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1. Oliver McGowan Campaign



Oliver sadly died, aged 18, in November 2016



The doctors and nurses treating Oliver had not had any training on how to work well with Autistic People and People with Learning Disabilities



In 2022 The Health and Care Act said that all Health and Care Professionals must have training on how to give Autistic People and People with Learning Disabilities good health care



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The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training, named in memory of Oliver, has been co-produced by people with lived experience of Autism and Learning Disabilities and professionals



So what have we been doing at Speakup to help make a difference in Health Care?



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2. How we are making a difference in Health Care

Since the beginning of the year we have been working with our partners from:

- The Oliver Campaign
- The NHS



... we now have 21 Experts with lived experience of Autism and Learning Disability who are qualified to deliver the Oliver McGowan training, either online or in person, to Health Professionals



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We are working hard in our South Yorkshire area to make sure that what happened to Oliver will not happen to anyone else who has Autism or a Learning Disability



3. Awards Awards Awards



On Friday 21st June five Speakup members – Alison, Vicky, Jodie, Hayley and Harry travelled to Birmingham for the ...



National Learning Disabilities and Autism Awards 2024



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The South Yorkshire Region, represented by Alison and Vicky from Speakup, was a finalist for the ...

Oliver McGowan Award



And Jodie won Best of the Best People's Award for her work with our employment partners ...

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The Research Culture Awards Leeds University



Team Leader Amy Russell of Leeds University with fellow co-researchers ...

- Jodie and Vicky from Speakup
- Gary from Learning Disability England



“We are delighted to have won the 2024 Research Culture Award for ...

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Research Practices”