

**Invite to North West Commissioners and Procurers of Public Sector Services
to
Shaping Third Sector Supplier Directories event
Monday 17th May 2010
10.00am – 4.00pm**

With Professor Chris Heginbotham

You are invited to an event lead by Professor Chris Heginbotham, OBE, Acting Head of the International School for Communities, Rights and Inclusion (ISCRI), and Professor of Mental Health Policy and Management; University of Central Lancashire. A full biography is attached.

The event will also include a presentation by Debbie Dalby, Chief Executive of Halton Voluntary Action. Debbie will highlight the unique partnership between the third sector and the PCT which has led to the development and publication of a nationally recognised catalogue of third sector service providers.

The event will look at up to date research and evidence of current third sector supplier directories, and gather your views and input into the future development of these directories.

What information do you as procurement officers and/or commissioners need to see in third sector supplier directories?

This is your opportunity to shape the development of third sector supplier directories, assisting commissioners and/or procurement officers with their practices in line with legislation and market trends.

It forms part of a 3-part piece of research which, including your views and requirements, will ultimately recommend the most effective and efficient methods of producing third sector supplier directories.

The event will also offer an opportunity for you to network with up to 40 other commissioners and procurers of public sector services from across the North West.

Further details:
Numbers will be limited.

To reserve a place email: Linzi@changeupmerseyside.org.uk

The event will take place in the The Darwin Building Lecture Theatre click the link below to view:
http://www.uclan.ac.uk/information/uclan/how_to_find_us/preston_campus_map.php

NB: The Darwin Building is DB on the map

Lunch will be provided.

An agenda will follow once your booking has been confirmed.

For more information contact jayne@changeupmerseyside.org.uk



Christopher Heginbotham OBE

Biography April 2010

Acting Head of the International School for Communities, Rights and Inclusion (ISCRI), and Professor of Mental Health Policy and Management; University of Central Lancashire

Chris Heginbotham was Deputy Head of ISCRI from August 2008 when it was established and became temporarily Acting Head in February 2010. He held a part-time professorial position at UCLan from February 2005 and took up his present post full time in April 2008. He has worked at senior level within the public and third sectors for over 40 years. He was actively involved in the voluntary sector in the 1970s whilst working in housing, first with Circle 33 Housing Trust and then as Assistant Director of Housing in LB Haringey, before becoming National Director of MIND, the National Association for Mental Health, for most of the 1980s. Subsequently he was Fellow in Health Services Management at the Kings Fund, Chief Executive of three major NHS organisations, and latterly Chief Executive of the Mental Health Act Commission in England and Wales. He has been at various times Chairman, Vice-Chair and a member of three differing health authorities, and is presently a Non-Executive Director of Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust. He holds an Honorary Professorship in the Medical School at Warwick University. His research and consultancy interests include: philosophy and mental health; mental health policy, in particular civil, legal and human rights; and commissioning, resource allocation and the ethics of priority setting in health and social care.