's Patient Experience and Involvement Team.

Project area classification

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