

User Forum Engaging and Championing the Public

Vision An inclusive society for all

Values

Collaboration
Equality
Dignity
Achievement
Resilience







Impact 2024/25

2,770

People with disability supported to participate in their community (Target 2,621)

492 Employees and 131 Bank Staff

24/25
Expenditure:
£22 million



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Impact and Influence



- Beyond engagement as consultation but as co-leadership
- Lived system of participation
- True co-production based on service user experience
- Organisational integration not an add on
- Diversity and proportionate representation
- Influence within Cedar and public and policy discourse











Involvement and Inclusion



- New thinking; its a strategic, co-producing body not just advisory, placing disabled people at the centre
- Strong leadership and clear objectives
- Sustainability and underpins our Co-production Strategy
- Involvement and Inclusion at every stage
- Transferability and best practice within HSC











User Engagement and Co-production

Voice of Disabled People

- 51 User Forum Members across NI
- 24 User Champions
- 12 User Engagement Groups
- User Engagement and Co-production



Consultation and Advocacy

- Responded to 47 external consultations
- Responded to 15 internal consultations
- Advocated in 5 activities
- Delivered Disability Awareness Training









Co-production Highlights







Co-production Conference





There is no single formula for co-production but there are some key features that are present in co-production initiatives...

"Co-production is so important to the work we do, because it allows us to listen to the people who access services, so that we can incorporate their lived experience to improve the way we do things"

"In my experience, co-production is important because it actively involves people with diverse perspectives, experiences, and knowledge. This ensures that outcomes are relevant and effective"





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Would you like to have your voice heard and share your experiences of living with disability?









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User Forum Members can:





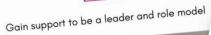


Learn new skills

Contribute to consultations



Attend relevant training





- Regional Forums • Ballymena
- Belfast
- Downpatrick
- North Down & Ards • Enniskillen
- Foyle
- · Newry



Monthly Local Meetings [Option to attend in person or online]



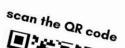


How to get involved

Have a chat with Cedar Staff Or email:

userforum@cedar-foundation.org www.cedar-foundation.org

Given the right support everyone can make a positive difference Cedar











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