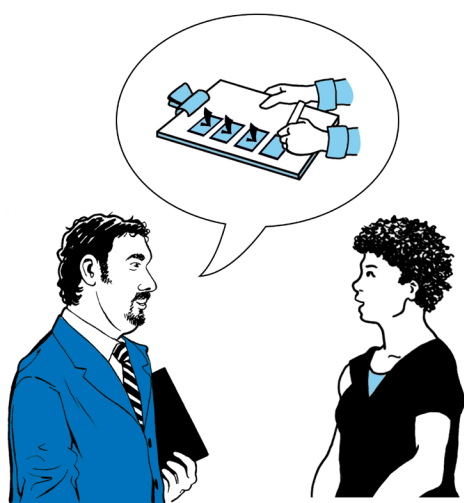


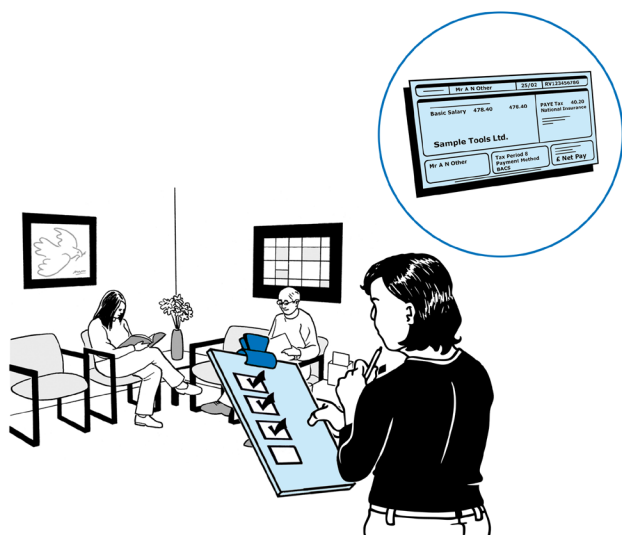
People with a learning disability to design 'Quality Checks' for NHS services



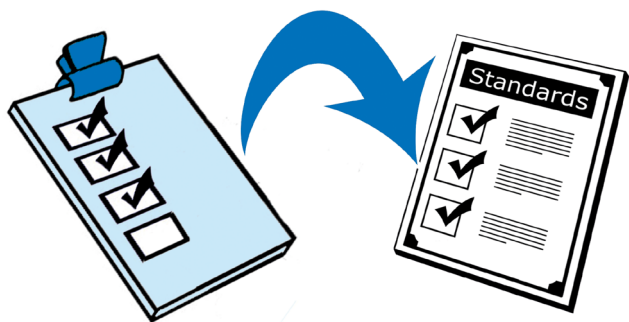
NHS England are asking people with a learning disability to take part in their Quality Checkers programme.



Quality checks are tests which will be used to help the NHS improve their services.



The Quality Checkers programme gets people with a learning disability employed and paid to check the NHS services in the area that they live.



They will judge the quality of the services they check against a set of standards.



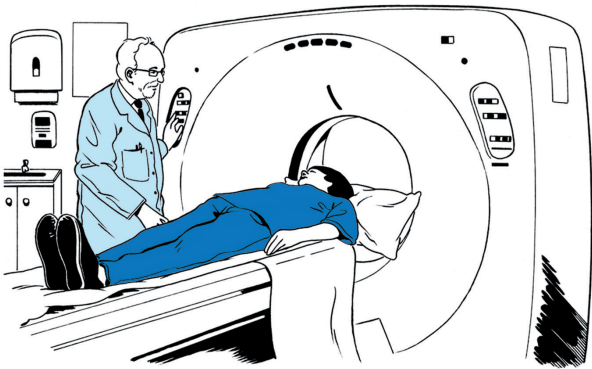
After doing this they will say how the services can be made better for them and other patients.



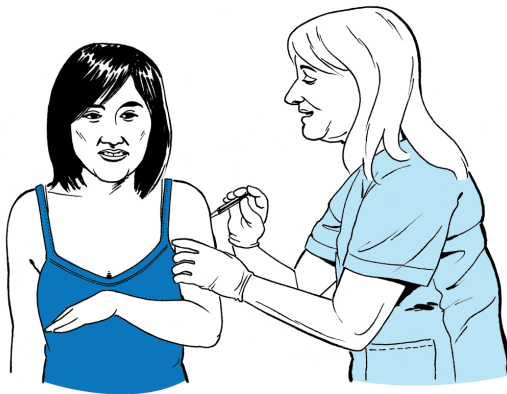
People with a learning disability can find it hard to access important NHS services like:

- Annual health checks





- Cancer screenings



- Flu jab



This means people with a learning disability are more likely to have poor health.



Quality checkers use their own experiences to check the quality of care. This means they can spot things that other checks and inspections may not.

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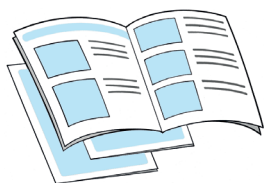


NHS England want to make it easier for quality checker groups to be set up, and they want to support quality checkers.

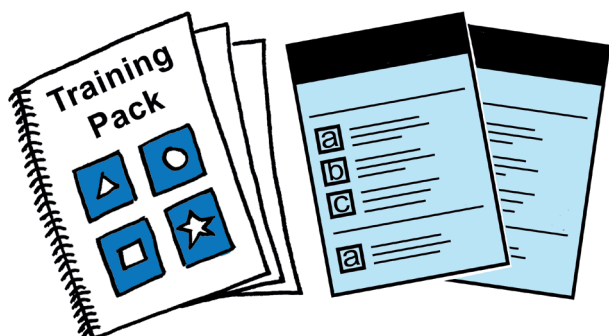

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They have asked the University of Leeds and CHANGE to research and develop resources for the NHS Learning Disability Quality Checkers programme.



NHS England are also asking people with a learning disability and the people who support them to help develop resources for the programme.



The resources will include training packs for new Quality Checkers and templates for Quality Checks.



The quality checks will use a set of national standards to check NHS services in 7 areas:



- Accident and Emergency Departments



- Community Services



- Acute Hospitals

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- Primary Care (GPs)

- Dentistry

- Mental Health Services

- Learning Disability Services

NHS England will work with Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and NHS providers like hospitals and GPs to get people using NHS Quality Checker services.



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