



What has happened to date?

In 2024, we worked with a wide group of enthusiastic people to develop [this champions scheme](#), which supports our ambitions to improve health outcomes for [Inclusion health groups](#). We designed a Champion role for staff and volunteers (from all sectors), who are passionate about being a part of this change. Initially we launched the scheme in East Riding to support the East Riding Inclusion Groups Programme.

It has now been almost a year since we launched, and we have had many new champions join us on this brilliant journey. To date our champions have shared good practice, formed connections that extend into practice, supported the development of the Inclusion Health Awareness Session and contributed valuable insights to the Inclusion Health Needs Assessment for East Riding.

What is happening next and why?

We have some good news to share, that we have agreed with the East Riding Inclusion Groups Programme that we will open the scheme to colleagues across Humber and North Yorkshire (HNY) ICB. There are several key benefits to doing this:

- Expanding will increase the number of champions, bringing a broader range of experience and perspectives from all HNY places, and to draw on valuable resources already produced by other areas.
- We will have greater opportunities to share best practice and foster partnerships across different localities.
- The wider geographical scope will better reflect many of your roles, as several champions already work across areas beyond East Riding.

What are the benefits of being a champion?

This is a fantastic opportunity for staff to **develop their skills and knowledge** about inclusion health best practice, and to **act as part of a network of people who will drive change**. You will have access to a range of **training & events and resources** to support you on your journey as a champion, alongside **optional opportunities to get involved with various projects and initiatives**.

Where can I sign up or find out more?

You can find out more about the role and sign up on our webpage:

<https://tinyurl.com/inclusionhealthchampions>. [This link](#) will also take you directly to the brief sign-up form. If you have any questions, please contact tess.owen@nhs.net.

Please support us by cascading this information through your networks and promote the opportunity with your colleagues across HNY.