

# ADASS launch new Springboard leadership development programme, in association with Tunstall Healthcare

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The modular programme, designed for Adult Principal Social Workers, aims to identify and help develop the next generation of adult social care leaders, supporting participants in developing their impact and influence, and full leadership potential.

**Speaking of the programme, Cath Roff, ADASS Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Trustee Lead and Trustee Sponsor of the ADASS Springboard Programme, said:**

*"In 2019, we opened our membership to include Principal Social Workers, in recognition of the invaluable work they do locally and nationally to influence better care outcomes for all of us.*

*"The Springboard Programme is a testament to our commitment to empower and develop the next generation of social care leaders.*

*"We hope that this programme will also help tackle the lack of diversity within the sector, fostering the professional development of colleagues from under-represented communities, and support them in becoming those leaders who will shape the future of adult social care."*

The ADASS Springboard Programme will run from May to September 2021, offering blended learning, online coaching, group webinars, and a range of assignments to support participants in building their leadership skills and influence. The programme is open to all Adult Principal Social Workers who are ADASS members and have at least 2 years' experience in the role. Twelve successful candidates across England's nine regions will be selected.

**Gavin Bashar, Managing Director UK & Ireland at Tunstall Healthcare, said:**

*"We are delighted to be supporting this programme, which will help to develop the next generation of care leaders and innovators.*

*"As the social care landscape evolves, during and post COVID, it is vital that we support progression in achieving the best possible outcomes for local communities and individuals.*

*"Effective change relies on leadership, and we are committed to working with our partners to invest in the future of our care system, and those who will be instrumental to its evolution."*