



Health Inequalities:

Findings from the Confidential Inquiry into premature deaths of people with learning disabilities

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Number of reviews



We reviewed :

- All known deaths of people with learning disabilities
- From 5 PCT areas
- From 1st June 2010 – 31st May 2012.

233 adults with learning disabilities
14 children with learning disabilities
58 comparator cases.

Key findings reported in 2013



People with learning disabilities die sooner than people without learning disabilities.

Age at death



Median age at death for males was 65 years.
Men with learning disabilities died on average 13 years earlier than men in the general population.

Median age at death for women was 63 years.
Women with learning disabilities died on average 20 years earlier than women in the general population.



🌟 For every one person in the general population



who dies from
an avoidable
cause of
death



two people with learning
disabilities will do so.

🔥 For every one person in the general population



who dies from a cause of death that could be prevented by good quality care

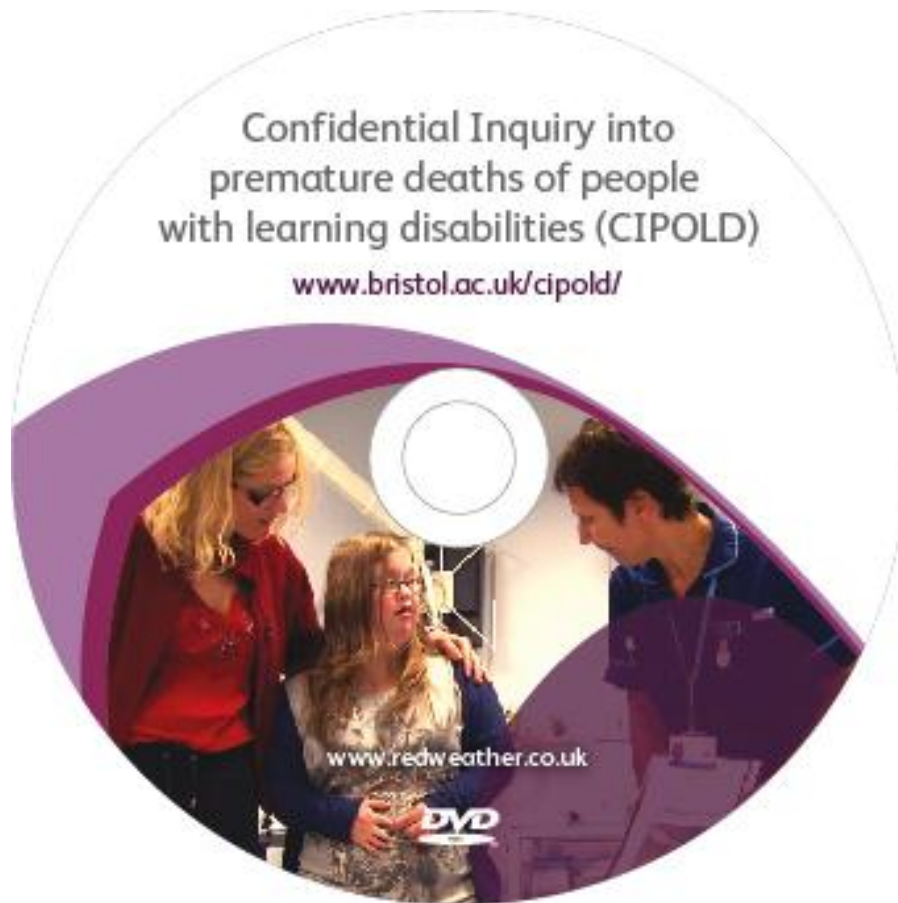


three people with learning disabilities will do so.

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Confidential Inquiry into
premature deaths of people
with learning disabilities (CIPOLD)

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🌟 So what has been happening to make things better?

Actions at

- National
- Regional
- Local levels



Big hospitals



We are working with the Care Quality Commission and Monitor so that they check on reasonable adjustments (making services easier to use).

We will write this up.



