



Brent Children & Families Information Service

**Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ
Tel: 0208 937 3001**

Special Needs Services

www.brent.gov.uk/childcare

0 to 25

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**Call Brent CFIS on 020 8937 3001 for up to date information
Open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday**

I am worried about my child's development – what can I do?

Many children will have special educational needs at some time during their education.

For most of them this will be a short-term need that can be met through the expertise and resources of their nursery, school or college, or with advice and support from outside professionals.

Very few children will have needs that are long-term or a disability or medical condition that significantly affects their learning. In these cases an education, health and care plan may be required.

What are special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)?

Children and young people with SEND have learning difficulties or disabilities that make it harder for them to learn than most other children and young people of the same age.

Children may have additional needs if they have difficulties with:

- reading, writing, number work or understanding information
- expressing themselves or understanding what others are saying
- making friends or relating to adults
- understanding and following rules and routines
- organising themselves
- a medical condition which impedes learning
- a sensory or physical need which may affect them in school.

Who can I talk to about my concerns?

It is very important that children with SEND are identified as early as possible to ensure they start to get the support they need. If you're worried about your child you should talk to their class teacher or the school's special educational needs coordinator (SENCO).

All schools must have a SENCO who is responsible for arranging and co-ordinating extra help for pupils with SEND. In small schools the head teacher may also take on this role. Early Years settings will also have a SENCO and in childminder settings the childminder is also the coordinator of SEND support.

If your child is in an early years setting (nursery), you should talk to the staff there or another professional such as a health visitor or GP. They will be able to find out if your child's difficulties are those that might be expected, or whether they may have special educational needs that require extra support. Your doctor, school or healthcare professional can also refer your child to be assessed.

However, if you feel your child requires further help, you can request an assessment of your child's needs which is managed by the Special Educational Needs and Assessment Service (SENAS).

Contact: SENAS
Address: Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ
Tel: 020 8937 3229
Email: sen.assessments@brent.gov.uk
Website: www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer

Brent Local Offer

Brent's Local Offer is a directory of services and support for children young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

What is the Local Offer?

Brent Local offer sets out the services we provide for children, young people and adults up to the age of 25 with special needs and disabilities (SEND). It aims to give families clear and easy-to-understand information all in one place, to help you make informed choices about what support is right.

Who is it for?

- Parent and carers
- Children, young people and adults up to 25 years old
- Families
- Individuals, professionals and organisations working with children and young people with SEND

How can I access the Local Offer?

Simply type www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer into the web browser of your mobile phone, desktop PC or tablet. If you don't have internet access staff in Brent libraries and children's centres will be able to help you use the site.

Need further help and advice about send?

Brent Parent Care Forum aims to give parents and carers a voice in how services for children and young people with SEND, aged 0 - 25, are shaped and delivered locally, as well as an opportunity to come together and talk in a relaxed atmosphere.

Tel: 07956 499 300 web: www.brentpcf.org

Brent Carers Centre

Brent Carers Centre offer carers of all ages an extensive range of support and information to help improve their lives and assist them in their role. The centre's fully trained advice workers have sound knowledge of the services and support that are available to you as a carer and can provide a wide range of information about what you may be entitled to. They can also make referrals to other specialist provision on your behalf.

Tel: 0208 795 6240 web: www.brentcarerscentre.org.uk

Brent Special Educational Needs Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) is for all parents/carers of children who have, or may have special educational needs (SEN). The offer provides impartial and confidential advice, separate from the council, covering educational matters, social care and health entitlement. SENDIASS can also help you if you want to apply for an Education Health and Care Plan, if you need help with understanding how the assessment process works or any other query about your child's special educational needs or disability.

Brent SENDIASS can provide support by attending meetings with you, by helping you write reports and letters and linking you to local support groups.

Contact: Brent SENDIASS Service
Address: Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ

Tel: 020 8937 3434
Email: sendias@brent.gov.uk
Website: www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer (type SENDIASS in the search box)

Carer's assessment

If you are looking after a disabled child or an adult, you may be entitled to a 'Carer's Assessment'. This may or may not be done at the same time by the person who assesses your son or daughter. The assessment is a chance to discuss what help you can get. You can be assessed as a carer even if the disabled person you care for does not wish to be assessed. You can get more information about Carer's Assessments from Carers UK, www.carersuk.org.

