

Annual Health Checks for People with Learning Disabilities

One step that GPs can take to reduce health inequalities for people with learning disabilities is to offer good quality health checks on an annual basis.

Who can help a GP practice ensure all their patients with learning disabilities have annual health checks?

Health Facilitators (Learning Disability Nurses), who can help doctors and nurses to understand how to complete annual health checks for people with learning disabilities and provide advice and training on how to give better care to people with a learning disability.

<http://www.southernhealth.nhs.uk/services/learning-disability/strategic-health-facilitators/>

Resources include:

- Learning Disabilities Friendly GP surgeries
- A new poster about Annual Health Checks
- ABCD Checklist for Practices
- Easy read invitation to Annual Health Check example
- Easy read Annual Health Check preparation documents
- 'Your next patient has a Learning Disability'
- 'Meeting the needs of patients with Learning Disabilities'

Other resources

Books beyond Words - www.booksbeyondwords.co.uk

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