

## Media Briefing

### About the organisation

Dimensions is a specialist not-for-profit provider of support for people with learning disabilities and autism in England and Wales.

The organisation supports over 2500 people, working with them and their families to help them live the lives they choose, advocating greater community inclusion, choice and control.

Dimensions prides itself on being a dynamic and forward looking organisation with a leading approach to personalisation. It is the only social care provider to employ a national team of Support Advisors dedicated to assisting families and individuals with personal budgets to find support.

Leaders in their sector, the Dimensions team include some of the most experienced autism and learning disabilities professionals in social care. It is also a leading authority in helping young people and families in their transition from school to higher education and employment.

To find out more about Dimensions' specialist services and unique provisions in the social care sector visit [www.dimensions-uk.org](http://www.dimensions-uk.org)

### Expert comment and analysis

We can provide analysis and comment on a range of topics related to learning disability and autism, including but not exclusive to:

- Social care reform and the social care market
- Delivering personalised support and improving quality of life
- The role of families and unpaid carers in social care delivery
- Social enterprises operated by Dimensions to increase employment opportunities
- Social housing
- Transition to adulthood
- Positive behaviour support to improve outcomes
- Public awareness and advice
- Short breaks and support for children and young people

### Expert spokespeople - ask us

#### Steve Scown Chief Executive

Over 30 years experience working with people with learning disabilities. Steve leads Dimensions in championing the personalisation agenda and co-authored the award winning book, 'Making it Personal' and more recently 'Making it Personal for Everyone.'

#### Geoff Rose Chair of the Board

A qualified pharmacist who studied marketing and business development and became CEO of an international health care group. Geoff was appointed to Chair of a NHS Primary Care Trust and currently holds the post of senior independent director of a well known NHS mental health trust incorporating Broadmoor.

#### Chris Ingram Executive Director

With 20 years experience in the social care sector, Chris is responsible for national delivery of services and is the nominated Individual for the Care Quality Commission.

#### Rashmi Becker Executive Director, Marketing and Business Development

Responsible for the growth of Dimensions, improving public engagement and working with government and other organisations to help ensure policy and practice reflects the needs and aspirations of people with learning disabilities and autism.

#### Jackie Fletcher Director of Continuous Improvement

Lead practitioner on person centred thinking and approaches and issues related to the regulation of services for vulnerable people.

#### Lisa Hopkins Director of Specialist Development

Organisational lead on the support of people with autism, Lisa also has responsibility for the Behaviour Support specialist consultancy team and is the spokesperson for the employment and assistive technology work. Lisa has overall responsibility for Dimensions' growing social enterprise portfolio.