Conference 2005: Future challenges for the Supporting People programme in meeting the needs and aspirations of black and minority ethnic communities

Presented by Lemos&Crane and supported by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

BMESpark’s conference brings together providers and commissioners of Supporting People services from across the country. Delegates will hear about the Government’s plans to support vulnerable people and the role of service commissioners and providers in delivering these plans. Delegates will also learn about practitioners’ effective examples of practice in meeting the housing and related care needs of black and minority ethnic communities.

Keynote speakers

- **Rt Hon Paul Boateng MP**
  - Chief Secretary
  - HM Treasury
  - (Presence is subject to Parliamentary duties)

- **Terrie Alafat**
  - Director of Homelessness and Housing Support, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

- **Atul Patel**
  - Chief Executive, ASRA Greater London Housing Association

Practitioner-led workshops

- **Consulting with black and minority ethnic groups** – Salford City Council’s ‘Moving Beyond One Size Fits All’ guidance
- **Learning to understand the needs of black and minority ethnic service users** – Stonham Housing Association
- **Culturally sensitive services for mainstream providers** – CDS Housing
- **Addressing Audit Commission recommendations** and delivering a strategy to meet diverse needs with limited resources – Luton Borough Council
- **Preventing social exclusion through effective communication** with black and minority ethnic communities – Govanhill Social Inclusion Project (GOSIP)
- **Mental health needs of African Caribbean people** – Kush Housing Association

BMESpark 2005 Awards

Presented at the Conference by the Rt Hon Paul Boateng MP for service innovation for BME communities and examples of good practice from both providers and commissioners of services. To enter visit www.bmespark.org.uk

Date & Time

Thursday 3 March 2005
10am – 4.30pm

Venue

The Conference Centre at Church House*, Westminster
London SW1P 3NZ

Who should attend?

Practitioners and policy makers from Supporting People teams, local authority social services and housing departments, drug action teams, probation, primary care trusts, community and voluntary groups, supported housing and specialist providers of services for black and minority ethnic communities.

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An online resource for those working to meet black and minority ethnic needs for housing and support services. Members access hundreds of pages of searchable briefings on action, research and knowledge about meeting BME needs. Visit www.bmespark.org.uk and follow the registration instructions under ‘Join now’.

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