You can contact Brent Council for further information

Contact:

Contact number **Brent Family Front Door**

Address: **Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA90FJ**

Tel: **020 8937 4300**

Email **family.frontdoor@brent.gcsx.gov.uk**

Supporting children with additional needs

Early support any child aged 0 to 5 years who has additional needs or a disability and who has 4 or more professionals involved will be eligible for early support. This support will provide you with an allocated key worker who will be the single point of contact between you and other professionals. Early Support offers a term around the family approach which brings key professionals together to discuss the needs of your child ensuring that you are at the heart of decision making about next steps for your family. You should ask one of the professionals with whom you are working (e.g. your speech and language therapist, children's centre practitioner or physiotherapist) to complete the family CAF (Common Assessment Form) with you to apply for Early Support.

Partly funded places if you child has additional needs they may also qualify for partly funded nursery places – application can be made through the nursery panel and details of this can be found at www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer. You should ask the professional with whom you are working (e.g. your health visitor, GP, or children's centre practitioner) to complete an Early Help Assessment with you to apply to this panel.

Children who are looked after or who are subject to child protection or children in need plans may also be able to access funded nursery places. Please contact your social worker for further information.

Early Help Assessment (EHA)

The EHA provides a common approach, common language and a holistic assessment of the family's needs, which is meaningful to the family because they have been supported to tell their story and have worked in partnership with professionals to help them achieve their goals. The EHA can be used:

- as a referral to access targeted services from Early Help, which includes the Family Solutions Team

- to assess, plan and review a package of support to meet each family's needs and goals
- to nominate families as part of Brent's Working with Families programme.

The EHA is a tool to assess and coordinate multi-agency support for children and young people with additional needs, and enables us to:

- listen to children, young people and their families to identify their strengths and needs at an early stage
- assess their needs in a holistic way and help the family to set goals
- work in partnership with the family and partner agencies to deliver coordinated services
- review and monitor the family's progress towards achieving their goals.

The process is entirely voluntary and informed consent is required from the parent/carer. The EHA aims to bring together all of the information about children, young people and their families, so that families do not have to repeat the same story to different professionals. Parental consent allows relevant information to be shared between agencies, but families can choose which information they want shared and with which agency.

Help with your childcare costs

Free entitlement to early education (NEG) for 2 year olds www.brent.gov.uk/childcare

Some families with a child aged 2 are eligible for 15 hours free early education. Families may qualify for the grant if the child for whom they are applying has identified additional needs, is looked after, adopted or in care. Other eligibility criteria include:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Universal Credit - if you and your partner are on a low income from work (this usually means a combined income of less than £15,400 a year after tax)
- tax credits and you have an annual income of under £16,190 before tax
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

A child can also get free early education and childcare if any of the following apply:

- they're looked after by a local council
- they have a current statement of **special education needs (SEN)** or an education, health and care (EHC) plan

For further information on the free entitlement please contact Brent Children's and Families Information Service on 0208 937 3010.

Free entitlement to early years education grant (NEG) for 3 and 4 year olds

Free nursery education is available for three and four year olds from the term after the third birthday at all early years settings who are signed up to offer the entitlement. In Brent this includes the majority of private, voluntary independent childcare settings, schools and some childminders.

For further information contact Brent Children and Family Information Service on 020 8937 3010 or visit www.brent.gov.uk/childcare

30 Hours of Free Child Care available for 3 and 4 years olds of working parents

All 3 and 4 years olds are entitled to 15 hours of free childcare and education for the equivalent of 38 weeks per year from the term after their third birthday. Working parents who meet the criteria could be entitled to an extra 15 hours of free early education for their 3 and 4 years olds- 30 hours in total. Families may be eligible if both parents, carers or the sole parent (in a lone parent family) earn on average the equivalent of 16 hours at the national minimum wage or national living wage and each parent earns less than £100,000 per year. You live in England. Parents have the option of using more than one childcare provider.

