

Partnerships – Creating ones that suit you

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Why work in Partnership



- Similar values
- Expand depth and reach of impact by working collaboratively
- Strength in each others skills and knowledge when combined
- Share creativity, risk, responsibility and resources



Working in Partnership



- Do you already work in Partnership?
 - Who with & why?



- What challenges have you faced?
 - How have you overcome them?



- What have been your successes?
 - What made it a success?

Top Tips for Developing Relationships



1. Identify and connect with Local Contacts, Networks & Partnerships
 - ▶ Are there groups/organisations/individuals that work in the areas of sport, health, education and/or ID sector that have an interest or role to support PWID?
2. Share information and identify any shared aims/priorities ('The Win-Win')
 - ▶ Is there scope to match up resources to meet shared outcomes?
3. Establish clear purpose/outcome in the partnership work you are doing
 - ▶ For you, your programme and others involved
 - ▶ Should it be formal or informal
 - ▶ Is it outcome led?
 - ▶ Are there clear roles and responsibilities?

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4. Focus on action and be clear about what you are looking to achieve
 - ▶ This will support you to measure outcomes, check that the partnership is effective and meeting it's purpose
5. Communicate with the right people in the right way, at the right time
 - ▶ Given people differ personally and may have preferred methods of communicating, are you being mindful and/or flexible in your approach?
 - ▶ Partnerships are effective when the people involved are communicating effectively

Regularly review, adapt if needed and celebrate the successes!!



Questions?

Thank You!

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