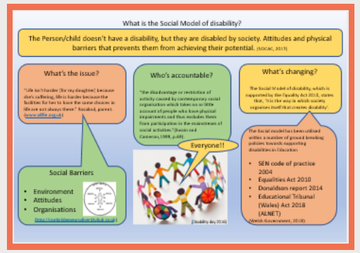

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What is the Social Model of disability?

The Person/child doesn't have a disability, but they are disabled by society. Attitudes and physical barriers that prevents them from achieving their potential. (NDCAC, 2017)

What's the issue?

"Life isn't harder [for my daughter] because she's suffering, life is harder because the facilities for her to have the same choices in life are not always there." Rosalind, parent. (www.allfie.org.uk)

Who's accountable?

"the disadvantage or restriction of activity caused by contemporary social organisation which takes no or little account of people who have physical impairments and thus excludes them from participation in the mainstream of social activities."(Swain and Cameron,1999, p.69).

What's changing?

The Social Model of disability, which is supported by the Equality Act 2010, states that, 'It is the way in which society organises itself that creates disability'.

Social Barriers

- Environment
- Attitudes
- Organisations

(http://cambridgeneurodiversityhub.co.uk)

Everyone!!

(Disability day 2016)

The Social model has been utilised within a number of ground breaking policies towards supporting disabilities in Education

- SEN code of practice 2004
- Equalities Act 2010
- Donaldson report 2014
- Educational Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018 (ALNET)

(Welsh Government, 2018)