



Occupational Therapy Integration in East Ayrshire

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What have we done to date?

- Releasing Time to Care
- A joint vision for occupational therapy
- Specific work streams :
 - Engagement – Scottish Health Council
 - Learning and development
 - Access
- Cross agency secondments
- Integrated professional leadership and governance structure

What do we intend to do next?

- Implementing integrated professional leadership and governance structure
- locality based working – joint approach to meeting demand for occupational therapy and how this fits with wider multi disciplinary teams

Key learning/ benefits?

- Communication
- Relationships
- Time together
- Time to think, and reflect, and innovate
- Being brave to try something new
- The importance of vision
- Perseverance, and flexibility
- Being focussed on the person's perspective
- The need for high level strategic support

Challenges

- Competing agendas
- Spheres of influence
- Continued high demand for services
- Individual 'readiness for change'
- Time
- Different timescales for pace of change
- Information sharing and IT systems !