

Lincolnshire Community Reporting Applied Learning Project

Summary

People's Voice Media have partnered with Lincolnshire's 'Its All About People' personalisation team to deliver a 12 month capacity building programme for the health, care and wellbeing workforce across the region.

Over the course of the project participants will learn how to use Community Reporting as a tool for insight gathering and co-production, and how to train other Community Reporters to support ongoing improvement of services and relationships within the sector. Through a series of workshops you will be supported to develop:

- Skills and knowledge of working with lived experience storytelling within health, care and wellbeing settings, and skills/tools to train others.
- Content to power an 'insight engine' that captures the lived experiences of residents on topics pertinent to health, care and wellbeing in Lincolnshire that is used by organisations, communities and ICB to enhance service provision.
- Capacity to ensure people's voices on topics pertinent to health, care and wellbeing are heard and influence real-world change in Lincolnshire as part of an ongoing co-production conversation connected to Our Shared Agreement.

Session Dates & Times

The project will be delivered through a series of workshops equipping you with the skills to use Community Reporting and train others to use it as a tool for insight gathering, co-production and to support the ongoing improvement of services and relationships within the Lincolnshire health, care and wellbeing sector.

Tue 25th Feb	10:30 - 4:00	Introduction to Community Reporting (CR) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CR method & value of lived experience stories• Responsible storytelling• Snapshot stories• Basic digital media skills (photography, audio recording techniques)
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Wed 26th Feb	10:30 - 4:00	Advanced Community Reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dialogue interviews & personal monologues / journey stories • Basic digital media skills (video recording techniques) • Community Reporter Website
Thurs 13th Mar	10:00 - 12:00	Online Support Session
Weds 2nd Apr	10:30 - 4:00	Introduction to Story Curation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Story review techniques • Analysis & thematic grouping of insights
Thurs 3rd Apr	10:30 - 4:00	Advanced Story Curation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose & audience of packaged output • Plan for output (e.g. film, insight report, slide deck etc)
Weds 23rd Apr	10:00 - 12:00	Online Support Session
June 2025	TBC	Conversation of Change Event
Weds 24th Sep	10:30 - 4:00	Train the Trainer Day 2 Day Programme You will learn how to facilitate & deliver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Reporter training • Storytelling workshop • Sense making workshop • Conversation of Change event • Action planning for the future
Thurs 25th Sep	10:30 - 4:00	

If you would be interested in taking part in this programme and are available on the dates above, please get in touch with [Caty Collier \(caty.collier@lvet.org\)](mailto:caty.collier@lvet.org) to find out more and register for a place.

Please note places on the programme are limited and may need to be allocated to ensure an even spread of reporters on a geographical and cross-organisational level.



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Our Shared Agreement

About People's Voice Media

We use storytelling as a tool for social change. Our work supports people to improve their own world and the world around them by using lived experience to address inequalities and achieve social justice. We use lived experience stories to inform services, research and policy in a bid to change institutions, systems and society for the better.

Our core objectives are to:

- enable people's whose voice has been marginalised to be heard
- challenge and rethink existing perceptions, behaviours and power structures
- catalyse new ideas and ways of working that puts lived experience at their core

Our Community Reporting methodology provides us with a framework through which people's stories can be transformed into real-world change. This approach brings people's lived experience into spaces that it would otherwise be excluded from. Via our Community Reporter network of people, groups and organisations, we share learning across sectors and geographies, promote joined-up thinking, connect people, impact and influence across different arenas and push for systemic change.

We work across the UK and Europe with people whose voices are often overlooked or ignored, with communities who have the least resource and power in society and with services and organisations that work with these groups. <https://peoplesvoicemedia.co.uk>

About Community Reporting

Originating in 2007, Community Reporting has been developed across Europe as a mixed methodological approach for enhancing citizen participation in research, policy-making, service development, and decision-making processes. In-line with work such as Glasby (2011) and Durose et al (2013), Community Reporting purports the validity of lived experience and knowledge-based practice in these fields. It uses digital, portable technologies to support people to tell their own stories, in their own ways via peer-to-peer approaches. It then connects these stories with the people, groups and organisations who are in a position to use the insights within them to make positive social change. When used like this, storytelling, as Durose et al (2013) argues, allows for the representation of "different voices and experiences in an accessible way". Central to Community Reporting is the belief that people telling authentic stories about their own lived experience offers a valuable understanding of their lives.

<https://communityreporter.net>



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