Co-production Guidance and information

The following links provide a selection of guidance documents and information about co-production from Health and Wellbeing Alliance members, their networks and others.

BILD

Working Together Charter (2023)

A document that talks about the core principles that drive BILD when working in partnership with people with lived experience.

https://www.bild.org.uk/working-together/

Blogpost talking about what co-production means.

https://www.bild.org.uk/co-production/

Carers Trust

Online toolkit for professionals working in and with the health sector. Includes a variety of resources available in both Welsh and English.

Five-part toolkit about co-production that looks at:

- Understanding of Co-production – Features summary factsheets, an essay, recording of co-production introduction training, podcast episodes and co-production audit tool.
- Examples of co-production in Action – Featuring co-production case studies.
- Doing co-production – Things to consider when getting started. Includes resources such as a stakeholder mapping template and ideas for inviting people to your co-production group.
- Co-producing with carers – Looking at carer specific issues. Features information, films about the day-to-day lives of carers, and good practice guidance.
- Next steps and further support – 'A few thoughts to conclude'.

https://carers.org/carer-aware-project/part-1-understanding-co-production

Cheshire East Council

Together in East Cheshire – Co-production Definition and Guide

Short guide that highlights their definition of co-production, their goals and principles.

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/local-offer-for-children-with-sen-and-disabilities/send-developments/together-in-cheshire-east/together-in-cheshire-east.aspx

Clinks

Service User Involvement and Co-production (2016)

Service user involvement and co-production guidance that looks at what service user involvement is and why and how you should involve service users. It also looks at how to get started, project planning and delivery, recruitment, reward and support, and resources.

clinks_sui-guide_FINAL-WEB_2019.03.pdf

Online guidance and resources

https://www.clinks.org/publication/guide-service-user-involvement-and-co-production

Coalition for Personalised Care (C4PC)

Guidance and resources including resources that explore co-production issues and processes including remuneration, representation, and shaping through storytelling.

https://www.coalitionforpersonalisedcare.org.uk/co-production/

Co-production Collective

A co-production community that support co-production projects and enable others to co-produce. Website features information, resources and co-production stories.

https://www.coproductioncollective.co.uk/

Resource library: Co-Production Collective Resource Library (coproductioncollective.co.uk)

Groundswell

Inspiring Change Manchester's Co-production Journey

Research conducted by Groundswell for Inspiring Change Manchester that explores how co-production has led to a change in understanding, beliefs, policy and practice.

https://groundswell.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Groundswell-ICMs-Coproduction-Journey-Final-report.pdf

Homeless Link

Co-Production – Working Together to Improve Homelessness Services: Overview of Key Ideas and Principles (2018)

A guidance document that is part of a broader toolkit on co-production. It examines what co-production is, what it involves, and the steps to take towards full participation. Also considers the principles of co-production. Other resources also include advice on employing people with lived experience, co-production and commissioning, and mentoring.

https://homeless.org.uk/knowledge-hub/co-production-toolkit/

Inclusion International/Down Syndrome International

Listen, Include, Respect – How-to guides

A range of guidelines to support organisations to make their work more inclusive. Includes guides on communication, information, good support, meetings, consultations, projects and advocacy and campaigns, employing people, inclusive organisations and leadership.

https://www.listenincluderespect.com/how-to-guides

Maternity Voices

Advice and tools to support co-production.

https://nationalmaternityvoices.org.uk/toolkit-for-mvps/mvps-in-action/co-production-resources/

MacIntyre

McIntyre set out their **co-production standards.**

https://www.macintyrecharity.org/news-blogs/the-big-plan-how-were-making-co-production-work/

Mind

Influence and Participation Toolkit

A toolkit for organisations that want to engage with people with mental health problems in a meaningful way. It highlights the benefits for people with lived experience and for staff, how to plan and carry out influence and participation activities, and challenges to influence and participation.

https://www.mind.org.uk/workplace/influence-and-participation-toolkit/

https://www.mind.org.uk/workplace/influence-and-participation-toolkit/how/methods/co-production/

National Collaborating Centre for Mental Health

Working Well Together – Evidence and Tools to Enable Co-production in Mental Health Commissioning (2019)

