Yes / no / maybe?

Communicating bodily autonomy and consent to intimacy through dance and expressive arts



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BACKGROUND





Different forms of intimacy

Barriers to communication

- e.g. aphasia, embarrassment, taboo

Presumed lack of mental capacity

- subjective professional judgements(?)

THEORY



Dance:

a direct expression and experience of oneself through body language

PROPOSAL

Empowerment through educational toolkit to improve knowledge, confidence, and expression of desires



Co-designed by people living with brain injury and other types of disability

NEXT STEPS



Seeking partner organisations

Co-creation workshop series

Pilot testing study materials



Draft funding application (submit Sept 2025)

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