To apply please apply on line <https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/applynow> or call on 030 0123 4097. If you are eligible you will receive an 11 digit code from the HMRC. You will present this code to the childcare provider/providers of your choice, speak to them to get advice on any potential charges they may include. Please note, families will need to have a valid code in the term before they wish to take up the place. Be aware, if your employment status changes you may lose the additional 15 hours funding. For more information please visit Brent website www.brent.gov.uk/childcare

Tax-Free childcare:

Working parents with children under 12 (under 17 for with disabilities children) can set up an online childcare account to pay their childcare providers directly. For every £8 parents pay in the account Government will add £2, up to a maximum contribution of £2,000 per child, per year (£4,000 per year for disabled children) To qualify parents must be in work and each earning the equivalent of 16 hours per week at the National Minimum or Living wage and not more than £100,000 per parent per year per year. For more information please visit www.gov.uk

Childcare element of working Tax Credits:

Working Tax credit is paid to people in work to top up low wages. Tax credit can include a childcare element, which gives help to parent with registered childcare costs. The childcare element of working tax credit can pay up to 70 % of eligible childcare costs. For more information please visit www.gov.uk website

Employer supported Childcare:

Childcare vouchers and employer-supported childcare. Some employers offer vouchers towards childcare costs for parents, often known as a "salary sacrifice" scheme. You can use the vouchers towards the cost of childcare which is registered or approved or, in some cases, school-based. Please visit www.gov.uk

Discretionary Learning support Fund:

If you're aged 19 or over and studying in a college course, the Discretionary learner Support Fund may be able to help you with a variety of costs, including childcare. The amount of funding available will vary for each college. You can apply for the Discretionary Learner Support Funding at your college. For information contact the National Careers Service on 0800100 900

Care to Learn:

If you are aged under 20 at the start of your course, Care to Learn helps with the costs of your childcare so that you can continue your education or training You can get up to £175 per child per week if you live in London. For more information please visit www.gov.uk/care-to-learn or call helpline 080012108989.

16-19 Bursary Fund:

You could get a bursary to help with education-related costs if you're aged 16 to 19 and in further education. It can be used to pay for things like clothing, books and equipment for your course and transport and lunch on days you study or train. Please visit www.gov.uk

Childcare Grant:

If you are a full-time higher education or PGCE student with dependent children aged under 15 (under 17 if your child is disabled) you may be able to get the childcare Grant through the Students Loan Company for more information please contact Student Finance England on 0300 100 0607 or visit www.gov.uk

The Parents Learning Allowance – for higher education

Full time students could get extra support with course-related costs such as travel, books, equipment and childcare, on top of the childcare Grant (see above). The amount you are awarded will depend on your circumstances. For more information please visit www.gov.uk or contact

Student Finance England

on 0300 100 0607

NHS Childcare Allowance

If you are a health professional student and receive an NHS Bursary, you can apply for help towards your childcare costs through the NHS Childcare Allowance. The NHS childcare Allowance can pay up to 85% of your childcare costs, up to a maximum amount. The amount you receive will depend on your personal circumstances. For more information please contact NHS Student Bursary Helpline on 0300 330 1345

For more information on disability allowance please visit www.gov.uk website

- [Disability Living Allowance](#)
- [Disabled child element of child Tax Credit](#)
- [Carers Allowance](#)
- [Attendance Allowance](#)
- [Employment and Support Allowance](#)
- www.familyfund.org.uk
- [Disabled Facilities Grant](#)

Hmrc.gov.uk: [Maternity & Child Benefit and Tax Credits](#)

Brent Special Education Needs and Disability 0-4 Pathway

<u>Universal</u>	<u>Targeted Service</u>	<u>Specialist Services</u>	
Parental Concern and professionals	Mainstream setting – PVI, childminder or Maintained Nursery	Mainstream Setting – Additional Needs – SEN Support	Specialist Provision ARP or Specialist Nurseries Panel funded or Education Health and Care Plan
<p>Parent has concerns about the CYP progress and can approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GP • Health Visitor • SEND Independent • Advice and Support group (SENDIASS) • Keyworker • SENCO – in Children’s Centre • Information Service (CFIS) • Brent Family Front Door (BFFD) 	<p>Early years Setting Track learning of CYP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early years Foundation stage Development Matters <p>Equality Act 2010</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disability Accessibility • Equality plans <p>Keyworker Checks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sensory and physical needs e.g hearing or visual impairment • Speech and language needs • Communication needs • Social and emotional wellbeing • Progress checks 	<p>Early years setting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENCO • Keyworker <p>Local Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early years Inclusion Team • Brent Outreach Autism Team • Brent Deaf and Hearing Impairment Service • Children with Disabilities Team(0-13) where appropriate • SEND Independent Advice and Support (SENDIASS) • Portage (Prior to attending an early years setting) • Early Support • Parenting programmes for children with SEND • SENCO – In children’s Centre • Family Solutions <p>Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech and language therapy • Occupational therapy • Physiotherapy • Paediatrician 	<p>Local Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children with Disability Team (CWD) (0-13) including CWD OT where appropriate • Early years Inclusion Team • Brent Outreach Team Autism Team (not ARP) • Brent Deaf and Hearing Impaired Service • Brent Visual Impairment Service • SENDIASS (if Appropriate) • Special Education Needs Assessment Service • Education Psychologist ARP, Specialist nursery or PVI nurseries • Very detailed planning and tracking • Individualised programmes in several areas of the curriculum • Increased adult /child support • Delivering provision to support the delivery of outcomes <p>Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Nursing • Physiotherapist • Speech and language therapist • Deification • CAMHS • Paediatrician •

