

The Big Connect Programme for Providers 2025 - 26

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The Big Connect programme for provider organisations is starting its third year!

- New and existing members welcome!
- A new programme of support for 25/6
- 24 optional on-line sessions a year plus bonus sessions

If you are working as part of a provider organisation and want to connect with others with progressive councils, all trying your best to help build a brighter Social Care Future are really tough, then The Big community of support is for you!



What is it?

- The Big Connect is set up for provider organisations and local people to facilitate peer support and practical, themed assistance to help close the gap between where we are now and the social care future we want
- Regular, on-line, opt-in sessions open to members from provider organisations, councils and local people
- Opportunities for peer support – where people can come to problem solve and explore practical solutions to common issues – without judgment but with support to focus
- Sharing ‘glimpses of the future’ and practical resources and things people have tried from around the country.
- Opportunities to link to and influence the external forces shaping what we do – for example debating assurance issues with the Care Quality Commission Chief Inspector, helping shape national commissioner training, identifying the ‘Plumbing and Wiring’ issues inhibiting change to be negotiated with those responsible for them.

The programme

There are a range of sessions that member organisations can join, and we always add extra one-off sessions

- **Peer support sessions** for provider organisations to come together and share and learn
- **Sharing power through Co-production:** how we can make sure we work in partnership with people and families in everything we do
- **Early action and asset-based commissioning:** making sure people get the support they need when they need it and that we make use of all local resources
- **Glimpses of the Future:** sharing where great stuff is happening towards the Social Care Future vision
- **People power:** focussed sessions for people who draw on social care to help them coproduce local change
- **Policy updates and check in:** sessions specifically for Chief Executives and senior leaders to help make sure you are well connected to Social Care Future's work to influence national change
- A web-based resource of materials relevant to community activity and themes and discussion forums

Sessions will include input from people able to share great approaches and examples. Community member can opt in to as many theme areas as they wish and spread attendance across a range of people – paid workers and people and families.

Cost and sign up £1,500 plus VAT per year.

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