



QOLIVET C2 - Training Event Schedule

Venue: Porto, Portugal

QOL as a programme impact: Building the capacity of organizations and staff to enhance quality of life outcomes

This training event will take place over three days. Times are presented in local time.

Day 1: Monday	27 th June	9:30 – 16:00 (WET)
Day 2: Tuesday	28 th June	9:30 – 16:00 (WET)
Day 3: Wednesday	29 th June	9:30 – 16:00 (WET)

The working language of the course is English.

Course Description

The focus of the QOLIVET project (Quality of Life Impact of Care, Education and Training) is upon the ways in which participation in community care and vocational education and training (VET) programs can enhance the quality of life of persons with disabilities and how the effectiveness of programmes and delivery mechanisms can be monitored and improved.

QOLIVET will be of interest to anyone working in, or receiving, services, across the spectrum, from community care, independent living and rehabilitation to services focused on developing pre-vocational and vocational knowledge and skills.

Participants:

The intended participants are staff who will support the project by recruiting and supporting both colleagues and participants to complete and evaluate the QOL Impact Assessment Tool or who will coordinate the field test process. Consequently, they will be recruited from relevant operational and functional leaders and selected frontline staff. They can include Programme Development Specialists, Quality Assurance Staff, Community Support Staff, Training Professionals, Disability Advocates, Team Leaders, Allied Health Professionals, Adult Basic Education Teachers and Lifelong Learning Coordinators.

Course Aim

The C2 training event aims at linking the production of the final draft versions of the Good Practice Guide and the Online Training Course with subsequent activities. The training event is intended to

- Gather the views of participants on the Good Practice Guidelines and Online Training Course prior to the launch of the final versions
- Orient participants to the value of the Good Practice Portal as a resource for them during the field test of the Online Quality of Life Impact Assessment Tool
- Alert participants to the procedures for completing the tool, its accessibility features and how to appropriately support respondents without contaminating results
- Equip participants with the requisite knowledge, skills and attitudes to act as champions and mentors for inclusive programming within their organisations and with peers within the wider sector.

Learning Objectives



On completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Promote good practice in inclusive programming and enhancing quality of life outcomes to colleagues within their own organisations and in the wider sector
- Provide advice on inclusive mechanisms and accessibility to their peers and signpost useful resources through the Good Practice Portal and Online Training Course where required
- Recruit and support staff and participants to complete the Online Quality of Life Assessment Tool
- Participate effectively as part of the implementation team, contributing to the dissemination plan and to the improvement of the Good Practices Portal
- Act as champions and mentors for the integration of quality of life and inclusive strategies in community services and VET

Specifically, they will be prepared to:

- Engage with the review and revision of the Good Practice Portal
- Carry out a reliable and systematic field test of the QOL Assessment Tool
- Use the Good Practice Guide and the Online Training Course as resources
- Act as champions for more inclusive community services and VET
- Mentor other managers and staff who are interested in implementing the QOLIVET principles, policies and practices
- Engage in skilled in persuasive communication
- Deal with contexts and relationships where inequalities of power are present
- Ensure that participants are offered an opportunity to express their genuine opinions without fear or anxiety.
- Advise on the assessment administration procedures
- Assist in deciding on the most appropriate accessibility features for a respondent
- Explain the reasons why assessing quality of life impact is important for programme improvement.



Structure and Content

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DAY 1 Monday, 27th June 2022		
Kick-off	09:30 – 09:45	Welcome CRPG
Plenary	09:45 – 10:30	Plenary session: aims of the event/ discussion/ questions Donal McAnaney
Session 01 (S01)	10:30 – 11:15	Inclusive Strategies for Program Design and Delivery: Principles and Good Practice (Good Practice Guidelines) Facilitator: Phil Smith
	11:15 – 11:30	Break
Session 01 (S01)	11:30 – 12:30	Inclusive Strategies for Program Design and Delivery: Principles and Good Practice (Good Practice Guidelines) Facilitator: Phil Smith
Plenary S01	12:30 – 13:00	Group discussion/ Findings: What are the most persuasive arguments in favour of adopting QOL as an outcome indicator? Facilitator: Donal McAnaney
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
Session 02 (S02)	14:00 – 15:30	Recalibration the dissemination plan: Key messages and media (including the QOLIVET portal) Facilitator: Benedetta Pesce – Stavros Ladas
Plenary S02	15:30 – 16:00	Group discussion/ Findings: Feedback and suggestions for better dissemination and revision of the Good Practice Portal Facilitator: Donal McAnaney

DAY 2 Tuesday, 28th June 2022		
Session 03 (S03)	09:30 – 10:15	Challenges and responses to assessing QOL impact The importance of perceptions in programme evaluation Facilitator: Donal McAnaney
Session 04 (S04)	10:15 – 11:00	Introduction to the QIAT Facilitators: Stavros Ladas and Donal McAnaney
	11:00 - 11:15	Break
Plenary S04	11:15 - 12:00	Participants complete the QIAT and provide feedback Facilitator: Donal McAnaney
Session 05 (S05)	12:00 – 13:00	Group Work - Using QIAT results to identify strengths and areas for improvement Facilitator: Antonio Rilho
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break



Session 06 (S06)	14:00 - 15:30	Review of the structure and content of the QIAT Facilitator: Donal McAnaney
Plenary S06	15:30 – 16:00	Group discussion/ Findings Facilitator: Stavros Ladas

DAY 3 Wednesday, 29th June 2022		
Session 07 (S07)	09:30 – 11:15	Group Work - Reviewing the online training content
	11:15 – 11:30	Break
Plenary S07	11:30 – 12:00	Group discussion/ Findings Facilitator: Donal McAnaney
Session 08 (S08)	12:00 – 13:00	Reviewing the format and the structure of the online training course
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
Plenary S08	14:00 – 15:15	Feedback on the QOLIVET online training course
Closing session	15:15 – 16:00	Main conclusions and further steps Donal McAnaney

