ARC NI - NETWORKS 2024/25

ARC NI facilitates a number of networks which provide opportunities to meet with peers and relevant stakeholders, share information in a safe and respectful forum with a view to agree collaborative action to achieve real change.

Adult Safeguarding Champion's (ASC) Network[1]

Established in 2017, ARC NI facilitates this peer support network to build the capacity of organisations and specifically Champions to meet the requirements of the regional safeguarding policy. In a shared safe space, peer ASC's meet to discuss policy, procedure and practice. DoH Policy has a standing agenda slot to update on progress relating to the Adult Protection Bill.

Minimisation of Restrictive Practice Peer Network[2]

Established in 2024, ARC NI facilitates this peer support network for the identified Director /Senior Manager is responsible for articulating the organisational vision and strategy to minimise the use of restrictive practices across all services. In a shared safe space, peers meet to discuss policy, procedure and practice.

Registered Managers Network[3]

Established in 2018, ARC NI facilitates this peer support network in recognition of the responsibilities a Registered Manager carries. The network discusses common operational challenges, explores solutions and shares best practice with a view of offering additional support to the Registered Manager role.

RQIA & ARC NI Executive Exchange

Established in 2004, ARC NI facilitates Registered Providers of Regulated services to meet with the CEO and Senior Inspectors within RQIA. This meeting provides a safe space to discuss strategic challenges and opportunities for collaboration to better improve the services and supports to people.

Senior Managers Think Tank

Established in 2006, ARC NI facilitates a safe space for leaders to share news and views in relation to policy development required to enable high quality support for people with a learning disability; whilst also thinking outside the box in managing the organisational change required to deliver on personal outcomes for the people we support.

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[1] There is an additional cost, outside of the ARC NI membership fee, to join this group
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Supporting People & ARC NI Executive Exchange

Established in 2024, ARC NI facilitates providers of Supported Living funded by the Supporting People Programme to meet with Senior decision makers within NIHE. This meeting provides a safe space to discuss strategic challenges and opportunities for collaboration to better improve the services and supports to people.

Workforce Development Group

Established in 2008 ARC NI facilitates a safe space which affords opportunities for managers, HR professionals and trainers to meet. The group discusses internal issues affecting their organisation's workforce and external legislation, policy and guidance that affects employment and social care staff.

ARC NI NETWORK MEETINGS 2025-2026

Adult Safeguarding Champion Network (Wednesday, 10am – 12.00 pm)

- 25 June 2025
- 22 October 2025
- 11 March 2026

Minimisation of Restrictive Practice Peer Network (Wednesday 10.00am-12.00pm)

- 14 May 2025
- 12 November 2025
- 4 February 2026

Registered Manager Network (Tuesday, 10.00am – 12.00pm)

- 3 June 2025
- 14 October 2025
- 3 February 2026

RQIA & ARC Executive Exchange (Monday, 11am-12.30pm)

- 19 May 2025
- 3 November 2025

Senior Managers Think Tank (Thursday, 10.00 am – 12.00 pm)

- 8 May 2025
- 18 September 2025
- 19 February 2026

Supporting People & ARC Executive Exchange (Thursday 9.30 – 11am)

- 11 September 2025
- 12 February 2026

Workforce Development Group (Tuesday, 10.00am – 12.00pm)

- 17 June 2025
- 11 November 2025
- 3 March 2026