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CHNI Training Programme (Belfast): April—May 2005

APRIL				14	15		
	18	19	20	21	22		
	25	26	27	28	29	26th	<i>Working with Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender Young People</i>
MAY	2	3	4	5	6	2nd	<i>May Day</i>
	9	10	11	12	13	10th	<i>Health & Safety</i>
	16	17	18	19	20	17th	<i>Business Planning</i>
	23	24	25	26	27	24th	<i>Young People, Sexual Abuse and Self Harm – The Links</i>
	30	31				30th	<i>Spring Bank Holiday</i>

CHNI Training Programme (NorthWest): April—May 2005

APRIL				14	15		
	18	19	20	21	22	26th	<i>Health and Safety Training</i>
	25	26	27	28	29	27th	<i>Recruitment and Selection</i>
MAY						2nd	<i>May Day Bank Holiday</i>
	2	3	4	5	6	4th	<i>Professional Boundaries Training</i>
	9	10	11	12	13	10th	<i>Young People - Working with gay, lesbian and Transsexuals</i>
	16	17	18	19	20	17th	<i>Developing and Implementing Support Plans</i>
	23	24	25	26	27	24th	<i>Managing Staff Performance</i>
	30	31				30th	<i>Spring Bank Holiday</i>
					31st	<i>Business Planning</i>	

Need more information?

Please contact Yvonne or Lesley if you want more information about a course, or

wish to discuss your organisation's training requirements. **Telephone:** 90246440, fax: 02890 241 266, or by email: training@chni.org.uk

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INFORMATION UPDATE FOR CHNI MEMBERS

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Signposting

We would like to introduce a new training section to CHINWAG, wherein we will **signpost** members to relevant training identified by CHNI training department.

The training department are, on occasion, approached by member organisations with a particular interest in a course, or a particular training need, but where no suitable training has been scheduled in the current programme. In those instances, CHNI training department will research and identify training programmes and providers, and use this section to share the details of such with members. This month the department have done just that. Given recent expressed interest in **training for management committees**, the ever diligent training department staff sourced the following training around these needs:

Training for Management Committees (MC)

The following training is being delivered by the **Volunteer Development Agency**. The VDA provides support, training and information on volunteering, child protection, and voluntary management committees.

The training brings together committee members & staff who work with committees together to gain skills, share experiences and ideas in participative sessions.

- **Creative Committee Recruitment:** Struggling to recruit the right people onto your management committee? **Newry, on 28 April 2005 (9.30am-1pm) £35*.**
- **Risk Management for (MC):** how the management committee can approach risk management in bite-size chunks. **Belfast on 16 June 2005 (10am-1.30pm) £35*.**
- **Improving (MC) Effectiveness:** Are only half your members actively involved? Struggle with difficult relationships? Practical ideas to improve how your committee works. **Belfast on 30 June 2005 (9.30am-4pm) £60*.**
- **Roles & Responsibilities of (MC):** - **can be provided at a venue and date that suites your group.** Key information such as role of the committee, legal responsibilities, role of office-bearers, etc.

Any of the courses listed above can be **provided at a date and time that suits your group.** *The above costs are based on membership with the Volunteer Development Agency. For further information on **costs & booking**, contact stephen@volunteering-ni.org, www.volunteering-ni.org. **Is the cost too much for you?** For information about **free places**, contact kelli@volunteering-ni.org. Tel: 02890 818 332 for further information.

If you have any further training needs and are having difficulty finding a provider, **please contact** Yvonne, Training Officer, CHNI at training@chni.org.uk; telephone: **90246 440**



Want to share your organisation's achievements with others? Want to get your profile out there to other CHNI members? CHNI are inviting members to write a few paragraphs about themselves, their history & activities to be included in each edition of CHINWAG to be shared with other members. Interested groups should email their "piece" to **George** info@chni.org.uk (or ring 90246440).

Supporting People News

Contracts: The SP Team have indicated that the new draft contract is almost finalised. It is being called a 'payment agreement', rather than 'contract'. This is important, because payments will be by way of a grant, and not contractual payments. CHNI will be meeting with the Team for clarification of the main changes and proposals to roll this out. **Commissioning Process:** The SP Team recently circulated a briefing paper on refinements to the commissioning process, which CHNI will circulate to members. In it they explain how SP revenue is married to the social housing development programme. However, they do not explain procedure, for example, in the context of scheme reviews, crisis or emergency situations, unforeseen circumstances, and the role of the SP Team in the process. CHNI have notified the SP team of these concerns, and hope they can provide further guidance. **Critical Incident Reporting:** The sector is being consulted at present. A sub-committee from the Providers Forum will be considering the key issues (such as pro forma documentation, definitions, record keeping, volume of reporting, confidentiality, validation / inspection procedures) and will report back to the next Providers Forum. Any queries or suggestions in respect of this or any SP issues **please notify Malcolm or Bernie at CHNI.**

Throughput / length of stay: The SP Team plans to ask for a breakdown of numbers of planned and unplanned moves per quarter. CHNI hopes to circulate further information on this as soon as it becomes available. **Staffing levels:** As reported in the last CHINWAG, the SP Team is developing a pro forma return for staffing levels. The type of information they will be looking for is outlined in the VFM paper which was produced in December namely staff to resident ratio, number of hours of support, cost per hour of support. Further information will be made available as it becomes known to CHNI.

Events / Training: Providers Forum, 10.30am, Fold HA, May 24th; Small Providers Forum, 10.30am, NICVA, June 2nd; Focus Group, 10.30am, NICVA, June 15th

REMINDER: Members' Forum (Belfast).
Next meeting: "Migrant Workers"

CHNI would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the details of the next meeting of the CHNI (Belfast) Members' forum will take place on Tuesday **3rd May 2005 at 10.15 am** (venue will be confirmed). (Members should have already received an email providing these details)

Tony Steed, NIHE's Equality Unit, has very kindly agreed to offer a presentation on **Migrant Workers** at this forum meeting.

Due to restrictions on space, we would be grateful if each organisation wishing to participate would send **one member** of staff / team to attend.