



Vision 2010

The Newsletter of Disability North Events

Disability North aims to promote inclusion, independence and choice for disabled people.

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2010

When visiting, you will find everything you need to have an independent lifestyle. DNX is packed with exhibitors, products, seminars and fun activities, so make sure you are at the Metro Radio Arena, Newcastle upon Tyne on the 20th and 21st October 2010 .

DNX 2010 brings together manufacturers and suppliers of equipment, service providers and voluntary organisations in one setting. The exhibition provides information, equipment and advice for disabled people, older adults, carers and health / social care professionals. Reasons to visit DNX 2010 include:



- New for 2010: Just for Kids! a section dedicated to children and the new DNX **'Smart Home'**, see page 2.
- An interesting and diverse range of free seminars, where appropriate certificates of attendance will be awarded to healthcare professionals for their CPD Portfolio, see page 4.
- An exciting range of entertainment over the two days including a fashion show by Percy Hedley Foundation's Adult Services and a Guide Dog demonstration, see page 8.
- Free admission to the event, free car parking and a free shuttle bus from the car park to the main entrance of the Arena.

DNX 2010 is an informative and rewarding experience in an accessible city centre location designed to assist you, or those close to you, in achieving greater independence and a better quality of life. For more details see inside.

*New DNX Seminar
Announced:
National Standards -
Presented by Brian
Donnelly, 2:30pm 20
October 2010.
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Disability North Smart Home at DNEX 2010

This year there are several new initiatives for DNEX 2010, but perhaps the most significant is the new Disability North Smart Home (artists impression opposite).

The Smart Home showcases some of the most recent innovations in independent living and places them into a home environment. The Smart Home has been developed in association with our partners SHAPE, Your Homes Newcastle, Liveasy Ltd and the R&B Group.



The DNX 2010 Smart Home

The Smart Home will feature some of the most recent innovations in independent living including Telecare equipment. For those of you unfamiliar with Telecare it is a way of discreetly monitoring the home environment.

As an alternative to calling for help, the environment and activity within the home is monitored sensitively so that the altering call centre staff requires no active input. The Smart Home will show how some of this equipment works and can be used to help people remain in their own homes.

As well as assisting the individual Telecare benefits family, friends, carers or health professionals who may have to check on the safety of an individual.

The Smart Home will consist of a wet room, kitchen and living room showcasing some of the recent innovations in independent living including a rise and fall bath, a tilting kitchen unit, environmental heat sensors, electric rise and recline chairs and much more. Why not come and see for yourself?

Visitors to the exhibition will be free to walk through the attraction. There will be help and advice on hand if you wish to try any of the equipment.

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For more information and links to Exhibitor websites click on the following: [DNEX Exhibitor](#)

DNEX 2010 Seminars



Once again DNEX 2010 will boast a range of free seminars, which reflect the latest issues and developments impacting independent living. Where appropriate, certificates of attendance will be awarded to healthcare professionals for their CPD portfolio.

Wednesday 20th October

Seminar Room One

- 10:00 What is Occupational Therapy? – College of Occupational Therapists
- 11:00 Solutions Tailored Around You (S.T.A.Y) - AKW MediCare Limited
- 12:00 Introduction to Disability Legislation Within the New Equality Act - Disability North
- 13:00 Direct Payments in Newcastle – Disability North
- 14:00 Direct Payments Insurance (An Essential Guide for Employers)– Premier Care
- 15:00 Military Injuries, Back from the Battlefield – Irwin Mitchell Solicitors

Seminar Room Two

- 10:00 Client / Patient Risk Assessments – Well Handled
- 11:00 An Introduction to Telecare and Independent Living– Your Homes Newcastle
- 12:00 5 Steps to Avoiding Sling Risk – North Eastern Care
- 13:00 Seating Needs of the Severely Disabled People – Seating Matters
- 14:00 Safe Bed Mobility and Sit to Stand Procedure – Nordic Care
- 15:00 Paediatric Manual Handling Workshop – Nordic Care

Seminar Room Three

- 14:30 National Standards - Brian Donnelly

Thursday 21st October

Seminar Room One

- 10:30 Introduction to Disability Legislation Within the New Equality Act - Disability North
- 12:30 Direct Payments in Newcastle – Disability North
- 13:30 Limbs Alive, Video Games for Rehabilitation - Newcastle RVI
- 14:30 Health and Wellbeing - North Tyneside PCT

Seminar Room Two

- 10:00 Paediatric Manual Handling Workshop – Nordic Care
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In Arena Foyer

- 11:00 Guide Dog Display – Guide Dogs
- 11:30 Fashion Show – Percy Hedley Foundation

More information on these Seminars and how to book your place on them can be found on the following pages.

