Training and support for welfare rights organisations

Disability Equality Scotland is funded by the Scottish Government to provide training and support to organisations that offer welfare rights advice to the public.

The programme is currently available to organisations working in Perth and Clackmannanshire. Staff and volunteers from national organisations can also take part if they work with people in these areas.

Have a look through the courses below and see what could be useful for you and your organisation.

If you have any questions about the content of this document, please email training@disabilityequality.scot or phone us at 0141 370 0968.

Missed a webinar? You can still take part!

We record all our webinars, so you can access our free training whenever it suits you. If you would like to watch a recording, just email us at training@disabilityequality.scot

Past webinars:

Barriers in physical spaces

What can make a building or other physical space difficult for disabled people to use? Come along to this webinar to find out more about:

- the barriers people can face
- what we can do to remove or reduce these barriers

Introduction to accessible design

Good design should work for as many people as possible. In this webinar, we will talk about:

- how design choices can create barriers
- simple ways to make design more accessible

Accessible spoken language

The language we use can make a real difference to making people feel included. Come along to this webinar to think about how we use spoken language and learn some ways you can communicate in a more accessible and inclusive way.

Easy Read basics

This webinar will introduce you to the basics of Easy Read. We will look at:

- what Easy Read is
- who it is for
- some of the things to think about when making Easy Read

Training still to come:

Disability Equality Training

This 2-part training gives you space to think about disability, equality and inclusion in more depth. We will talk about:

- the barriers disabled people can face
- the impact of attitudes and assumptions
- what we can do to remove barriers and promote equality

Thursday 18 February and Thursday 25 February 2027, 9:30am to 1:30pm.

To book a place, please contact: training@disabilityequality.scot

Inclusive communication workshop 1: language

Language can be a powerful tool for inclusion, but it can also create barriers. In this workshop, we will talk about the language we use when communicating with and about disabled people. We will discuss different experiences, challenge some common assumptions and think about how we can communicate more inclusively.

Thursday 26 November 2026, 10am to 12pm.

To book a place, please contact: training@disabilityequality.scot

Inclusive communication workshop 2: design

Accessible communication is not just about language. In this workshop, we will look at how the way information is designed and presented can make it easier or harder for people to access and use. We will look at how you can make accessible:

- PowerPoint slides
- printed media
- videos
- social media posts

Thursday 3 December 2026, 10am to 12pm.

To book a place, please contact: training@disabilityequality.scot

Easy Read Training

Easy Read is an accessible format that uses simple, jargon-free language, shorter sentences, and supporting images. This 4-part training gives you the chance to look at Easy Read in more detail and put what you learn into practice.

- Monday 8 February 2027
- Wednesday 10 February 2027
- Monday 15 February 2027
- Wednesday 17 February 2027

10am to 12pm.

To book a place, please contact: training@disabilityequality.scot

Webinars coming in 2027:

We will share more details and open registration closer to the time, so keep an eye out for updates.

How to set up a user group to feedback on your documents

What better way to find out whether your documents work for people than by asking the people who will use them? Come along to this webinar to find out more about setting up a user group and getting useful feedback on your documents.

Wednesday 6 January 2027, 12pm to 1pm.

UK Easy Read Standards and how to use them

The UK Easy Read Standards bring together the best Easy Read practice from many different areas and types of work. The Standards are designed to support all Easy Read writers and users. In this webinar, we will look at the standards and talk about how you can use them in your own work and how we can make sure that Easy Read is a good communication experience for everyone.

Wednesday 13 January 2027, 12pm to 1pm.

Scottish Government Foundation Inclusive Communication Toolkit and how to use it

The Scottish Government Foundation Inclusive Communication Toolkit has lots of useful information and ideas for making communication more inclusive. Come along to this webinar to find out:

- what is in the toolkit
- how you can use it in your own work.

Wednesday 27 January 2027, 12pm to 1pm.

How to find out your users' accessibility needs

How do you know what your users actually need? This webinar looks at practical ways to find out about people's accessibility needs and use what you learn to improve your information and services.

We will also look at why accessible information needs to be easy to find as well as easy to use. This includes thinking about how we signpost people to accessible resources.

Tuesday 16 February 2027, 12pm to 1pm.

We hope you can join us

We hope you find something that is useful and interesting. We would love to see you at one of our sessions.

We look forward to meeting you and working with you.

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