

A young person's guide to...

# Participation



Giving  
**disabled children**  
a brighter future

## What is Participation?

Participation is having opportunities to be part of decisions that are important to you which may lead to changes.

**Some people call participation youth voice**

## So what is Co-production?

Co-production is when we work together in partnership to make or create something.

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# Participation happens across 3 levels which are...

Individual	Service	Strategic
<p>Being part of decisions which are mainly to do with you and your life.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decisions affect your support and care</li> <li>• They impact you and your outcomes</li> <li>• Decisions allow you to build the skills, confidence and awareness of your rights to be involved in decision making</li> </ul> <p>I hired my own PA who helps me to do the things that I want to do</p> <p>I chose which college I went to and what I study</p>	<p>Being part of decisions about the way a project or service is run. This may impact you and others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decisions include planning, delivery and evaluation</li> <li>• They are about what you want from services</li> <li>• Decisions may help to improve the quality of service provision</li> </ul> <p>We choose what activities we want to do and what trips to go on as well as saying what is good or not!</p>	<p>Being part of decisions that affects the way we work with you and other young people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decisions include what kinds of services are needed and how much money should be spent on them</li> <li>• They may be about policy at a local, regional or national level</li> <li>• Young people have meaningful roles in priority setting, monitoring and designing services and work in partnership with decision makers</li> </ul> <p>I took part in a survey about what short breaks the local council would fund</p>

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