Planning ahead - Timeliness

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"One week waiting for an assessment or a piece of equipment is like a year in most people's lives, because they are an everyday essential to help us live as normal a life as possible and die with dignity"

Liam Dwyer, who is living with MND

Timeliness

- equipment
- home adaptations
- wheelchairs and suitable housing
- support and benefits



Psychological support

- Shock
- Denial
- Fear
- Anger
- Resentment
- Helplessness
- Sadness
- Anxiety or
- Frustration



Who might help?

- Social workers
- Psychologists
- Counsellors
- Faith leaders
- Specialist palliative care services
- You



Further information

- Guide to ADRT MND Association
- Getting it right every time, RCN
- More information can be found at <u>Advanced Care</u>
 <u>Planning</u> on the End of Life resource from the RCN.
- End of life, fundamentals of nursing care resource
- MND Costs
- Paramedics card
- Providing medical evidence for benefit applications made byr people with MND
- <u>Difficult conversations</u> there is a cost for this publication.

