



# Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training in Learning Disability and Autism Trial Newsletter

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## This is Oliver:



You can find out more about Oliver's story here...

<https://www.olivermcgowan.org/>



The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training trial is co-delivered by autistic people, people with a learning disability, family carers and clinicians. It includes face-to-face delivery and blended learning approaches.

The training trial is free of charge across Gloucestershire. Tier 1 is for staff who occasionally interact with people with a learning disability or autistic people and tier 2 is for staff who interact and have some responsibility of providing care for people with a learning disability or autistic people. It runs between May – Nov 2021.

There are four trial partners throughout England who are currently designing and testing different ways to deliver the training to find what works best. Trial and evaluation partners are each leading a consortium of diverse groups and networks of organisations.

The training is named after Oliver McGowan, whose death shone a light on the need for health and social care staff to have better training.

## Final preparations...

Since the launch event on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021, we have been working with our colleagues in the Gloucestershire County Council - Proud to Learn Team - to embed the training package on their multi-agency training system.

Likewise, we have been working alongside our training colleagues in Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust to embed the training on the Care to Learn inhouse training system.

We had some difficulties with providing learning accounts for people outside of Gloucestershire, such as Bristol North Somerset & South Glos (BNSSG) and Health Education England has just given us permission to use eLearning for Health as an alternative for our other stakeholders who are not eligible for learning account through Proud to Learn

Throughout our final preparations to deliver both Tier 1 and Tier 2 training we have been guided by quality assurance feedback from the national project group. We are waiting for the very final changes to be made before we open for bookings next week on May 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

This month, we will start to train a small section of staff from all sectors. As we are the only trial site in the South West of England, we hope Data from

You can find out more about the training here...

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/learning-disability/oliver-mcgowan-mandatory-training-learning-disability-autism>

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## Final Word from Rozz:

I would like to thank Karen Clayton for her support during her time undertaking the role of Deputy Project Lead. Her input was valuable.

our trial will inform the mandatory training that all health and social care staff in England will have to complete from 2022-23. Therefore, we would welcome feedback on the content and delivery of the training to ensure better understanding of people's needs, resulting in better services and improved health and wellbeing outcomes for people with a learning disability and autistic people with or without a learning disability.

## Tier 1

Tier 1 entails two hours of online activity including a learning module and attending a 30-minute live webinar. It is relevant to all staff working in any sector who may occasionally interact with people with a learning disability and/or autism, but who do not have responsibility for providing direct care or making decisions about care or support.

## Tier 2

Tier 2 is a live hybrid event for which you can book a physical or online place. It is co-delivered by an Expert by Experience, a family carer and a professional person working within a learning disability service.

This whole-day event is relevant to health and social care staff and others with responsibility for providing care and support for people with autism or a learning disability, but who would seek support from others for complex management or complex decision making.

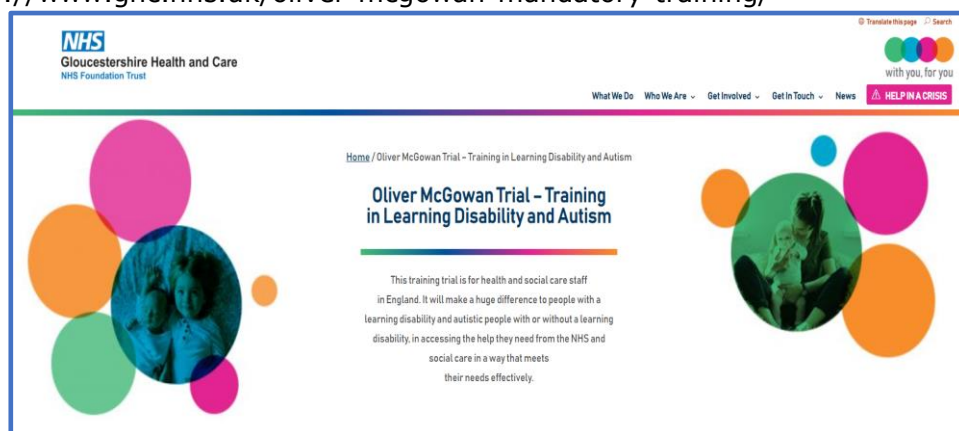
Here is our promotional video... [https://youtu.be/\\_CpKdAk\\_DQU](https://youtu.be/_CpKdAk_DQU)

## How to access the training...

**You only need to do one tier of training relevant to your role, but are very welcome to do both.**

Our Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Trial website explains how you can access the training and how you can attend both tier 1 and tier 2. Proposed Go Live date for booking Tier 1 (and possibly Tier 2) bookings is 12<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

<https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/oliver-mcgowan-mandatory-training/>



We are always keen to hear from people who may like to be part of the project board, or from people who would like to be added to the stakeholder mailing list now, or after the training is rolled out.