

**RWPN Rehabilitation Worker Scottish Conference**

**September 19th 2019**

**Scottish War Blinded Hawkhead Centre, Paisley**

9.30 **Coffee and Tea**

10.15 **Welcome and Opening Remarks:** Rebecca Barr, Head of SWB & Simon Labbett, Chair of RWPN

10.25 **Rehabilitation in the Policy Context of See Hear**

Jonathan Reid, The Alliance

10.45 **Wheelchair Mobility – introductory comments**

Angie Bisson Royal Blind School

11.00 - 11.20  Coffee break

11.20 - 12.20  Workshops **(choose one from three)**

1. **Wheelchair Mobility – Rehab and how to work with VI wheelchair users and importance of promoting independence to aid orientation - a practical session**. Angie Bisson, Royal Blind School (places will be limited)
2. **Accessible tech with sightloss** – Triple Tap Tech’s experts will guide you through some of the vast range of digital devices and apps that can be very helpful to people with visual impairment
3. **Charles Bonnet Syndrome** – Judith Potts, Esme’s Umbrella

12.20 - 13.30 Lunch

(optional session **13.00-13.30** – **Exploring the support needs of former GCU students in professional practice**. Katrina Campbell, Scottish War Blinded and GCU tutor)

13.30 -14.30 Repeat of morning workshops (**choose one of the remaining two from the list above)**

14.40 **Emotional Support and Sight loss – exploring the role of Rehab Officers in the process** - Mhairi Thurston, Programme Leader for MSc Counselling, Abertay University

15.20 **Ensuring a future for the profession in Scotland. What we will do/what you need to do** - Simon Labbett & Norma Baillie RWPN

15.35 Close