

SEXUALITY, LEARNING DISABILITY & THE LAW: THINKING TOGETHER
Capacity, Intimacy, Consent & Harmful Behaviour

Monday 17th June 2019

A G E N D A

- 9.30 - 10.00am Registration and Refreshments**
- 10.00 - 10.15am Welcome and introductions: Dr Noelle Blackman, CEO, Respond
- 10.15 - 10.30am Ice breaker: *Building a Network for Change: goals for the day*
- 10.30 - 12.30am Plenary Session: Capacity and intimacy**
- 10.00 - 10.10am Chair's welcome: Professor Sheila the Baroness Hollins, Patron of Respond
- 10.10 - 10.30am Aswini Weeraratne QC, Doughty Street: *Capacity to enter sexual relations: the law*
- 10.30 - 10.50am Suzanne Wilson & Luthfa Khan, Respond: *My Life, My Marriage project*
- 10.55 - 11.10am Coffee**
- 11.10 - 12.00pm Panel Discussion: *What are the issues around sexuality and capacity faced by our client group and their supporters and how might they be addressed differently?***
- Chair: Professor Sheila the Baroness Hollins, Patron of Respond
Panel: Natalie McPherson, Development Director, MacIntyre (Supported Living provider); Dr Claire Bates, Supported Loving Campaign; Christian Buchan, 2BU Wakefield LGBT Support Group Leader; and family member (TBC)
- 12.00 - 12.30pm Q & A
- 12.30 - 1.30pm Lunch**
- 1.30 – 3.00pm Plenary Session - Harmful sexual behaviour: a different approach**
- 1.30 - 1.40pm Chair's Welcome: Dr Roger Banks, National Senior Psychiatric Lead, NHS England, Transforming Care, Learning Disability Programme

- 1.40 - 2.00pm Laura Janes, Legal Director, Howard League for Penal Reform: *Children and Young Adults in Prison*
- 2.00 - 2.20pm Helen Gerolaki, Forensic Services Manager, Respond: *Working therapeutically: case studies*
- 2.20 - 3.00pm** **Film & Panel Discussion: *Perspectives on the Respond Circle of Support & Accountability (COSA) model : A Relational response***
- Chair: Oliver Lewis, Barrister, Doughty Street Chambers
- Showing of Respond's COSA short film
- Panel: Julia Dick, Service Manager, COSA; Dr Susan Hilliard, Evaluator, COSA; John Woods, Forensic Psychotherapist; Lorenzo Picco, Coordinator; Margaret Rust, family member; Alison Kahn, COSA Volunteer and Respond Trustee
- 3.00 - 3.15pm** **Refreshments**
- 3.15 - 3.45pm** **Guest Speaker: Gina Miller, transparency & political activist, writer, mother, business woman, philanthropist**
Long-time supporter of Respond
- Chair: Dr Noelle Blackman, CEO, Respond
- 3.45 - 4.00pm** **15min workshop activity for tables**
- Question: *How can we work together to support our clients to live safe and fulfilling sexual lives? What are the priorities and what might future partnerships look like?*
- 4.00 - 4.30pm** **Plenary Session - 'The Way Forward': Building a network for thinking together**
- Dr Noelle Blackman, CEO, Respond
- 4.30pm** **Close**

