

DRN Patient Involvement Conference, 4th December 2008 - Selected Event Feedback

- If this was the first, it was excellent
- Interesting to see what people do, to see their enthusiasm
- Eleanor's talk very interesting – pity not enough time for more questions
- Eleanor's talk best of the day – well done, Eleanor!
- Derek superb motivational speaker and role model
- Lots to think about - so many different views
- Insufficient time for workshops
- Groups too large – some dominated discussions
- Useful moving tables to meet new people and their opinions
- Previous research meetings intimidating - in contrast, this more beneficial, good mix of people
- Very interesting to meet people from different disciplines
- Quite good, but liked to meet more people
- More about the processes to get involved in - from funding to research topic - training for researchers in PPI
- Good to hear from those involved that they had little experience, but wanted to change things - now confident in their roles
- More breakdown, information about current/potential research impact
- More about side effects of medication and how to handle side effects
- I thought the whole day's programme was good and back-up, facilities and food good
- More individual examples of PPI rather than who is on which group
- I feel less cynical about PPI, hearing how it can work in practice, definitely not a government 'tick box' exercise
- Good programme, useful to meet so many people, although confused by so many doing so many different things
- World Cafe idea very good, but time constraints limited discussions - more time would have meant more ideas
- Especially liked the movement, and having facilitators built in
- World Cafe Event weak - suggest open space model, time too short
- World Cafe Event – some people strayed from the topics and wasted some of the time
- Have researchers present to put their views forward next time
- Excellent use of microphones, vital for hard-of-hearing
- PPI staff from all regions to be involved next time
- An excellent event - it was a privilege to be there
- I found the whole event very interesting
- Difficult to improve on this for next event. Speakers excellent (particularly Derek Stewart). Good to meet colleagues from other networks. A well organised event.