

WALES UPDATE



MESSAGE TO THE MINISTER

On a crisp Autumn day, Shared Lives carers from all over Wales made their way to the heart of Welsh Government. They came to meet Assembly Members and Rebecca Evans, the Minister for Social Services. There was a real buzz in the packed conference room, and thanks to them Shared Lives gained a whole lot more support. When it comes to demonstrating the real value of Shared Lives, no one does it better than the people who deliver the service and those they support. So a big thank you to everyone!

NEW FACES

We've also held a lively meeting of the Welsh Committee, and now have a new Chair. Becky Bloor-Steen, is Head of Service and Registered Manager for PSS (Person Shaped Support) in Wales. Here's her letter of introduction.

"Hi to my Shared Lives family in Wales, I am thrilled to have taken on the role of Chair. What keeps me going and determined to see Shared Lives develop across Wales is a real belief in what we do! I can see the bigger picture and I am excited to play a part in achieving it. Remembering why we all do the job and what our ultimate vision and mission is, helps me to stay grounded and focused and keeps me driving forward.

I know, with your support, we can engage, enthuse and work with people across Wales to grow and develop Shared Lives services as a model of choice for its WOW factor!! I want Shared Lives to make a real difference and I look forward to working with you to achieve this!

Please do email me on becky.bloor-steen@pss.org.uk. I'd love to hear your thoughts, ideas, and experiences of Shared Lives in Wales.

Diolch yn fawr iawn!

Becky."

GET INVOLVED

The Welsh Committee represents Shared Lives members' interests. It works to support and develop services across Wales. Shared Lives carers are welcome to get involved. If you'd like to know more, do get in touch!

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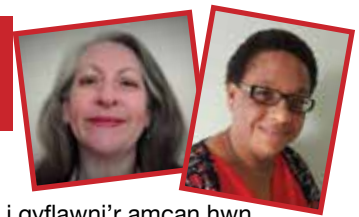
Or write to us, marking your envelope
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AND FINALLY.....OLD FRIENDS:

One of our most dedicated Shared Lives registered managers, Selwyn Lloyd-Jones, is being promoted. Selwyn's managed services in Gwynedd since 2010, and will be missed. Energetic and committed, in 2013 his hard-work earned him a gold award for Leading Practitioner in the management of Social Care. Lowri Matulla will take over as the registered manager in Gwynedd. Pob lwc ddau!

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NEGES I'R GWEINIDOG

Ar ddiwrnod braf o Hydref, cafodd gofalgwyr Cysylltu Bywydau o bob cwr o Gymru gyfle i gyfarfod ag Aelodau'r Cynulliad a Rebecca Evans, y Gweinidog Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol. Roedd cyffro mawr yn yr ystafell gynadledda lawn, a diolch i'r rhai a fynychodd, cafodd Cysylltu Bywydau lawer o gefnogaeth newydd. Ni all neb ddangos pwysigrwydd gwaith Cysylltu Bywydau yn well na'r bobl sy'n darparu'r gwasanaeth a'r rhai sy'n elwa ohono. Felly diolch o galon i bawb!

WYNEBAU NEWYDD

Hefyd, rydym wedi cynnal cyfarfod bywiog o Bwyllgor Cymru, ac mae gennym Gadeirydd newydd bellach. Becky Bloor-Steen yw'r Pennaeth Gwasanaethau a'r Rheolwr Cofrestredig ar gyfer Cymorth seiliedig ar Bobl yng Nghymru. Dyma ei llythyr cyflwyniad:

"Annwyl deulu Cysylltu Bywydau yng Nghymru,

Rwyf wrth fy modd yn derbyn swydd y Cadeirydd. Rwy'n benderfynol o sicrhau bod Cysylltu Bywydau yn datblygu ledled Cymru, ac rwy'n ymwybodol iawn o bwysigrwydd ein gwaith. Rwy'n gallu gweld y darlun mwy ac rwy'n teimlo'n gyffrous iawn ynglŷn â helpu i gyflawni ein hamcanion. Drwy gofio pam mae pob un ohonom yn gwneud y gwaith hwn, a meddwl am ein gweledigaeth a'n cenhadaeth, rwy'n gallu canolbwyntio ar yr hyn sydd angen ei wneud ac ar barhau i wella yn y dyfodol.

Gyda'ch cymorth chi, rwy'n gwybod bod modd i ni ennyn diddordeb, ennill brwdfrydedd a gweithio gyda phobl ledled Cymru i ddatblygu gwasanaethau Cysylltu Bywydau fel model i'w ddewis oherwydd ei ragoriaeth. Rwy'n awyddus i sicrhau bod Cysylltu Bywydau yn gwneud gwahaniaeth gwirioneddol, ac edrychaf ymlaen at weithio

gyda chi i gyflawni'r amcan hwn.

Mae croeso i chi anfon eich syniadau a'ch profiadau o waith Cysylltu Bywydau yng Nghymru drwy anfon e-bost ataf: becky.bloor-steen@pss.org.uk.

Diolch yn fawr iawn!

Becky."

CYMRYD RHAN

Mae Pwyllgor Cymru yn cynrychioli buddiannau aelodau Cysylltu Bywydau. Mae'n gweithio i gefnogi a datblygu gwasanaethau ledled Cymru. Mae croeso i ofalwyr Cysylltu Bywydau gymryd rhan yn y gwaith hwn. Cofiwch gysylltu os hoffech chi wybod mwy.

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AC YN OLAF.....HEN FFRINDIAU:

Mae un o reolwyr cofrestredig mwyaf ymroddgar Cysylltu Bywydau, Selwyn Lloyd-Jones, wedi ennill dyrchafiad. Mae Selwyn wedi bod yn rheoli gwasanaethau yng Ngwynedd ers 2010, a bydd colled fawr ar ei ôl. Mae Selwyn yn llawn egni ac ymroddiad, ac yn 2013 enillodd wobwr aur am ei waith fel Ymarferydd Arweiniol ym maes rheoli Gofal Cymdeithasol. Lowri Matulla fydd y rheolwr cofrestredig newydd yng Ngwynedd. Pob lwc i'r ddau ohonynt!