



**SERVICE DESCRIPTION:** Community Learning Disability Team

The Community Learning Disability Team provide specialist health assessments, interventions and care for people with learning disabilities. It also has a role in developing capacity to our services and support people with learning disabilities' access to primary and secondary healthcare.

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**DIRECTORATE:** Learning Disability Service

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## 1. ELIGIBILITY

The selection criteria for the above Service are applicable to:

- Individuals over the age of 18 with learning disabilities and a physical and/or mental health need, complex needs such as profound intellectual and multiple disabilities, autism or challenging behaviour;
- Learning disability includes the presence of:
  - a significantly reduced ability to understand new or complex information, to learn new skills (impaired intelligence), with;
  - a reduced ability to cope independently (impaired social functioning) which started before adulthood, with a lasting effect on development.

(This is the *Valuing People* definition, which is consistent with the World Health Organisation and ICD10 definitions.) The Learning Disability Service has a defined eligibility process to determine whether or not someone has a learning disability.

## 2. THE REFERRAL PROCESS

Referrals are accepted from primary care (GPs), secondary care, social care services, service users, families and voluntary or private sector organisations.

## 3. GEOGRAPHICAL POPULATION COVERED

The registered populations of NHS Sheffield Clinical Commissioning Group.