Guide

ACLD Autism, Communication and Associated Learning Difficulties

ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD	Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder
ASD	Autistic Spectrum Disorder
ASP	Asperger syndrome
AUT	Autism
BESD	Behavioural, Emotional and Social Difficulties
EPI	Epilepsy
GLD	General Learning Difficulties
HA	High Ability
HI	Hearing Impairment
LD	Learning Difficulties
MLD	Moderate Hearing Difficulties
MSI	Multi-Sensory Impairment
OCD	Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
PD	Physical Difficulties
PH	Physical Impairment
Phe	Partially Hearing
PMLD	Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties
PNI	Physical Neurological Impairment
SCD	Social and Communication Difficulties
SCLD	Severe to complex Learning Difficulties
SEBN	Social, Emotional and Behavioural Needs
SLD	Severe Language Difficulties
SLI	Specific Language Impairment
SPLD	Specific Learning Difficulties
SP & LD	Speech and Language difficulties
VIS	Visual Impairment

Early Years Health guidelines

Physical Activity in the Early Years

1. Physical activity should be encouraged from birth, particularly through floor-based play and water-based activities in safe environments.
2. Children of pre-school age who are capable of walking unaided should be physically active daily for at least 180 minutes (three hours), spread throughout the day.
3. All under-fives should minimise the amount of time spent being sedentary (being restrained or sitting) for extended periods (except time spent sleeping).

Examples of physical activity that meet the guidelines:

For infants who are not yet walking, physical activity refers to movement of any intensity and may include:

- 'Tummy time' – this includes any time spent on the stomach including rolling and playing on the floor
- Reaching for and grasping objects, pulling, pushing and playing with other people
- 'Parent and baby' swim sessions
- Floor-based and water-based play encourages infants to use their muscles and develop motor skills.
- It also provides valuable opportunities to build social and emotional bonds.

Minimising sedentary behaviour is also important for health and development and may include:

- Reducing time spent in infant carriers or seats
- Reducing time spent in walking aids or baby bouncers (these limit free movement)
- Reducing time spent in front of TV or other screens

What are the benefits of movement?

- Develops motor skills
- Improves cognitive development
- Contributes to a healthy weight
- Enhances bone and muscular development

Supports learning of social skills

For more information please visit NHS website <http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/fitness/Pages/physical-activity-guidelines-for-children.aspx>

0 to 5 Age Group

Parent & Toddlers In Brent area Please contact CFIS for list on 3010 or www.brent.gov.uk/cfis	
1 Voice Community Parent & Toddlers Special needs children's Play group 1voicecommunity@gmail.com Tel: Judy Tel: 07972 253339/0203 5560 983	1Voice helps to relieve the needs living in Brent by provision of support education and practical advice. At: Wembley Primary School Wednesday from 12 to 2pm and also support group along side
D.A.R.E – Saturday Playgroup The Village School Grove Park, Kingsbury, London NW9 0JY	Tunde Alabi @ The Village School on 077218 57224 or daresaturdayplaygroup@gmail.com D.A.R.E – Saturday Playgroup provided by specialized and DBS checked staff, in a safe and purposed built environment for special needs pupils. We cater for PMLD, SLD, MLD and Pupils on the Autistic Spectrum. Some of the activities provided are Cooking, Arts and Crafts, Sensory Stories, Sports, Outdoor Games/Play, Messy play and table top games

