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Learning from lives and deaths of people with a learning disability and autistic people

Key findings from Derby & Derbyshire Annual Report 2023/24

Key findings about people with a learning disability

GENDER

52% of people with a learning disability who died in 2023/24 were female. There were 63 deaths in total that were reviewed for people with a learning disability in 2023/24.



AGE AT DEATH

The average age at death for people with a learning disability was 60 for men and 61 for women



This is an increase from 2022/23 where the average age of death was 58 for both men and women

ETHNICITY

92% of people with a learning disability who were reviewed in 2023/24 were denoted as White British



LEVEL OF LEARNING DISABILITY

The majority of reviews completed were for individuals with a moderate learning disability



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COVID-19

There had been a decline in Covid deaths since 2020-21 although has been a very slight increase in 2023/24







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LEARNING DISABILITY ANNUAL HEALTH CHECK

46% of people did not have an LD annual health check in the year before their death



Reasons for no Annual Health Check



HEALTH CONDITIONS

Epilepsy and constipation/bowel conditions continue to be one of the top health conditions for people with a learning disability



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Key findings about autistic people with no learning disability

Limited data is included in this section as the numbers are so small and therefore no themes identified or conclusions made at this stage

There were only 2 reviews completed in 2023/24 for autistic people with no learning disability





Both individuals were male



REASON FOR DEATH

Both deaths were investigated by the Coroner

Reasons for death were 1) Suicide 2) Unascertainable

