



# Named Social Worker Project



## PETER

Prevention of hospital admission  
Need for holistic view of problem solving  
Need for consistent person centred support  
Working with Peter, his family, and the MDT  
Finding and supporting a new care provider  
Finding a suitable home and resolving housing issues

# What is important?



- Peter left the family home to live in short term accommodation due to concerns about his behaviour at home
- Concerns escalated as behaviour's increased in severity and frequency
- Care provider withdrew giving no notice following incidents where staff sustained injuries
- High risk of hospital admission due to risk to self and others
- MDT requested SW intervention...

# What is important?



- Consistent positive support to enable Peter to feel secure
- For Peter's wellbeing to be central to plans
- To have his own home, his own space
- To be supported appropriately when out in the community
- To be given information about what is happening in a format he can understand

## How did having a Named social worker help?



- Lead professional with a holistic overview
- Building a relationship with LF but also with the MDT
- Family and professionals know who to contact
- Dedicated time
- Resolving the little things as well as the big things
- Getting the right support for Peter and supporting the agency to get it right for Peter
- Finding LF's house and getting that right for Peter

# How did having a Named social worker help?



- Having time to have conversations with Peter and his support staff and his family
- Unpicking the detail when things go right and when they don't
- Supporting Peter to make his own decisions
- Protecting Peter rights while also keeping him and other people safe from harm



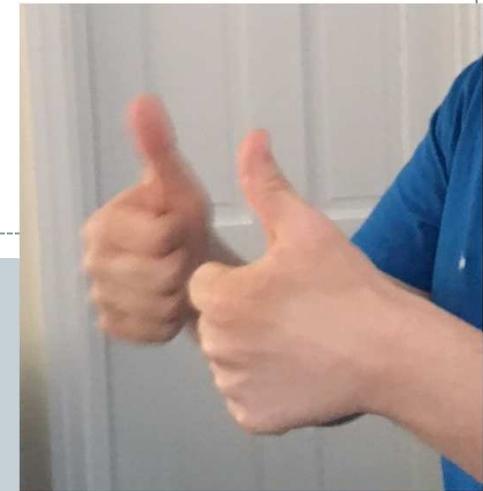
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- Peter was at risk of hospital admission, instead he has been supported to live in his own home in his home town near to family and familiar places, close to the railway station which he loves and close to open spaces where he can go for walks. He has a trained and dedicated support staff team who are getting to know him really well.



# Update March 2018



- Things are going really well for Peter, as NSW I have reduced his support from 2:1 at home with both waking and sleeping night support to 1:1 with just one sleeping support staff at night.
- As NSW I have kept good contact with him, his family, his support staff and the wider MDT, as things have settled I have gradually reduced his support.
- Peter was needing 3:1 support to access the community in order to keep himself and others safe. He can now happily go to quieter local places that he knows with just one support staff, he still has an extra member of staff to go to more stimulating activities such as a local disco – Peter loves to dance!
- Peter has a girlfriend that he meets at the disco, he has told his mum he loves her!
- Peter is still very close to his mum and as NSW I have supported her and the agency to develop a good working relationship. Mum knows that she has someone to speak to if she is worried about anything.
- I am continuing to work with Peter and his now much smaller MDT to keep an eye on the details and keep his support focussed on his growing independence.