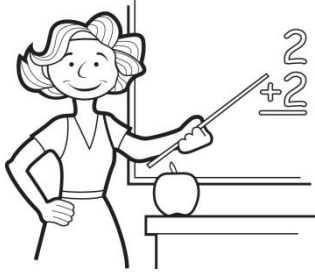


Highlights of the difference we made

Public and third sector partners have a better understanding of how third sector contributions contribute to older people's health, wellbeing



We explained the contribution to RCOP well. Our models were well received.

The landscape has changed and we need to pick out the relevance of our materials for the new health and social care partnerships.

We have drawn out key messages about the third sector, its role, values and principles underlying the approach.

Third Sector organisations have increased third sector skills and capacity to evidence their work



We increased the skills of those who took part.

We provided tools and materials for others to use.

We need to disseminate the materials more.

We have identified key messages around evaluation.

Third sector partners have and use evidence to improve services for older people



We have substantially built the evidence base around the value of third sector interventions in health and social care (though not for every third sector type of intervention).

We have examples of people using our materials to influence policy.

We have examples of people using evaluation to improve services.

We have learnt a lot about how commissioners use evidence in decision-making, but we have more to learn.

Policy makers and funders have increased confidence to engage with the third sector in relation to older people's care.



Our initial scoping suggested that confidence in the third sector was not the issue, rather it was evidence to support their decisions to fund Third sector organisations.

We have however built collaboration between the third and statutory sectors and between third sector organisations.