	<p>Every Saturday Term – Time Available sessions: Morning session: 9am – 12pm (3 hrs.) Afternoon Session: 12pm – 4pm (4hrs) Full Session: 9am – 4pm (7hrs) Ages: 3 – 19 £11/hr.</p>
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Nurseries

<p>The Willow Children Centre Nursery, Barnhill Road, Wembley London HA9 9YP Tel: 0208 937 6560</p>	<p>Number of places Age Range Special Needs: All enquires are welcome Opening 9 to 6</p>
<p>Curzon Nursery Curzon Crescent, NW10 9SD Tel: 020 8459 6813 Email: admin@curzon.brent.sch.uk</p>	<p>Number of places: 80 Age Range: 3 to 4 Special Needs All enquires are welcome Opening time: 9 to 3</p>
<p>Granville Plus Nursery School Granville Road, NW6 5RA Tel: 0207 604 4620 Email: admin@granvilleplus.brent.sch.uk</p>	<p>Number of places: 50+, Autism Age Under 2 to 5 Age range: 6 months to 4 1/2 Special Needs All enquires are welcome. Opening Time 8 to 6</p>
<p>Fawood Children’s Centre Nursery 35 Fawood Avenue, Harlesden, NW10 8DX</p>	<p>Number of places at the school: 10 Age range: 3-5 This is an additionally resourced provision for children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Tel 020 8965 9334</p>

Children’s Centre

<p>Alperton Children’s Centre Tel:020 8937 3860</p>	<p>0 to 5 years old Activities at the Children’s Centres</p> <p>Health eating support Baby club Baby massage Breastfeeding Support Drop in sessions (stay and play) Speech and language support Support for parents Counselling Support Special needs group with 1 voice Toy library Citizens Advice Bureau Learning Sessions Fun & Craft Activities Family Support Worker Fitness Classes for parents/carers Courses for parents First Aid for Baby & Child Pathway into work and Training Parenting Courses Please contact the Children’s Centre directly or view website www.brent.gov.uk/childcare</p>
<p>Church Lane Children’s Centre Tel:020 8937 3890</p>	
<p>Curzon Crescent Children’s Tel:020 8208 5950</p>	
<p>Fawood Children’s Centre Tel:020 8965 9334</p>	
<p>Granville Plus Children’s Centre Tel:020 8937 6580</p>	
<p>Harmony Children’s Centre Tel:020 8459 9571</p>	
<p>Hope Children’s Centre Tel:020 8937 6490</p>	
<p>Mount Stewart Children Centre Tel:0208 907 5113</p>	
<p>Preston Park Children’s Centre Tel: 020 8 937 5980</p>	
<p>St. Raphael’s Children’s Centre Tel: 020 8937 3620</p>	
<p>Three Trees Children’s Centre Tel: 020 8459 4385</p>	
<p>The Welcome Children’s Centre Tel: 020 8903 9541</p>	
<p>The Willow Children’s Centre Tel: 0208 937 6560</p>	

Treetops Children's Centre Tel :020 8838 3901	
Wembley Children's Centre Tel: 020 8901 9890	
Wykeham Primary Children C Tel: 020 8937 5960	

Choosing a child-minder for your child

All child-minders who care for children under the age of eight must be registered and inspected the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). The child-minder must have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Allow time to choose a child-minder. Make appointments to see at least two and give enough time to talk about all your concerns. If you decide not to visit, please cancel your appointment as the child-minder may have arranged her day to see you. Think about your questions first – some are listed below – and make notes of the answers.

Community Child-minders

The focus of his service is to provide an additional resource for disabled and vulnerable children. It is expected that most placements will be made by social workers working with children and families or with children with a disability. All community child-minders are Quality Assured.

Quality assured child-minders

Brent Children Come First (CCF) child-minding network is a quality assurance scheme for child-minders. Child-minders gain their quality assurance following assessment by their Coordinator and their agreement to monitoring and professional development.

- Brent CFIS advises you to have a written contract with terms and conditions on rates of pay, holiday pay, sick pay, who provides meals, hours of attendance, review date of contract, period of notice to be given etc. Child-minders may prefer not to care for sick children.
- Later changes to the contract must be signed and dated by both of you.
- Contracts are legally binding between the child-minder and parent. You both keep a signed copy.
- If an external agency such as social services is funding the care then the network coordinator will be able to provide you with suitable three way contracts (parents, agency, and child-minder) which have been approved by Brent Legal Services and National Child-minding Association legal advisers.
- If you do not get a contract you will have nothing to support you if you feel that the arrangement is not turning out as you expected.