Document that helps to build an evidence base for co-production in mental health commissioning. Provides guidance on co-produced commissioning and provides best practice examples.

https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/docs/default-source/improving-care/nccmh/working-well-together/working-well-together---evidence-and-tools-to-enable-co-production-in-mental-health-commissioning.pdf?sfvrsn=4e2924c1_2

National Development Team for Inclusion (NDTi)

A Guide to Co-production (2018)

A guide that looks at what co-production is, provides background to the idea, provides advice on how to do it and the challenges you may face, and features learning examples.

https://www.ndti.org.uk/resources/a-guide-to-co-production

National Survivor User Network

4Pi Involvement Standards

Guidance explaining how the 4Pi framework supports the involvement of service users and carers.

https://www.nsun.org.uk/projects/4pi-involvement-standards/

National Voices

Wellbeing Our Way (2014-2017)

A programme that brought together charities, community organisations and individuals to develop culture and practice across the voluntary sector, in order to enable people with health needs to live well in ways that matter to them.

https://www.nationalvoices.org.uk/project/wellbeing-our-way

Valuing Lived Experience – Learning Report (2022)

A report that brings together learning from the pilot phase of the Voices for Improvement Project.

https://www.nationalvoices.org.uk/publications/our-publications/valuing-lived-experience-learning-report

NCVO

Co-production and service user involvement information including case studies.

https://www.ncvo.org.uk/help-and-guidance/running-a-charity/collaboration/coproduction-and-service-user-involvement/

NESTA

Co-production Catalogue (2012)

A report that highlights co-production case studies including for people with learning disabilities. It also highlights research and provides advice on what co-production is and what it isn't.

https://media.nesta.org.uk/documents/co-production_catalogue.pdf

NHS England

More Power to People with a Learning Disability (2018)

An easy read summary of the paper 'Shifting the balance of power' in Advances in Mental Health and Intellectual Disability (2018, issue 3). It describes why more power should be given to people with learning disabilities through the work the NHS does.

https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/more-power-to-people-with-a-learning-disability/

Co-production Resource Toolkit (2023)

Developed by We Coproduce, and the Improvement Team and the Experience of Care Team at NHS England, the toolkit features resources that include, an Introduction to co-production, literature review, Co-production and Quality Improvement Resource Guide and Quality assurance Venn diagram.

NHS England » Co-production resource toolkit

NIHR

Guidance on Co-producing a Research Project (2018)

Guidance that articulates the key principles and features of co-producing a research project.

https://www.learningforinvolvement.org.uk/content/resource/nihr-guidance-on-co-producing-a-research-project/?

Race Equality Foundation

Physical Health Checks for People with Severe Mental Illness from African and Caribbean Communities – Findings from Co-production (2023)

Report on a project to better understand whether African and Caribbean people with severe mental illness were aware of and accessing physical health checks. They heard from people with severe mental illness and staff supporting them. This resulted in several recommendations by the people involved which will be taken forward in the second phase of the project.

https://raceequalityfoundation.org.uk/health-and-care/report-physical-health-checks-for-people-with-severe-mental-illness-from-african-and-caribbean-communities-findings-from-co-production/

Revolving Doors

Blog post

https://revolving-doors.org.uk/changing-health-justice/

Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE)

Co-production: What it is and how to do it

(2013, updated 2015 and 2022)

Guidance that explains what co-production is, the relationship between co-production and the Care Act 2014, and looks at how to do co-production.

https://www.scie.org.uk/co-production

Think Local Act Personal

Online information

Information helping to define what co-production is.

https://www.thinklocalactpersonal.org.uk/co-production-in-commissioning-tool/co-production/In-more-detail/what-is-co-production/#:~:text=Transformational%20co%2Dproduction%20means%20that,directly%20relevant%20to%20the%20service

Voice Ability

What is Co-production

Information explaining what co-production is, and what it looks like.

https://www.voiceability.org/news/what-is-co-production

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership

Trauma Informed Co-production Guidance

Guidance that looks at how we might think about service and system co-production from a trauma informed perspective

https://www.wypartnership.co.uk/application/files/6416/5104/5038/West_Yorkshire_Trauma_Informed_Co-Production_Guidance_April_22.pdf