

International Initiative for Disability Leadership: Inclusion, Growth, Resilience

Dear NZDSN Member,

How to Enable Good Lives – A collective New Zealand Experience

E mihi ana ki a koutou katoa huri noa i te ao, koutou o tēnā whenua, o tēnā tai, o tēnā motu. Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa

On behalf of IIDL, I would like to extend an invitation to you and members of your team to participate in the following exchange: "How to Enable Good Lives?" This exchange is hosted by a collective of New Zealand service providers seeking to advance contemporary practice within New Zealand. This will be a virtual exchange, held as part of the IIDL International exchange scheduled between March and October 2022.

As we are living in an unprecedented time in Global history, all of our IIDL member countries will now have gained learning regarding the vulnerability of systems and supports to People with Disabilities. You might also be in the process of taking the steps necessary to advance towards more contemporary and resilient models of service.

In an effort to advance innovation more quickly, this group of providers are working in collaboration to host an international exchange over a series of monthly sessions, culminating in participation at the respective regional hubs October 26th and 27th.

The key topics that will be advanced during this exchange will be:

Enabling active citizenship.

- How Community Circles are changing lives. Options
- Strategies and approaches for moving people/person towards greater independence. Including building a human rights committee and advisory committee of disabled persons
- Approaches to hearing the voice of disabled people
- Supported decision making with in an organisational context

Progress to service transformation

• How implementing self-management within an organisation shifts decision making to team members and people/person supported.

- Supporting a pathway out of compulsory care (i.e. people under justice orders). What this means and how it can transform lives
- Building and sustaining wrap-around supports for young people
- Progressing service transformation (which is within our control) while promoting system transformation (which is out of our control.)
- Shifting the focus of services and accountabilities to outcomes (transformational) away from inputs and outputs (transactional.)

This is an invitation to you to join us in this virtual knowledge exchange. While it is unfortunate that we will not all be able to meet in person this exchange will offer an opportunity to engage in a collaboration with organisations internationally who are seeking to advance service quality for people being served.

We would very much welcome you and members of your team to join with us and share your experiences of this journey with us. Registrations are now open by following this link: <u>IIMHL - 2022 Leadership Exchange</u>

2022 Theme: "Valuing Inclusion, Resilience and Growth" "Kaingākautia te Whakawhāiti Tāngata, te Ngākau Manawaroa, te Puāwaitanga o te Tangata"

Yours Sincerely

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