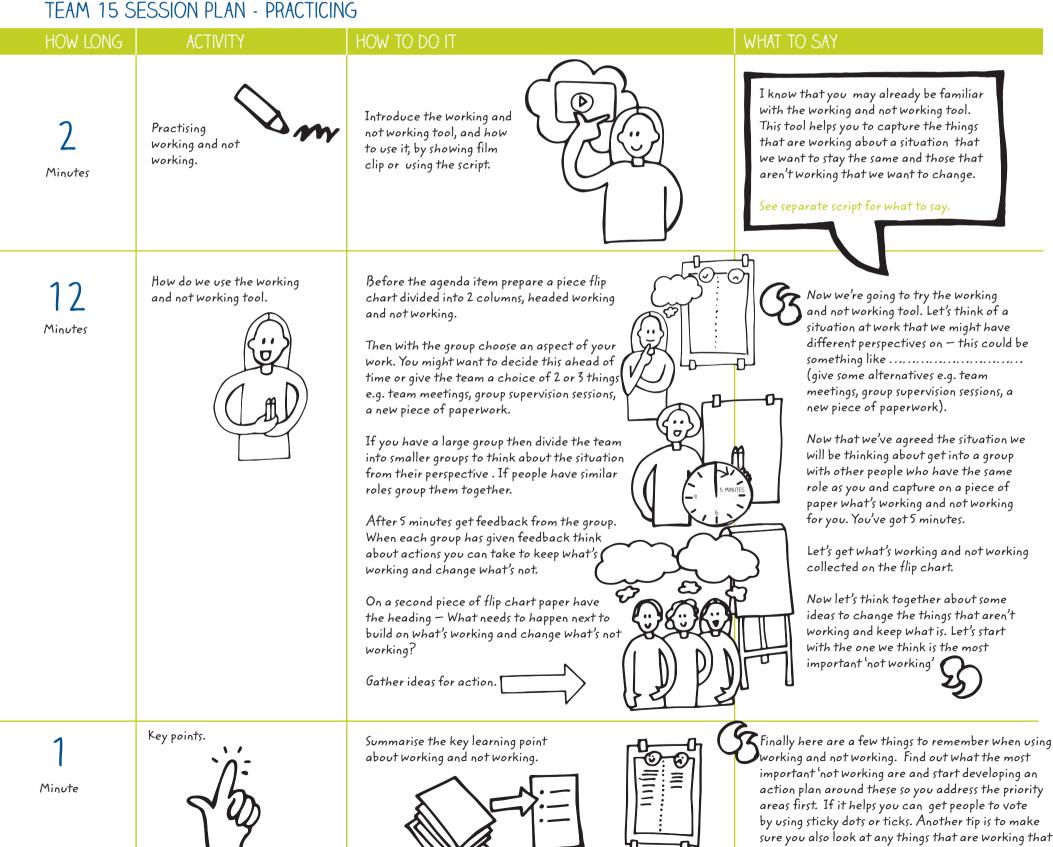


# TEAM 15 • WORKING AND NOT WORKING

### AGENDA ITEM

## TIME OUTCOME PLEASE COME PREPARED We have practiced Read pages 14 - 16 in the 'Key completing the what's 15 minutes Points and Top Tips booklet! working and not working tool. Practicing working and not working - how well do you know your person-centred thinking tools?



need actions to keep them happening. Finally don't forget the other person-centred thinking tools that

can help you to change what's not working.

#### WHAT TO SAY

I know that you may already be familiar with the working and not working tool. This tool helps you to capture the things that are working about a situation that we want to stay the same and those that aren't working that we want to change.

Working and not working looks at a situation from different perspectives so that whilst the person's perspective is central we make sure everyone's voice is heard. The beauty of having the working column is that it also enables us to discover and celebrate what is working.

The working and not working tool works best when everyone works together so that the perspective of everyone involved is captured and then any actions can be decided as a group. The person may need some support to think things through from their own perspective.

If you are using this as a team then make sure that as many members of the team are involved as possible. You will also need to think about a way of getting the perspectives of those who aren't there or check out your best guesses with them.

Sometimes people associate not working with doing something wrong but this isn't the case. Not working is designed to identify the things that need to change or things that have been tried and aren't suitable for the individual.

When using the working and not working tool you should always start with looking at the situation from the person's perspective and what they want to happen. If you're best guessing on behalf of someone you must make sure you check out your assumptions with people who know the person well before taking actions.

If you are facilitating the meeting it is important to create an atmosphere where everyone feels they can be honest and express how they feel. Make sure everyone is listened to, start with common ground and record all perspectives and don't take sides.

