

Overcoming barriers to independence

We create opportunities for deaf young people to grow in confidence and develop their ideas. We make sure their needs come first, and help others do the same. Here's what we've achieved with your support.



★ Deaf young people and decision making

Involve, Engage, Inspire, our 2023 online conference, brought together 120 education professionals to share ideas for empowering deaf young people to take greater control of their lives and the support they receive. We worked with 40 deaf young people to develop the content, with many speaking at the event and helping to facilitate workshop sessions.

It was the first time we'd planned a conference in partnership with young people and professionals, and it was hugely beneficial. Every professional we surveyed identified positive learning outcomes, and for most, the highlight was having the opportunity to learn from deaf young people.

“Having deaf young people [...] involved in discussions was fantastic. It got right to the heart of why co-production and working together is so important.”

Conference participant



★ Deaf Works Everywhere

We launched our Deaf Works Everywhere (DWE) campaign in 2020 to get more deaf young people into jobs that inspire them. Here are some of the highlights of the project, which ended in March 2023.

Over three years, we created more than 20 videos for our DWE YouTube and Instagram channels, showcasing deaf people in a variety of jobs. These inspiring films were viewed more than 200,000 times and showed that many careers are open to deaf young people.

Educating employers on how to support deaf colleagues was a vital part of the project. Working with some inspiring deaf young people, we ran 24 workshops on accessibility in the workplace, reaching 240 people.

We provided direct support to 300 deaf young people through our employability skills workshops, where we provided feedback on

their CVs and organised mock interviews. We also helped to improve specialist careers support by developing a digital toolkit for professionals working with deaf young people. This was downloaded 927 times.

We're so proud of everything we achieved through Deaf Works Everywhere and want to thank everyone who funded the project.

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deaf young people co-produced our annual conference.



of conference participants reported positive learning outcomes.



200,000+

views of our careers campaign videos.