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Thank you to the network members who attended the sixth network meeting on Wednesday 29th June.

The theme of the meeting focused on youth voice.



Session six newsletter – "My Autistic Experience"

We were excited to be joined by Lily Clark, an Autistic young advocate who spoke about her experiences and vision for the future.

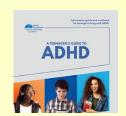
Lily spoke about her Autism diagnosis and how the characteristics of her condition have influenced her life and experiences with education, socialising and job opportunities. Lily gave members of the meeting, great insight into the everyday experiences that an Autistic young person has in navigating the world around them.

Lily spoke with passion about the importance of support for young people and her drive to advocate for others to support them to achieve their full potential. Thank you, Lily. Such a wonderful role model!

Resources for Children and Young People

Emma Weaver from the ADHD Foundation Neurodiversity Charity, shared some resources for children and young people.







All the resources can be found in the resource hub on the ADHD Foundation website:

https://www.adhdfoundation.org.uk/resources/

Following Lily's presentation, we were joined by Simon Chanase, Interim Project Manager, Learning Disability & Autism NHS Frimley CCG who spoke about the Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) Training available across Berkshire. This is what Simon had to tell us about the training programme:

This is an all-age training programme which covers the six local authorities: Slough Borough Council, Bracknell Forest Council, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Wokingham Council, Reading Council and West Berkshire Council, NHS Frimley ICB (East Berkshire part only) and Berkshire West ICB, and Berkshire Healthcare Foundation Trust.

Purpose: is to improve outcomes for individuals with a learning disability or autistic people who exhibit behaviours of concern.

Who is it for: Key staff supporting people with a learning disability and/or autistic people, in health, social care, education, voluntary sector and family/carers.

The training programme consists of two parts:

Part 1: PBS Training at various levels based on the PBS Coalition Competency Framework and the development of a PBS Network Forum in Berkshire. The training element is now completed.

Part 2: Scoping on PBS Training across the South East Region. This is still in progress. A survey to gather information from individuals who receive PBS Training and individuals who purchase/arrange PBS Training is in circulation until the 8th July 2022.

A report of how the training has gone will be shared after the programme is closed mid September 2022.











