

## **MND Competency builder:**

### **MND Communication workshop – Effective management of communication difficulties in MND**

#### **Programme**

- 09:00 – 09:30 *Registration and coffee*
- 09:30 – 09:45 **Introduction to the day** – aims and objectives
- 09:45 – 10:15 **Direct and indirect impact of communication difficulties in MND**  
In this session there will be a brief recap of the direct and indirect impact of communication difficulties in MND to set the scene for the rest of the day.
- 10:15 – 11:00 **Supporting and encouraging communication when there is behavioural or cognitive change**  
In this session you will explore the effect that cognitive change can have on communication and consider possible management strategies.
- 11:00 – 11:15 *Screen break*
- 11:15 – 12:00 **The role of communication in decision making**  
The ability to communicate enables people to participate in decision making. In this session you will explore this concept of and how you might empower people with MND to take part in decisions about their care.
- 12:00 – 12:45 **Voice and message banking**  
In this session you will be introduced to the use of voice banking and the current technology available for carrying it out and then consider the use message banking and the use to which it can be put.
- 12.45 – 1:15 *Lunch*
- 1:15 – 2:15 **The principles of AAC and best practice in using it**  
This session you will be encouraged to reflect on AAC practice in its widest sense including integration with environmental controls and how we use them to best effect, with people living with MND.
- 2:15 – 2:30 *Screen break*
- 2:30 – 3:30 **Case studies – reflect practice and panel discussions**  
In this session you will have an opportunity to bring your own case studies for discussion with other attendees and the panel of presenters for the day.
- 3:30 – 3:45 **Evaluations and close**