



Partnerships for Success Delivering Race Equality in Mental Health

4th Annual DRE Conference – Thursday 12 March 2009

**Churchill Auditorium, QEII Conference Centre
Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3EE**

The 4th Annual DRE Conference is a real opportunity to herald the progress made over the past year in partnership working across mainstream social and health care services enabling us to generate real equality of access into service delivery for everyone.

Our theme is:

“To engage service users/carers and health and social care staff in addressing the challenges that will ensure equal access, experience and outcomes from mental health services for Black and Minority Ethnic Communities, as outlined under the Government’s Delivering Race Equality in Mental Healthcare Action Plan”.

Attendees will benefit from:

- Unparalleled opportunities for networking and learning
- Practical examples to embed and sustain race equality in mental health services
- Essential information to ensure your organisation meets their legal obligations under race and equalities legislation.
- Interactive workshops with real-life guidance to address your key DRE challenges
- Expertise on commissioning services to meet diverse needs of local communities
- Displays of innovative practice delivered within Focused Implementation Sites

Who should attend?

- Chairs and Chief Executives (or senior managers) of NHS Trusts including Primary Care Trusts
- Chief Executives of Strategic Health Authorities
- Social service managers and practitioners
- Front line clinicians
- Service users and carer representatives
- BME community organisations
- Chief Executives of private mental health providers

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Registration	09.00–09.30
Welcome/Chair	
Barnie Choudhury, BBC Journalist – “Success & Sustainability” – Film	09.30–09.50
Melba Wilson OBE, Equalities (DRE) Director, – “DRE 2009 and beyond”	09.50–10.20
Julie Jaye-Charles, CEO of National Equalities Council and DRE Ambassadors Panel explain “The importance of spreading the DRE word”	10.20–10.50
Kathryn Tyson, Director, Mental Health Division, Social Care, Local Government and Care Partnerships “Embracing DRE into mainstream services”	10.50–11.20
Tea/coffee – First floor	11.20–11.40
Workshops	11.40–13.15
Lunch & Exhibition (Ministerial tour of the DRE Exhibition)	13.15–14.15
Welcome back/Chair Barnie Choudhury	14.15–14.20
Minister of State at the Department of Health, Phil Hope MP “DRE is Government’s Business” + Q & A	14.20–15.05
Mike Cooke CEO NHS Nottinghamshire “The service user’s perspective”	15.05–15.30
Regional Community Development Workers Panel with Barnie Choudhury “Responding to what is happening on the ground...”	15.30–15.55
Sathnam Sanghera, Novelist and Journalist (The Times) “Different perspectives on experiencing Mental Health issues”	15.55 – 16.20
Melba Wilson OBE, DRE Director and Julie Jaye-Charles Closing Remarks	16.20 –16.30