

Agenda

Meeting: Lived Experience Network, Southampton Showcase 2
Date: 7th May 2013
Time: 10.30 – 15:00
Venue: Room TBC, University of Southampton

10:00-10:30 Refreshments

10:30-10:40 Introduction – Jane Priestley HEA and Jools Symons LEN Lead

10:40-11:00 Research: Academic staff attitudes to involvement strategies – Trevor Kettle

11:00-12:30 Presentations from the Faculty of Health Sciences including the Human Library

12:30-13:15 Lunch

13:15-13:35

Feedback from the Action Working Group - meeting at UCLAN 25 March 2013:

1. A recruitment strategy to the network to ensure inclusivity. Include PPI leads from HEI's, ensure social care representation and student engagement.
2. A communication strategy
3. Explore potential resource repository

13:35-14:45 Group discussion TBC

14:45-15:00 Round up, next meeting and thank you

What is the Human Library?

The Human Library is an innovative method designed to promote dialogue, reduce prejudices and encourage understanding. The main characteristics of the project are to be found in its simplicity and positive approach.

In its initial form the Human Library is a mobile library set up as a space for dialogue and interaction. Visitors to a Human Library are given the opportunity to speak informally with “people on loan”; this latter group being extremely varied in age, sex and cultural background.

The Human Library enables groups to break stereotypes by challenging the most common prejudices in a positive and humorous manner. It is a concrete, easily transferable and affordable way of promoting tolerance and understanding.

It is a “keep it simple”, “no-nonsense” contribution to social cohesion in multicultural societies.