DNEX 2010 Seminar Details

Please find below details on some of the Seminars we have arranged for DNEX 2010. We will add to the list as we receive details from all confirmed speakers.

If you wish to book a place at one of these free seminars simply click on the "Book Me In" option at the bottom of the page and send us an e-mail with your details and the seminar you wish to book. Alternatively contact the Events Team at Disability North on 0191 284 0480.

Client / Patient Risk Assessment And Equipment Decisions – Well Handled 10:00 Wed. 20 Oct. / 15:00 Thurs 21 Oct.

Managing risk is a major component of client risk assessment. Over recent years, developments in assistive moving and handling equipment and practise have promoted solutions to community based scenarios with a risk management centred approach, through the provision of equipment.

The aim of this session is to investigate further the process of client risk assessment and the role of the therapist to identify and prescribe equipment through understanding the neurological, physiological and behavioural needs of clients.

We will explore and evaluate normal human movement, physical tone and the effectiveness of and potential contraindications of equipment choice as part of overall mobility and moving and handling risk assessment.

Direct Payments Insurance (An Essential Guide for Employers) – Premier Care 14:00 Wed. 20 Oct.

The seminar examines the legal requirement for insurance to cover direct

payment service users who are also employers, highlighting the benefits of such insurance and explaining the sorts of incidents that can be claimed for.

Direct Payments in Newcastle – Disability North 13:00 Wed. 20 Oct. / 12:30 Thurs. 21 Oct

Direct Payments are cash payments made to you, to buy the services or help you need instead of social services arranging them for you. This could include care in the home, short breaks, support to go out in your community, or equipment and services for your disabled child.

You can choose to get Direct Payments if you have a community care assessment to see what help or support you need and if you are eligible for services. Newcastle Direct Payments Support Service at Disability North offers free information and advice to help you manage your Direct Payments.

Five Steps to Avoiding Sling Risk – North Eastern Care 12:00 Wed. 20 Oct. / 13:00 Thurs. 21 Oct.

This seminar will look at the risks presented by slings based on recorded HSE and MHRA adverse incidents and breaking them down into 5 areas. It will also give assessment advice that will help prescribers to avoid the risks.

Health and Wellbeing - North Tyneside PCT 14:30 Thurs. 21 Oct. 2010

This seminar will be focussed on providing a brief overview of the role of an occupational therapist in two new extra care schemes for older people in North Tyneside. There will be the opportunity to find out about the key areas of concern for the elderly population with regard to their health and well being. Also, some basic

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ideas to use in everyday life to enjoy a healthier lifestyle.

Due to the breadth of this subject, this seminar will be supported by a hand-out on the day. Come along to enter the quiz and sample some healthy food options.

Limbs Alive: Video Games for Rehabilitation
–Newcastle RVI
13:30 Thurs 21 Oct.

Both children and adults can suffer stroke affecting the use of one side of their body (hemiplegia). They have difficulty using their weak hand and the brain has difficulty controlling two-handed tasks which most everyday activities require.

Regular therapy can allow them to learn to perform two-handed tasks, increasing independence and improving quality of life. However, traditional therapy approaches may not be sufficiently motivating and may require regular clinic attendance. We have designed computer games requiring two-handed control, providing frequent, fun and motivating therapy which can be played alone or with friends and family, at a time which suits them.

Paediatric Manual Handling Workshop
– Nordic Care Services Ltd
15:00 Wed. 20 Oct / 10:00 Thurs 21 Oct.

Based on the natural and compensatory patterns of movement along with neurological and biomechanical considerations, this workshop/demonstration will show how a series of specially designed paediatric slings can be used to encourage natural gait. The importance of walking/gait/handling belts for stimulating natural movement, the vital role that assistive devices play in the maintenance of correct posture for health care professionals and solutions for various transfer scenarios, ranging from simple to the complex level, will also be demonstrated.

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This demonstration is suitable for multi-disciplinary care staff and for parents caring for their own children.

Safe Bed Mobility and Sit to Stand Procedure
– Nordic Care Services Ltd
14:00 Wed 20 Oct. / 11:00 Thursday 21 Oct.

This workshop will demonstrate how applying principles of natural patterns of movement, and using improved equipment technology can significantly reduce costs for care providers and risks to care staff in various transfer scenarios, whilst simultaneously improving comfort and care for the service user.

This demonstration is suitable for multi-disciplinary care staff working in both the community and the acute sectors.

Solutions Tailored Around You (S.T.A.Y)
– AKW MediCare Limited
11:00 Wed. 20 Oct.