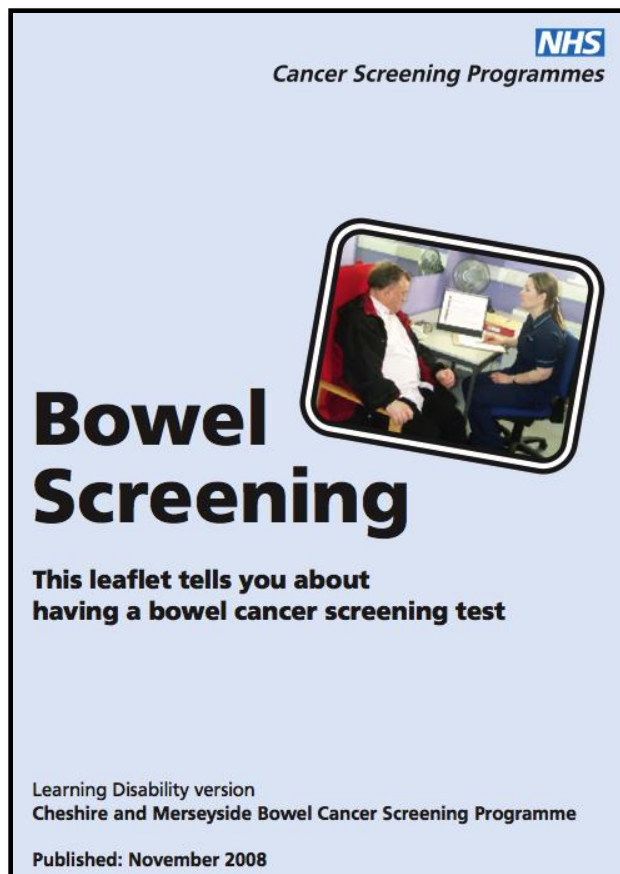
Health checks



We are working with NHS England to get more and better health checks



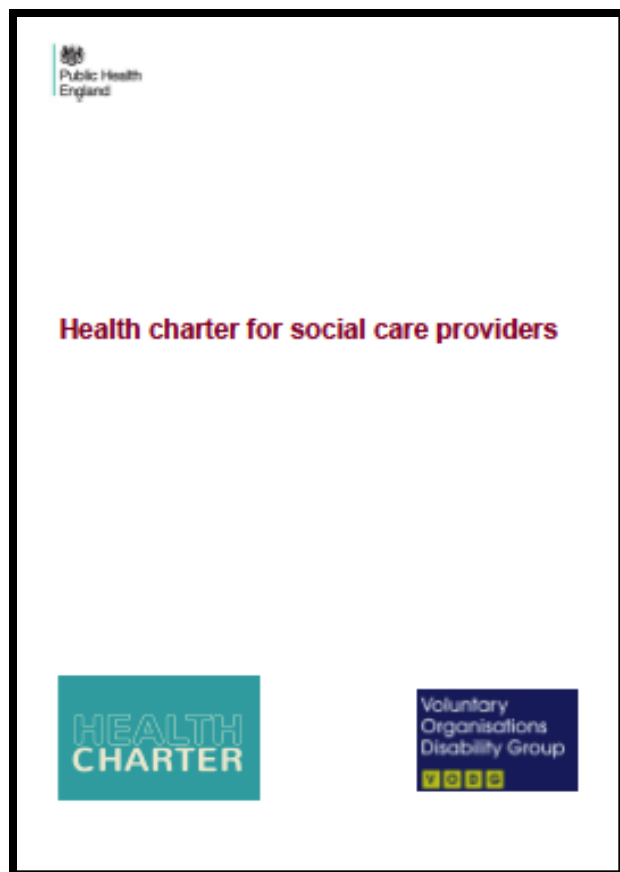
Screening



We are working with the bowel screening hubs so that bowel screening is more accessible for people with learning disabilities.



Working with social care



We worked with the Voluntary Organisations Disability Group to write a health charter for social care providers:

www.vodg.org.uk/health-charter/health-charter-home.html

Please sign up!



🌟 Any questions?



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