Child-minders:

Mohini Gadhvana Wembley Priory Gardens, HA0 2QG Tel: 020 8904 0467	Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours Pick and drop from Byron Court & Sudbury School NVQ level 3 Qualified. Opening from 7am to 8pm. Experience of working with a child with complex needs
Najma Raja, Wembley Hillside Avenue HA9 8DY Tel: 020 8903 6070 / 07769323277	Collects from Park Lane, Wembley Primary and Buxlow Schools. Special Needs, Makaton
Nana Isliker, Wembley Honeypot Lane, NW9 9QX Tel: 07958 165122	EpiPen trained Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours. AM & PM service for Roe Green school EpiPen trained

Jamuna Macpherson, Wembley Dagmar Avenue, HA9 8DE Tel: 020 8903 0997/ 07939 415680	CACHE level 3 qualification. Special needs enquiries welcome, Autistic Spectrum training, Makaton. Can only childmind evenings and weekends.
Rifhat Yasin Wembley Wembley Way, HA9 6JJ Tel: 020 8902 3041 / 07903 871545	Wembley Way Experience of working with children with haemophilia and severe allergies, Epi-pen trained, experience of working with children with special needs
Rochelle Rajaratnam, Wembley Napier Road, HA0 4UA Tel: 020 8902 2160	Collects from Barham School
Bhavani Kotecha, Wembley Priory Gardens HA0 2QG Tel: 020 8904 6166	Experience of working with an autistic child
Rekha Solanki Wembley Scarle Road HA0 4SR Tel: 020 902 6902	Attended training “introduction to the role of the SECO’s for Childminders” Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Gita Damayanti Wembley Bassingham Road HA0 4RL Tel: 020 8922 7149	Attended training “introduction to the role of the SENCO’s for childminders” Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Doris Osei-Bimpong Wembley Burnside Crescent HA0 1BL Tel: 020 8902 4912 / 07958288465	Experience of working with a child with Global delay, Speech and language delay Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Natalie Crossley Hirst Crescent HA9 7HL Tel: 020 3113 3074/ 07951 847 872/07572 425 393	Experience of global delay Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Bridget Olorogun King George Crescent HA0 2FG Tel: 0208 782 8855/ 07407437816	Experience of caring for a child with learning difficulties.
Shaheena Ahmad, Kenton Kenton Road HA3 0XS Tel: 020 8907 4337	Languages spoken Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi and English. Experience of working with children in the autistic spectrum. SENCO level 1. Makaton 1 & 2
Susannah Abeyesekera, Harlesden Amery Gardens, NW10 3AH Tel: 020 8965 4301 07979 770660	Experience of working in a disabled school
Dorette Briscoe, Harlesden Gibbons Road, NW10 9BR Tel: 020 8451 3949	Qualifications: Cert. For specialist teaching assistant (STA) CLANSA, Makaton. Has attended autism training. Experience with Downs Syndrome and Autistic Children. Wheelchair access
Mary O’Hara NW10 Harlesden Fortune Gate Road, NW10 9RE Tel: 020 8965 8655	AM & PM service for St Josephs & Leopold Schools, PM service for Curzon Crescent Children’s Centre Experience of caring for an older child with a physical disability and learning delay; experience of working with an autistic child.
Belinda, Young Harlesden Spezia Road, NW10 4QJ Tel: 020 8453 0180 / 07958 173 250	School runs to St Josephs RC & Curzon CCF Network Quality Assured Experience of working with children with physical disabilities; Makaton, has attended autism training.

