



In a time of great change for adult learning, it is more vital than ever that voluntary organisations make a statement of their quality and their unique ability to reach the hardest-to-reach groups in their area.

Our project will provide peer support in quality management to 5 Third Sector partners, including funding an Action Research Project of the partner's choice worth £3,000, and free training in Learning Coaching to tutors at 10 organisations.

Our ultimate aim is to publish a report highlighting the vitality of Third Sector training organisations and outlining the most effective methods to help them achieve their potential.

Support for Management and Teachers

Peer Support for quality management at 5 organisations:

We will work together to identify your quality improvement requirements and support you with a £3,000 grant to realise this improvement. We will not be descriptive on what you need, but from our own experience and our conversations with you our Action Research Projects are likely to support development in areas such as self assessment, use of data and quality of teaching and learning.

You could use your grant to bring in expertise, or provide staff cover, or invest in capital equipment*

If you are involved in Peer Support you will need to invest time into scoping and delivering an Action Research Project (ARP) to help meet your organisation's quality improvement targets.

We will ask you to attend a meeting with the 5 Peer Support Partners to discuss your aims for the ARP, and afterwards to discuss its impact. From these meetings we will draw conclusions on the most effective ways to bring change and improvement in independent WBL/ACL providers and share this learning with the sector.

**subject to approval from LSIS*

Learning Coaching training for tutors at 10 organisations

Learning Coaching is the key to releasing the potential of your teaching staff through peer support and sharing of best practice. Benefits of the two day training session include:

- Gain confidence for improved teaching delivery
- Develop strategies and discover new resources to better meet your learners' needs
- Network across subjects and sectors and other training providers
- Gain accreditation as a Learning Coach (*optional*)
- Recognised by Ofsted as being a valuable contribution to an organisation
- Recognised by the Institute for Learning as a valuable asset for CPD

Learning Coaching training will be delivered by Jon Thedham, a vastly experienced coach who has trained staff at colleges and providers across the UK.

Want to learn more about the Subject Learning Coaching programme?

For more information check out 'Little Acorns Taking Root' at <http://nationalstrategies.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/node/153641>,

and the SCL website: www.subjectlearningcoach.net

Teachers of any subject are welcome on the training and we will be able to pay teacher cover costs up to £25 p/hr.

The 5 organisations involved in peer support can also place their tutors on Learning Coaching training.

We expect that most organisations will place 1 – 2 tutors on Learning Coaching training, though this could increase depending on delivery capacity. We will expect managers to enable your selected tutors to attend both days of the Learning Coaching training.

Project Dates

Our project will be delivered between June 2010 and July 2011.

Kick-off for Peer Support partners is on 8th July 2010, 10 a.m. at ELATT.

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