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PROGRAMME UPDATE

Keeping stakeholders, parents and carers informed about Dudley's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Improvement Programme.

8) Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust signs up to the Power of Youth Charter and are looking for young people to join

Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust are signing-up to the Power of Youth Charter. This means we are making a public commitment and taking meaningful action to empower children and young people to make positive differences on issues that affect their lives, communities, and the broader society. Our engagement with young people is paramount as they have the energy, ideas, and aptitude to make a positive difference. We pledge to actively involve young people in our organisational decision making as well as improving experiences and providing worthwhile opportunities.

We are keen to sign up as many young people as possible.

Benefits of signing up include:

- Allow us access to new ideas and perspectives that will enhance our organisation's work and impact
- Strengthening our organisation's relationship with our younger stakeholders by showing them that we care about their views and impact
- Setting an example to other organisations within and beyond our sector to encourages them to embrace and grow the power of youth
- Allow us access to networks and resources through the **#IWill** Partnership that help us to deliver our Charter commitments

We realise that young people attend a vast array of departments in the Trust, so our aim of the launch is to engage with Trust employees to promote their understanding of how they can get on

board with the Power of Youth Charter. Its everyone's responsibility to think about their own departments and how they cater for their young people.

If you would like any further information, then please contact Claire McCafferty -Transition Co-Ordinator claire.mccafferty@nhs.net, alternatively you can visit [our website](#).

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