

Disability Training for Defence Estates Operations Housing

Staff members from DE and the HICs have undergone Disability and Additional Needs Training as part of DE's ongoing commitment to helping families with a dependant with an additional need.

The training was undertaken by Disability With A Life (DWAL), and covered subjects such as defining disability, impairments and etiquette, disability legislation and language.

DWAL was developed to promote and ensure disability equality within the social housing sector. However, it has now expanded to cover all aspects of service provision, from the small shop to the largest local authority. It offers training to front line staff, advice and audits on accessibility (physical, sensory and attitude), and can play a strategic role within organisations by helping develop workable policies, procedures and action plans.

It is DE's intention that the staff members who attended the course will be focal points for any enquiries relating to disability and additional needs so that each HIC has a nominated member of staff for this subject.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the appropriate HIC directly.