

Foreword

Welcome to the third Strategic Plan for EVE. This is an exciting time in our department. Together we have agreed that our priority is to focus on creating dynamic partnerships within the HSE and our local communities to maximise opportunities for social inclusion and active citizenship as prioritised by the participants/members and staff of EVE.

We are committed to treating each person as an individual, honouring their choices, believing them, valuing them and affording them every opportunity to live a life of active citizenship within their community.

Introduction

EVE is a programme within the HSE, whose primary ethos is to provide community-based recovery-orientated programmes for adults who experience mental health difficulties, intellectual difficulties, Asperger's Syndrome, and Physical and Sensory disabilities. We cater for 1,400 participants/members annually through our network of Vocational, Rehabilitative, Occupational, and Clubhouse services in 21 locations across the HSE Community Health Office Areas 6, 7 & 9.

To find out more about our plans for the next four years, we invite you to read our full strategic plan which is available on the EVE* website at www.eve.ie.

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Process

Based on an extensive consultative exercise with participants/members and staff the plan was drafted by the community of EVE and represents the agreed priorities for the next four years.

Mission

EVE seeks to provide contexts, which support people become active citizens in their local communities by promoting health, wellbeing, learning and social inclusion in quality person-centred community services.

Vision

EVE is a department within the HSE that is committed to the provision of effective, safe, high quality health and personal social services in the community. We will achieve this through the delivery of hope-inspiring services that support people achieve personal wellbeing and live a self-determined life as an active citizen and valued member of their local communities.

Strategic Priorities

1. Promote active citizenship for all service users
2. Create opportunities to connect to the community

We will achieve this through objectives that focus on our programmes, our people and our services.

EVE Commitment

EVE is committed to creating contexts that maximise opportunities for social inclusion and active citizenship based on the fundamental belief in the right of people to live a personally fulfilling life in their local community. Over the next four years, we will work together to achieve this goal in a culture that values the wellbeing of our participants/members, staff and the communities in which we work, live and learn.

Claiming Citizenship means...

- ...having a say about what matters to me...
- ...having the supports to live an independent life...

Reclaiming Community will mean...

- ...socialising at evenings and weekends...
- ...building new links in the community...

Wellness allows me to...

- ...achieve my personal aspirations...
- ...fulfil a meaningful role in society.

We will know we are delivering "Hope-Inspiring Services" when:

- Our service meets the needs of our participants/members;
- We focus on the individual's strengths and not their limitations;
- We focus on a person's unique needs and no longer on disability or diagnosis;
- We provide contexts which create opportunities for meaningful, active citizenship for all;
- We work with both participants/members and staff in crafting quality services that meet their expressed needs;
- We support people who wish to work, live and learn in their local communities;
- We work with the person to build an effective support network;
- We are accountable to the people who use our services;
- We support both participants/members and staff develop the skills necessary to deliver the collective vision of our service;
- We provide environments where there is respect for all;
- We value the personal qualities of our staff and nurture their capacity for hope;
- We achieve success in developing cultures of wellness for individuals, our organisation and our local communities; and
- We can acknowledge that our collective quality of life has improved.