A seminar to promote solutions in Homes for the Future, targeting new product enhancements and adaptability.

Supporting Independent Living With Assistive Technology: An Introduction To Telecare And What It Could Mean For You
– Your Homes Newcastle
11:00 Wed. 20 Oct., 14:00 Thurs. 21 Oct.

Whether you're looking for ways to increase your own independence, support a loved one, do more with your clients or make your care and support services more efficient, telecare is a flexible and powerful tool which puts you in control and could save you money. Join us for an engaging and topical discussion using real-life examples to find out how telecare can often be the final piece of the care and support puzzle, and ask us questions about how we can tailor a telecare package to you.

What is Occupational Therapy? – College of Occupational Therapists

10:00 Wed 20 Oct.

Occupational Therapy is an unclear title and people are often confused about what Occupational Therapists do. The seminar aims to give people a whistle stop tour of what Occupational Therapists do and how an Occupational Therapist can help you in your everyday life.

Introduction to Disability Legislation within the New Equality Act by Disability North

12 noon Wed 20 Oct. / 10:30 Thursday 21 Oct.

An overview of the Equality Act 2010 and how the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 & 2005 has been enshrined within it with added protection against:

- Direct disability discrimination in relation to goods, services and facilities
- Discrimination arising from disability
- Indirect disability discrimination

DNEX 2010: National Standards for Community Equipment



Disability North are delighted to announce that Brian Donnelly will be conducting a seminar on National Minimum Standards for Community Equipment Services (CES) at DNEX 2010. The seminar will take place at 2:30pm on Wednesday 20 October in Seminar Room 3. To book your place click on the following link:

[Book Me In!](#)

Brian has worked in the community equipment field for the past 10 years, mainly in development and consultancy roles. His most recent appointment was National Development Officer for CES, within the Welsh Assembly Government.

Brian is perhaps best known in the industry for his independent review paper, which called for National Minimum Standards to be introduced to CES in England and Wales. As a result of this paper Brian was asked to develop Standards for the Welsh Assembly Government, and these have now been completed and are currently out for consultation.

The Minimum Standards in Wales have been supported by many of the key organisations involved in the community equipment industry, including, for example: Assist UK; British Health Trade Association; College of Occupational Therapists; Health & Safety Executive; Medicines and Healthcare Regulatory Agency; National Association of Equipment Providers, to name but a few.

Brian is also leading a campaign for Standards to be introduced in England, and has set up a UK wide group to promote this. He informs us that progress is positive and he will tell us more on the day about what is going on!!

Brian currently provides a consultancy and training service for all aspects of community equipment provision – Community Equipment Solutions Ltd - at local and national level.

Speaking about National Standards Jean B Hutfield, Chair, National Association of Equipment Providers (NAEP) commented: "As Chair of NAEP it is my privilege to commit my organisation to supporting the launch of the National Minimum Standards for Wales. The Standards are an essential tool in the development of the Integrated Service for users of Assistive Technology.

NAEP would be pleased to assist in the development and implementation of similar National Minimum Standards for the rest of the UK."

Click on the following link for more details: [National Standards.](#)

Percy Hedley Fashion Show 2010

The Employability Project and Able2 Adult Services (part of the Percy Hedley Foundation) bring you this event in partnership with ASDA (Benton). Twenty disabled models will showcase the Autumn Collection from ASDA, focusing on clothes for work and clothes for leisure.

The models have been involved in the whole process and have worked with staff at ASDA to ensure the cost of their outfits remain within a budget of £50.00. Come along to the Arena foyer on Thursday 21 October 2010, 11.30am, to see how good you can look this season without breaking the bank....

Guide Dog Display

We are thrilled to announce that this year DNEX will feature a Guide Dog display. A demonstration to show how the dogs are trained to negotiate obstacles and solve problems whilst guiding their blind or partially sighted owner. To see what is sure to be a fantastic demonstration come to the foyer of the Arena at 11.00am on Thursday 21 October

Innovative Design & Services Award

Visitors to the exhibition are being asked to judge the equipment/services on show in the Innovative Design Award. When you visit DNEX 2010 go to the Innovative Design & Services Award stand to view the entries. Hand your completed form in at the Disability North Information Stand F2 in the Foyer. A presentation will be made to the winning company approximately 2.00pm on Thursday 21 October.



The Disability North
Gala Dinner
Wednesday 20th October 2010
Hilton Newcastle Gateshead

Enjoy a fabulous evening with a champagne reception, three course meal, raffle and disco.

To book a table, contact Clare Savory on
0191 284 0480 or email: events@disabilitynorth.org.uk

£35 per ticket or £350 per table of 10

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Champagne Reception: 7.30pm
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