

**Youth Panel Report**  
**for**  
**Community Engagement Advisory Panel Meeting**  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

The members of the Youth Panel have been busy since the last Community Engagement Advisory Panel Meeting.

Following its meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2008, the Youth Panel wrote to the Surgical Short Stay Group to express interest in helping them review information on surgery. They replied to us to say that they would be very happy for the members of the Youth Panel to be involved.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> February, Alison had a meeting with Tracy Roger from CLIC Sergeant to promote the Youth Panel and to try to recruit more members.

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April, the Youth Panel travelled to Edinburgh to visit the Children's Hospital and to meet the Youth Panel for the New Children's Hospital in Edinburgh. We will be working together in the future to pursue different activities to help with the planning of both of the New Childrens Hospitals.

One of the members of the Youth Panel was involved in a film for the Acquired Brain Injury Trust, which was launched at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Glasgow on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2008.

Alison and another member of the Youth Panel also went to the Royal College of Physicians for the Walk the Talk Conference on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2008, where we attended two sessions on care that adolescents receive in hospital. We both found this to be very useful and hope that the information that we gave will be used in the future.

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2008, some of the Youth Panel members received survey training from Rocket Science. We received training on how to conduct yourself during an interview and how to approach people when asking for an interview. The questions were based on what the Government would like feedback on the subject of adolescent care in hospitals as in-patients and as out-patients and so far 30 interviews have taken place with some very useful information being recorded.



Members of the Youth Panel visited Red Cross House in Irvine alongside the Family Panel on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2007. We found this to be of great interest as we were able to see what has been done there for rehabilitating disabled people into a home of their own and the access that is required to do this.



Alison Cloudsley  
30<sup>th</sup> April 2008