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What is Co-production – and is it important?

Co-production means having an **equal say** in the **services** you **use**.

Co-production includes **people** who **use services** to **make** them **better.**

Co-production involves **people** on everything. From **planning** to **making it happen.**

Co-production happens when services believe **everyone** has **something valuable** to **contribute**.

What is <u>not</u> Co-production?

Co-production is **not** just **choosing**.

It is **nice** to **choose** but it is even **better** to **collaborate** with services to **make** them really **accessible**!

What is Co-production at include.org?

Co-production is people with **communication difficulties** working **together** with services to make their **communication inclusive**.

Decision

Co-production is people **collaborating** to **make important decisions** about what they want to do **at Include.org**

Is Co-production important?

Our **Champions** think so - this is why!

Co-production gives **people** the **chance** to have their say and **solve problems together**.

Co-production helps **services become better** and **more effective**.

Co-production helps **services** to **communicate better** with **people with communication difficulties**, **learning disabilities** or **autism**.

Co-production enhances the **wellbeing** of services users and makes **services** more **efficient**.

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How can the **Champions help** other **organisations** to **Co-produce**?

The **Champions Group** includes **people** with **communication difficulties** that **work together** as a **team.**

The **Champions** really understand the **difficulties** they **experience** in **different services.** This means they **know** the **best solutions!**

The **Champions** can **teach** services **about** their **experiences** and **what helps** them to **communicate well.**

For example, the **Champions Group** help **design training** for **health professionals**, to help them **understand how** to support **people** with **communication needs** in **hospital.**

The **Champions** can **help** services **create Easy Read documents** so that people with communication difficulties understand the message.

The **Champions can** also help to **check documents** to make sure they are **accessible.**

For example, the **Champions** worked with **The Samaritans** to make sure their **flyer** was **easy to understand.**

The Champions can help your organisation

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