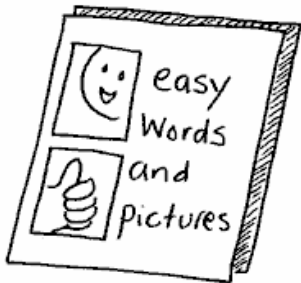


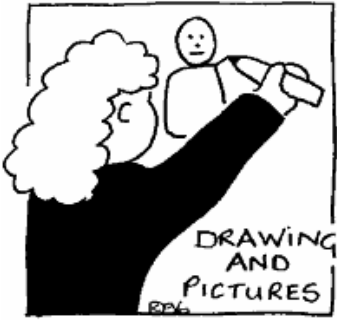
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Things that are important to keep in IPs



- ❖ We like it when staff write things down so that you have a record
- ❖ We like having meetings - the meeting is about you and you only
- ❖ We think meetings are good as we can tell people what we want in life
- ❖ Some people like having meetings at home - meetings need to be held in a place which the person likes
- ❖ We like having people there that we want to be there
- ❖ We like people to listen and then do something





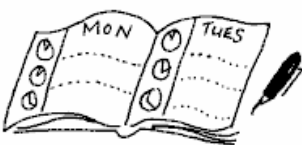
- ❖ We like the idea of having pictures - some of us have pictures already
- ❖ We want to understand everything that is said and we want things explained properly
- ❖ We want people to ask us what we want to talk about before the meeting



- ❖ We want people to talk to us after the meeting to make sure that we understand everything
- ❖ We want people to listen and to understand what we are saying



- ❖ We want anything which helps us to get the ordinary life that we want
- ❖ We want to have the things we want and the decisions written down



- ❖ We want to be able to say when we want a meeting - not to be told when we are having one or that we

are not having one because we are all right just now

Things we do not want

- ❖ We don't like people attending our meetings that we don't like to be there - it's private
- ❖ We do not want to have a co-ordinator that we do not want at our meeting
- ❖ We don't want people telling us what to do in our own home
- ❖ We don't like it when people speak for us when we can do it for ourselves - either staff or parents
- ❖ We do not like it when nothing happens about things which are important to us - we end up not bothering to ask



❖ We do not like it when people stop us from doing what we want to do by using risk assessments which are not person centred

**We want our IPs to be called,
"My Plan"**

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