

The Bobath Centre for Children with Cerebral Palsy

Strategic Plan 2007-2010

PURPOSE

The Bobath Centre is a charity which strives to enable children with Cerebral Palsy to attain their maximum potential for activity, participation and health through the use and dissemination of the Bobath Concept thereby improving their quality of life and that of their families.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to:

- Treat children with Cerebral Palsy and allied neurological conditions, according to their need, so as to maximise their potential for activity, participation and health;
- Provide specialist training in the Bobath approach to treatment and management of children with Cerebral Palsy for therapists, doctors and others working with children with this condition;
- Undertake research into the treatment and management of Cerebral Palsy, publish information on, and promote awareness of, the Bobath Concept and its development.

AIMS

Treatment

- * To further develop and maintain an equitable and high-quality Bobath therapy service for children with Cerebral Palsy ("CP"), regardless of the severity of the condition, so as to improve their activity, participation and health and thereby their quality of life and that of their families.

Training

- * To disseminate the Bobath Concept as widely as possible, with the primary focus on UK-based practitioners, by providing specialist Bobath training programmes, both on-site and externally, for therapists and others working with children with CP.

Research and Development

- * To undertake and promote research and publish material in support of the effectiveness of the Bobath Concept and its development in the treatment and management of CP and to increase public awareness.

Attracting and developing people

- * To create a working culture and environment which successfully attracts, retains, develops and rewards our employees and volunteers.

Securing sufficient resources and their effective use

- * To ensure that the organisation secures sufficient and appropriate financial, material and staff resources to achieve its aims and that such resources are used efficiently and effectively.

Appropriate support for sister organizations

- * To maintain the close working relationship with the The Bobath Centre for Adults with Neurological Disability and to provide appropriate support for the independent children's organisations in Wales and Scotland, in line with the terms detailed in the draft Memorandum of Understanding (Appendix 1), and to secure their close co-operation in support of the Bobath Concept.

Maintaining close links with other Bobath organisations

- * To maintain good relationships with other Bobath organisations around the world so as to facilitate the development of the Bobath Concept.

Increasing public awareness of the work of the Bobath Centre generally

- * To promote appropriately the work of the Bobath Centre and the profile of the Bobath Concept among the different stakeholders, including health care professionals.

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