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Dear friend,

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**The VOICE Youth Event (Age Group: 16-30)**

The Park Inn Hotel, Forgegate, Town Centre, Telford, TF3 4NE. 9th-11th April 2010

**Closing date for applications: Wednesday 3rd March**

As part of the Brittle Bone Society's commitment to remaining a 'member centred society', one of our key aims is to provide services for all our members.

The launch of our Youth Pilot Project - VOICE - is the first step in what we hope will be a series of projects aimed at reaching out to and connecting with our members in the 16-30 age range.

This event will cover a variety of topics associated with 'preparation for independent living', and we are certain that it will prove immensely popular. We anticipate that this will become a regular fixture in the Brittle Bone Society's calendar of events.

Please see the attached notes detailing some of the guest speakers and experts lined up to attend the VOICE event, and check our website for updates as we confirm last minute details as the event approaches. A full list of Trustees, staff and volunteer facilitators involved in the planning of - and agenda for - our event will also be posted online.

Please pledge your support to this campaign, and help us to ensure that we give our young members a VOICE.

If you are between the ages of 16 and 30, then do not delay! Complete the enclosed application form and return it to our headquarters. (You can also download this information and application form online at [www.brittlebone.org](http://www.brittlebone.org)).

We will use a fair and straightforward process to help us select a representative range of applicants to take part in the Pilot of the Youth VOICE Event. The outcome of this event will help shape any future gatherings.

Watch out for our next Newsletter - in March - which will contain more news, as well as updates on our Annual Conference and AGM, which is planned for the weekend of the 25th and 26th September 2010. There will also be a chance to learn about our plans for a 'Teens' Project for those in the 12-16 year-old age range.

This pack contains all the information currently available on our VOICE weekend, you will also find these details and regular updates on our website. If you need any further help, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Osborne  
Chief Executive  
Brittle Bone Society