

What is the Autism Partnership Board?



The Oxfordshire Autism Partnership Board (APB) is made up of a group of people who work together to help make the lives of children, young people and adults with an Autism Spectrum Condition and their families better.

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What does the Autism Partnership Board do?



- **Supports** and **checks** that the actions in the Oxfordshire Big Plan for Autism (2012 to 2017) are being put into practice
- **Influences, recommends,** suggests ideas and **advises** commissioners on service design, where there are gaps in services, and says what is working well and what needs to improve
- **Shares** information with lots of professionals across Oxfordshire
- Makes sure children, young people and adults with an Autism Spectrum Condition and their families are **involved** and consulted
- Works with the wider **community** in Oxfordshire



What does the Autism Big Plan say?



By 2017 there are 4 things we want :

1. Families & professionals know where to get information and how to get a diagnosis
2. Children, young people and families have access to the support and advice they need
3. Adults with autism can live a full life with access to support at the times they need it
4. Awareness training has been undertaken by staff and everyone understands autism better

2015 Plan: Diagnosis and Information



- **Adults** - Make the adult diagnostic care pathway clear to all professionals and publically available
- **Adults** – Monitor the demand for diagnostic assessments and review current contracts that end in December 2015.
- **CYP** – Agree and implement the CYP 0-18 diagnostic care pathway
- **CYP** - Make the CYP diagnostic care pathway clear to all professionals and publically available
- **Data** - Find a systematic way to collect information on the numbers of people with Autism in Oxfordshire to help us plan better

Support for children, young people and families (CYP&F)



- Establish CYP pathway sub group – SA/JL
- Safeguarding and e safety: programme to be developed – GL/SE
- Continue to input needs of ASC into national CYP initiatives such as the SEND reforms, Children & Young peoples' Act, through members involvement
- Reduce variation & set a minimum standard of knowledge and skills for health, social care and schools in Oxfordshire – proposal to schools forum
- Agree a standardised information pack

Adults with Autism can live a full life just like anyone else



- Implement plan for the £18.5K capital grant
- Therapeutic support available that meets needs of autistic clients
- Quality requirement in contracts for providers to identify clients with autism
- Review ASC employment support and longer term plan

Training and awareness



- Extend awareness training to more GPs
- Quality requirement in provider contracts to evidence numbers of staff that attended training
- Measure use of E learning package across providers
- Reduce variation across county of take up of autism training in schools – linked to CYP action