

Deaf people to qualify as nurses

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A meeting of Deaf Professionals in Mental Health (DPIMH) was held on 8th February at Rampton Hospital at Retford in Nottinghamshire. Over 30 people attended, including several as far away as Cornwall.

Issues discussed included the British Society for Mental Health and Deafness (BSMHD) Conference to be held in September this year in Manchester and the role which Deaf people will play at the Conference. The meeting also discussed the subject of training. The DPIMH has been liaising with a college in Sheffield about the first ever course to train Deaf people as qualified nurses.

The DPIMH group is open to any Deaf person involved in the caring professions, such as counsellors, social workers and volunteer workers. For more information about the group contact the Secretary, DPIMH, National Centre for Mental Health and Deafness, Prestwich Hospital, Bury New Road, Prestwich, Manchester, M25 7BL.