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Association for Real Change
www.arcuk.org.uk

**National Forum for People
with Learning Difficulties**
www.nationalforum.co.uk

**British Institute of Learning
Disabilities**
www.bild.org.uk

People First (self-advocacy)
www.peoplefirstltd.com

Down's Syndrome Association
www.downs-syndrome.org.uk

SENSE
www.sense.org.uk

**Foundation for People with
Learning Disabilities**
www.learningdisabilities.org.uk

Turning Point
www.turning-point.co.uk

Mencap
www.mencap.org.uk

United Response
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What is the Learning Disability Coalition?



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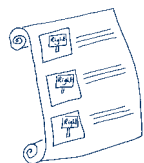


**Learning
Disability Coalition**



1.5 million people in the UK have a learning disability.

Just like all of us, they want to make their own choices in life.



They want to have:

- the chance to be really involved in their community
- respect for the things they can achieve
- support and care that suits them, so they can live independently
- real choice about where they live, and who with
- the chance to spend their spare time doing what they want to do
- training and education that meets their needs
- good advice about how to get a job – if they can
- good healthcare from staff who have the information and skills to treat people with a learning disability
- skilled support to help them with the changes that happen when they move from being a young person into being an adult.



The Learning Disability Coalition is a group of ten charities. All of them want to make sure that people with a learning disability have the same chances and choices as everyone else.



The Government says that it wants to change things for people with learning disabilities so that they have the same chances and choices as other people.



This means having rights as citizens, choice in daily life, real chances to be independent and to be included in local communities.

But at the moment a lot of people are saying that this is not happening. They say that their services are being cut.



The coalition wants to make sure that there is enough money for the changes that the Government has promised.



- It is finding out how bad the service cuts are.
- It will talk to the Government about how to make things better.
- It will find out what changes are happening in this country and how they will affect people with a learning disability.
- It will try to find out the costs involved in giving people with a learning disability services that truly meet their needs.



We need *your* help to make sure that there is enough money for people with a learning disability to have the same chances and choices as everyone else.



To support the Coalition, please sign up online at our website: www.learningdisabilitycoalition.org.uk Or you can fill in your details below and return this form to:



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