

Digital information tailored to people with disabilities

With the digital information board

Services, a weekly menu, or a football pool. All information you can display on a digital information board. But what exactly are the benefits of such a digital information board? What do you need to consider? And what are the requirements for the organization? You'll find all that in this fact sheet. Read our experiences at the Polenstraat location and learn more.

Why is it important?

We all use information.

Information we can easily access online, on our phones or computers. People with disabilities also have this need. The MijnEigenPlan digital information board meets this need. It empowers people with disabilities to be more independent, resulting in a more fulfilling life.



The information board yields on the Polen Street spacious an extra hour time per week per employee.



'The pictures on the board help me remember the information better.'

- Client -

Benefits for clients:



- ✓ Clients can look up information themselves, for example "who is working tonight?" or "what are we eating today?".
- ✓ Clients can register and unregister for activities themselves. They do not need to no longer have to ask that of an employee.
- ✓ Clients meet each other at the board: it creates connection.
- ✓ The pictures and photos add to the atmosphere.
- ✓ The board provides clarity and overview.

Benefits for employees:



Time saving because clients can now find the answers on the board themselves.



This means more time for other activities. For example, a chat with a client or colleague. How are you? Or to go outside with a client or participate in a group activity.



Less administration: employees no longer have to keep a list.

For example, about who's joining us for dinner. This can now be done digitally.



Relief of the workload.



Fewer ad-hoc interruptions (questions). This results in more uninterrupted quality time with the client.



Easy information sharing for the entire group.



I find it helpful that the board provides an overview. It saves a lot of paperwork and the risk of losing it.

- Colleague -

Benefits for loved ones:



Family members can access the client's personal schedule. This makes it easier to find starting points for a conversation.



The location can share the news pages with relatives, if desired.



Lessons learned & tips for other locations

- Work with clients to complete the board
focus. Listen to them. Decide together what you consider important to include in the edge.
- Take your time and explain clearly to clients and employees how the screen works.
- Use large letters for people who have difficulty to be able to see.
- Use pictograms or enable speech for people who have difficulty reading.
- Use pictograms or pictures for people who cannot hear (in addition to using speech).

Think carefully about what you depict on the board. Keep it simple. It's about the information.

Only then add extras such as themes and to colour.

- Take people in wheelchairs into account when placing the sign.
- Connect with current events. For example, create a football pool for the European Championship. Or a beautiful memorial page (in memoriam) after the passing of a client.



For example, clients commented: "The sign depicted movie night with a bowl of popcorn. But there was no popcorn at all." Fortunately, the icons on the sign can easily be customized.

- Colleague -

Also important...

- Enthusiastic employees who take responsibility for using the board.
- Managers/directors who are willing to allocate sufficient funding.
- Regularly evaluate the board's use with both clients and employees.

Include the board's depreciation costs in the cost overview.

- After purchasing the board, reserve some employee time to ensure its proper use.
- Actively inform new clients and employees upon arrival.

How much money does it cost you as an organization?



Costs

Revenues

Purchase	€ 3.502,00
Annual depreciation	€ 700,00
Annual subscription	€ 725,00

Startup costs:

Instructions and installation	Included in purchase		
Employee time investment	€ 1.500,00	Employee time savings*	€ 5.200,00
Investment 1st year	€ 2.925,00	Result 1st year	€ 2.275,00
Investment year 2 to 5	€ 1.425,00	Results year 2 to 5	€ 3.775,00

* Time savings are per year, based on 30 minutes per week with a team of 8 employees and an average hourly wage.



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