<p>Linda Amarah Harlesden Mitchellbrook Way NW10 8PE Tel: 07877 451444 020 8965 6464</p>	<p>Experience of Autism or Asperger's. Attended training "introduction to the role of the SENCO's for childminders" Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Maria Afonso Harlesden Woodheyes Road NW10 9DB Tel: 020 8459 1524 07791654651</p>	<p>Attended training "introduction to the role of the SENCO's for childminders" Experience with global delay, downs syndrome, congenital immune deficiency and autistic children. Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Michelle Williams Harlesden St Mary's Road NW10 4AT Tel: 02084 597 427 07951 969 151</p>	<p>Attended training "introduction to the role of the SENCO's for childminders"</p>
<p>Khadija Warsame Harlesden Craven Park NW10 8ST Tel: 020 8961 0703/ 07882 480954</p>	<p>Experience of caring for a child with Downs Syndrome Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Anne-Marie Gardener Harlesden Fleetwood Road NW10 1ND Tel: 020 8450 3951</p>	<p>Experience of caring for children with special needs Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Josephine McManus Harlesden Bramston Road NW10 5TU Tel: 020 8621 1337/ 0753212085</p>	<p>Experience of caring for a child with Downs Syndrome Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Zoraida Simon Gomaz Harlesden St John's Avenue NW10 4EG Tel: 020 8961 3372/ 07983 886270</p>	<p>Experience of working with children with speech and language delay. Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Sarah Leonce Harlesden Holland Road NW10 5AU Tel: 020 8969 9721</p>	<p>Works with another childminder and assistants Experience of working with Williams Syndrome, cochlea implant, of autism and liver disease. Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Jenny Rose Harlesden Holland Road NW10 5AU Tel: 020 8961 0223/ 07401342944</p>	<p>Works with another childminder and assistants. 9 years as an S.E.N officer working in special needs schools with children with autism, developmental, global delay, down syndrome, SENCO Makaton PECs qualified Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Shaheen Parveen Kingsbury Kingsmere Park NW9 8PL Tel: 020 8200 9595</p>	<p>Attended training "introduction to the role of the SENCO's for childminders" Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Hani Noor Kingsbury Airco Close NW9 0NW Tel: 07940 221199</p>	<p>Experience of working with children with global delay Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours</p>
<p>Mavis Tomlinson Kilburn NW9 3DZ Tel: 020 8932 3583 / 07932 406 797</p>	<p>Kilburn</p>

Kathleen Leonard Willesden Buxton Road, NW2 5BJ Tel: 020 8930 2595 / 07946783767	Experience of caring for a child with Cerebral Palsy; training Makaton, speech and language development, Autism and working with children with SEN.
Theresa Swan Willesden Sandringham Road NW2 5ER Tel: 020 8451 2281/ 07905 559150	Experience of caring for a child with Downs Syndrome Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Gifty Quainoo Willesden Review Road NW2 7BG Tel: 020 8208 4401/ 07949 764986	Experience of Downs syndrome Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours
Mary Shanahan Willesden All Souls Avenue NW2 3BS Tel: 020 8965 4844/ 07799 382209	Experience of physical disabilities
Palmer, Elaine Fleetwood Road, NW10 1NL Tel: 020 8452 5822 / 07946 183660	elainep89@hotmail.co.uk Makaton, and autism training
Seema Sharma Wembley Lomond Close, HA0 4HB Tel: 020 8902 6476	Care for children with special needs, she is trained in gastrostomy tube feeding, and has also worked with Autistic children, she currently works at the Village School, so could provide after school and school holiday care.
Safia Ali Kingsbury Kingsbury Road NW9 0BS Tel: 0208-204-9975 07944073554	Attended training “introduction to the role of the SENCO’s for childminders” experience of supporting language delay. Registered NEG free 15 hours
Vanessa James The Avenue HA9 9QH Tel: 0208 904 1986/ 07717144890	Experience of working with children with autism and global delay Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours.
Nosheen Bhandari Kingsbury Ravenscroft Avenue HA9 9TL Tel: 020 8908 6867	Experience of Autism or Asperger’s, hearing impairment, speech and language impairment. Registered for Nursery Education Grant (NEG) free 15 hours

Activities, Services and Support for children with SEND

The full range of activities and support services available for children and families with SEND can be found at www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer . The follow list provides a summary of of this information for families who are not able to access the online offer. For the most current list please email cfis@brent.gov.uk, call or 020 8937 3010 or go to www.brent.gov.uk/localoffer

