



Race Equality in Mental Health



London

The London Community Development Workers' (CDW) Network is made up of 80+ CDWs across London. Each of the CDW teams works to support the development and sustainability of equitable mental health services for Black, Minority and Ethnic (BME) communities in their London Boroughs. With 250 languages spoken in London the challenges for CDWs are huge.

The Network's activities span across the voluntary, public and statutory sectors forging links with mental health service providers, users and carers to reduce inequalities of service delivery.

Good mental health practice is essential across service provision. Since 2005 the Network has shared good mental health practice in areas as wide ranging as the criminal justice system, substance misuse, multi-faith groups, arts and health projects, refugee support agencies, service user networks and more.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
LDC's Deputy Director **David Jobbins**,
National Equalities Director **Melba Wilson OBE** and
CDW **Wayne Amiel** talk through Network issues.

CDWs in London are the glue between the community and commissioners. We've made sure people's needs are communicated to the strategic decision making level.

Community Development Worker

