**Tender Document Rights Made Real**

The Irish Dementia Working Group (IDWG) supported by The Alzheimer Society of Ireland (The ASI) is seeking professional support to develop a human rights awareness session for people living with dementia called *Rights Made Real*.

**Aim of the Awareness Session**

To empower people living with dementia to understand what their human rights are and to make those rights real and applicable in their lives. To move human rights from something intangible which exists on paper to something that can impact the lives of people with dementia in a positive manner.

**Objectives**

* To use human rights law, materials created by the IDWG ( the *Charter of Rights for People with Dementia* <https://alzheimer.ie/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Charter-of-Rights-for-People-with-Dementia.pdf>) and The ASI booklet *I have dementia, I have rights* <https://alzheimer.ie/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/ASI-I-have-dementia-I-have-Rights_web.pdf> to inform people living with dementia about their rights and to make these documents “real” for people.
* To create an awareness session (possibly over a number of sessions) to deliver this information
* To create information materials to accompany the awareness sessions
* To build the capacity of members of the Irish Dementia Working Group to deliver the awareness session to their peers living with dementia (members will be supported by The ASI team).
* To support The Alzheimer Society of Ireland to evaluate the sessions

**Expected Outcomes**

This project seeks to take the Charter of Rights for People with Dementia down from the shelf and put into the hands of people living with dementia. The expected outcomes are:

* The Rights Made Real awareness sessions are developed, delivered and evaluated. There are materials which can be used by others to deliver the session in the future.
* Members of the Irish Dementia Working Group are empowered to deliver Rights Made Real awareness sessions.
* People living with dementia who attend the awareness sessions understand the concept of human rights, know what their rights are and how they are upheld or not as they live their lives.

**Relevant experience – (35 marks)**
• Demonstrate ability/experience to create and deliver awareness sessions, in particular with marginalised learners.

• Demonstrate knowledge and relevant qualification in human rights law.

• Personal or professional experience of engaging with people living dementia and an understanding of what that involves.
• Each submission should include a cover page of no more than two A4 pages; this will form part of the assessment. The cover letter should include the individual or company’s motivation for undertaking this work.

**Proposal and vision – (35 marks)**
• Practical examples of how, through these awareness sessions you can support people living with dementia to understand how human rights can impact their daily lives
•Brief outline of potential awareness session content and learning approach

**Capacity to deliver- (30 marks)**
• The ability to complete the project and provide the necessary professionals for a budget of between €4000 and €5000
• A commitment to be available to undertake the work from April to November 2021
• Evidence of safeguarding procedures, insurance and financial procedures (e.g. ability to invoice, accept electronic payment).

**The submissions will be evaluated by a panel comprising of A Person Living with Dementia, The ASI Learning & Development Manager, The ASI Advocacy Engagement & Participation Officer, The ASI Advocacy Manager, an independent Human Rights expert.**

**Potential applicants are encouraged to contact Clodagh Whelan Advocacy, Engagement and Participation Officer for further information** clodagh.whelan@alzheimer.ie **or 085 8047071**

***Tenders to be received by Clodagh Whelan by COB Friday April 2nd via clodagh.whelan@alzheimer.ie***

**About the Irish Dementia Working Group (IDWG)**
The IDWG is an advocacy group for people living with dementia. They meet to share experiences and highlight issues important to them. Members raise awareness, challenge stigma, seek to influence public policy and engage in research.

Members of the group are early in the progression of their dementia and campaign for human rights based approach to the disease to make life better for the 64,000 people living with dementia in Ireland. They challenge the traditional paternalistic approach to people with dementia.

 **How this project is funded**
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