

# Improving hearing services for people with learning disabilities



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## Who are we?

- Hi, my name is Siobhan.
- I work with Shanice and Marianne.
- We work at the University of Manchester.



The University of Manchester



- We want to find out about the help children with learning disabilities get for hearing problems.
- We want to make hearing care better for children with learning disabilities.

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- Would you like to help us with our work?
- You do not have to if you do not want to.



- You can ask us questions about what we are doing.



### **What are we doing?**

- Every day we use our ears to hear sounds and noises.
- Sometimes people find it hard to hear.



- If you find it hard to hear, you can see an audiologist.

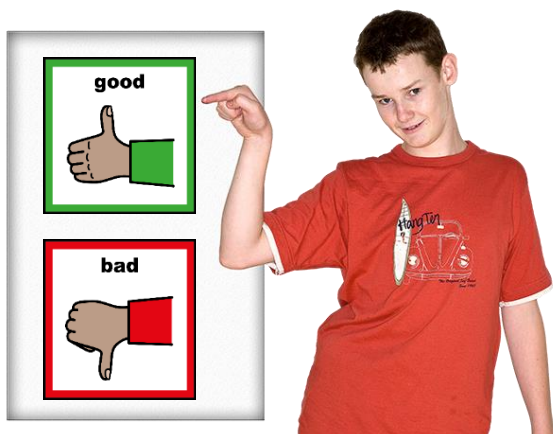
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- The audiologist can test your hearing and help you to hear better.
- You might have had a hearing test before. Or your parent or carer wanted you to have a test.



- We want to ask you about what it is like to see an audiologist or have a hearing test.
- If you could not use hearing services we want to ask you why.



- We want to know what was good and what was bad.
- We want to ask you how to make hearing care better.

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- We would like to show you some information that audiologists use.
- We want to know what you think about this information and if it could be better.



- You do not have to tell us anything you do not want to.
- You do not need to tell us what hearing problems or care you have had.



- Siobhan has worked as an Audiologist in Sheffield, Chesterfield, Barnsley and Rotherham.

### **What would I be asked to do if I take part?**



- We would like to ask you these questions in a group.

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- We would like you to take part in 1 group.
- There will be up to 6 children with learning disabilities in the group.



- Parents/carers will be at the group too.



- The groups will happen online.
- We will be running the groups. You will be able to see us.



- We would like you to have your camera on so we can see you too.
- You do not have to if you do not want to.





- The group will take 1 hour.
- It will happen at a time that is good for your family.



- We want to record what you say in the group.
- Only take part if you are happy to be recorded.



- You will be able to type comments using the chat function during the group.
- We will record what you type.



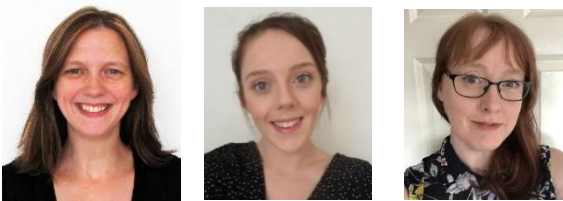
### **Do I have to take part?**

- No. You do not have to take part.
- It is your choice.



- If you choose to take part, you can change your mind later.
- You can leave the group if you want to.

### **What happens to what I say?**



- Only Siobhan, Shanice, and Marianne will know what you say.



- Nobody else will be able to see what you said.
- We will keep these things safe and private.



- The University of Manchester or other people may need to check our work.



- They will keep what you said safe.
- We will have to tell your parent or a carer if we do not think you are safe.



- At the end of the study, we can tell you what we found out.

### **What do I do now?**



- If you want to know more, please ask your mum, dad, or the person who looks after you.



- You can also ask us questions using our email addresses:



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Let us know if you would like to take part.