



Information about LeDeR for people with learning disability, families, carers and professionals.

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Today we are publishing the fifth LeDeR annual report by the University of Bristol.



LeDeR is about stopping people with a learning disability from dying earlier than they should.



NHS England and NHS Improvement have also published a report today, called 'LeDeR: Action from Learning'.

It is about work NHS England and NHS Improvement have already done, and work that NHS England and NHS Improvement are going to do to stop people dying younger.



Both reports are in easy read.



Annual Report The University of Bristol LeDeR report talks about the reviews that have been completed

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We know from the Bristol LeDeR report that there were some problems with how good people's care was



The report is about deaths of people aged 4 and above in England, that have been reported to NHS England's LeDeR programme from 1st Jan 2018 - 31st December 2020.



Part of the report talks about the deaths of people with a learning disability who died during 2020 who had COVID-19.



The key points from the Annual report are: There have been some improvements in the care of people with learning disabilities between 2018 and 2019, but this hasn't been true for everyone



People from minority ethnic groups with a learning disability have not had as good care as others, and this was made worse by COVID-19



57% of people that died were men and 43% were women



The biggest causes of deaths in 2018 and 2019 were disorders of the respiratory system. This is when you have a problem with your chest and breathing



The University of Bristol made some suggestions about what could be done differently to try and stop people from dying in these ways.

NHS England and NHS Improvement will:



Make sure that anyone from minority ethnic community has a focused LeDeR review so we learn more from the deaths of these people



NHS England and NHS Improvement recognise that respiratory conditions are the biggest cause of deaths for people with a learning disability so we will be working with the British Thoracic Society to produce a toolkit to help prevent this



Work with Learning Disability England to improve support for people with a learning disability and their families from minority ethnic communities



Work with other organisations to find how best to make sure that people with a learning disability and their families have information about healthcare related rights, entitlements, national services and local sources of support



We wold like to say thank you to everyone who has worked on the report.



We would like to say a special thank you to the families of people who have lost a loved one.



The NHS Long Term Plan sets out more plans to support people with a learning disability and autism to live happier, healthier and more independent lives.