

Learning Disabilities & Decision Making

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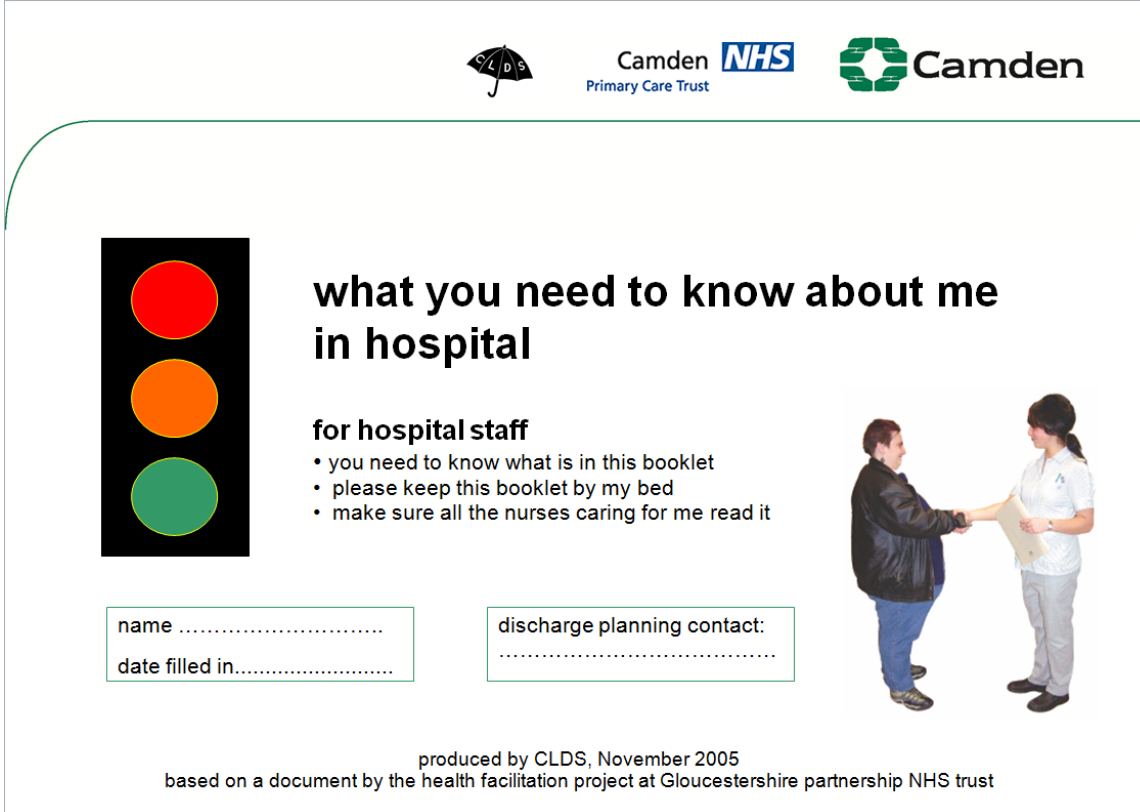
Hello, my name is Tim Buck Learning Disabilities Clinical Nurse Specialist



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1. Overview of LD Nurse support
2. Hospital Passport
3. Easy Read information
4. Decision Making

Hospital Passport/Traffic Light Passport



The image shows the cover of a 'Hospital Passport' booklet. At the top, it features the logos for 'Camden Primary Care Trust' (with an umbrella icon), 'Camden NHS', and 'Camden' (with a recycling symbol). The main title is 'what you need to know about me in hospital'. Below this, it says 'for hospital staff' and lists three bullet points: 'you need to know what is in this booklet', 'please keep this booklet by my bed', and 'make sure all the nurses caring for me read it'. To the left of the text is a graphic of a traffic light with red, orange, and green lights. Below the text are two input boxes: 'name, date filled in.....' and 'discharge planning contact:,, .., .., ..'. At the bottom, it says 'produced by CLDS, November 2005' and 'based on a document by the health facilitation project at Gloucestershire partnership NHS trust'. On the right side of the booklet, there is a photograph of a man in a dark jacket and a woman in a white nurse's uniform shaking hands.

- <http://insight/departments/Projects/LearnDis/Pages/default.aspx>

Accessible Information/Easy-Read

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Going to A&E

What happens when you are ill and have to go to hospital

An Easy Read leaflet

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	When you feel ill you will normally go to see the doctor in your local surgery - your GP.
	But if you are really ill or have hurt yourself, you may have to go to hospital.
	Sometimes you may have to go in an ambulance.
	When you arrive at the hospital you will go to the Accident and Emergency department. This is known as 'A&E'.
	The person on the front desk will ask your name and address.

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You can get these leaflets in Easy Read:

- Having a blood test
- Having an X-ray
- Having a scan
- Having a pre-operative assessment
- Going into hospital
- Having a general anaesthetic
- Getting help
- Washing your hands

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Mental Capacity Act (2005)

- Legislation (law)
- Applies to people aged 16 or over who lacks capacity to make a decision
- Lasting Power of Attorney
- Court appointed Deputy
- Advanced Decisions

Mental Capacity Act (2005)

Five Core Principles

1. Presumption of capacity: assume capacity unless proven otherwise
2. Maximise decision making: support & ensure person makes own decisions & not inappropriately assessed as incapacitated
3. Freedom to make unwise decision: Do not treat someone as incapable of making a decision
4. Best interests: any decisions or actions taken for people without capacity is in their best interests
5. Least restrictive alternative: consider if it is possible to make decision that is least restrictive of that person's fundamental rights & freedoms.

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Thank you – Any Questions?

