

RCSLT Professional Development Framework

Discussion Events High Level Outcomes

In June and July 2022, The RCSLT held a series of five discussion events as part of the co-creation of the RCSLT Professional Development Framework. Over 120 members took part and we had some great input, hearing different perspectives from all four UK countries including students, support workers and practitioners at all career levels. Voices were represented from a wide range of sectors and settings including academia, education, independent practice, justice, local authority, NHS, private practice and the third sector. Poll data collected from across all five events told us that:

Participating members would like to see included in the framework:

- Self evaluation (94%)
- A discussion on scope of practice versus level of practice (90%)
- Four Pillars of Practice (85%)

There are a range of opinions about:

- The level of comfort around using the word “capability”
- The inclusion of practitioner health and wellbeing

More discussion is needed on what we call the framework. Current front runners are:

- Learning and Development Framework
- Professional Development Framework
- Career Development Framework

The title “Professional Development Framework” appeared most in the top three choices.