Other Services

<p>Brent Parent Carer Forum Tel: 07852101492 bpcfadmin@wspld.org</p>	<p>Brent parent carer forum is the newly formed independent parent support group run by and for parents of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), BPCF is supported by charity contact a family and is Brent Council's officially recognised parent forum</p>
<p>The London Centre For Children with Cerebral Palsy 143 Coppetts Road, London N10 1JP Tel: 0208 444 7242 www.cplondon.org.uk</p>	<p>The London Centre for Children with Cerebral Palsy is only London based centre and primary school for children living with cerebral palsy and associated motor disorders. We run groups and individual conductive Education sessions for babies, toddlers and young people (up to 16) with cerebral palsy development disorders such as dyspraxia and other motor disorders. We also run sessions for toddlers with down's syndrome. Groups for children aged 0-3 are free of charge. For older children whose parents are in financial needs, we offer support to apply for grants to cover the cost of our sessional services.</p>
<p>Kids Making it Personal Tel: 0208 937 2496/0795094299 www.kids.org.uk</p>	<p>KIDS works with disabled children, young people and their families. As part of the 'Making it Personal:2' project, sponsored by the Department for Education, KIDS has worked with a number of partners to develop a new suite of resources to explore how personal budgets and the local offer will benefit families Disabled children and their families now have access to a Local Offer and new Education, Health and Care plans, to make life easier.</p>
<p>Brent Sensory Support Service Tel: 0208 937 3254</p>	<p>Brent Sensory Support Service is made up of two teams – the Brent Deaf and Hearing Impaired Service (BDHIS) and the Brent Visual Impairment Service (BVIS). We have teachers with specialist hearing or visual impairment qualifications as well as a range of other staff including a British sign language tutor and a mobility and independence officer. We also train teaching assistance in Schools and other settings. Both service help children from birth to 10 years old, offering a range of advice, training and support, whilst working in partnership with parents/carers, teachers support staff.</p>
<p>Brent Early Years Inclusion Team Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley HA9 0FJ Tel: 0208 937 5828 hatty.besley@brent.gov.uk</p>	<p>The Brent years Inclusion Support Team works with private voluntary and independent (PVI) nurseries, schools and childminders across Brent supporting the inclusion of young children up to the age of five who have a range of special educational needs and</p>

	disabilities (SEND) that may be affecting their learning and progress.
Brent Speech and Language Therapy Service Willesden Centre for Health and Care Robson Avenue NW10 3RY Tel: 0208 795 6664	This service offers assessment and treatment for children who have communication difficulties.
Brent Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Service Willesden Centre for Health and Care Robson Avenue NW10 3RY Tel: 0208 795 6664	This is a specialist NHS service for children and young people from birth to 19 years old. The therapists work as part of a multi-disciplinary team, providing assessment and treatment through the use of specifically selected activities, and liaising closely with families, carers and schools.
Brent Carers 1126 Chaplin Road Wembley HA0 4UZ Tel: 0208 795 6240	Brent Carers is a charity whose aim is to improve the lives of carers in Brent. We offer a confidential support information and advice service in a number of different ways. This includes providing impartial and independent support with education, health and care (EHC) plans for families with children and young people, up to the age of 25, with SEND
Oral Health Promotion 116 Chaplin Road Wembley HA0 4UZ Tel: 0208 795 6379	The role of an oral health promoter is to deliver better oral health to various groups.
Brent Community Service- Community Paediatrics Tel: Tel 0208 8756379	The team is responsible for arrange clinical assessment following a referral from GP or health care professional for children aged 0 to 5 years of age.

5 to 16 Age Group

Schools

Manor Special School Headteacher: Ms Jane Jardine Address: Chamberlayne Road, Kensal Rise, London, NW10 3NT Tel: 020 8968 3160 Fax: 020 8968 3075 Email: admin@manor.brent.sch.uk Age range: 4 to 11	Special school
Vernon House School Headteacher: Jude Towell, Address: Drury Way, London, NW10 0NQ Tel: 0208 451 6961 Email: admin@vernonhouse.brent.sch.uk	Vernon House is a special school for children who have Social, Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties. Admits children from 4 to 11 years of age
The Village School Headteacher: Mrs K Charles Address: Grove Park, London NW9 0JY Tel: 020 8204 5396 Email: office@tvs.brent.sch.uk	Number of places at School - 208 Age range: 2-19 Special school for reception to sixth form, with complex physical, medical needs and a range of communication, learning and sensory needs.

<p>Phoenix Arch School Headteacher: Judith Ann Towell Age range: 5-11 Address: Drury Way, Neasden, London, NW10 0NQ Tel: 020 8451 6961 Fax: 020 8830 1352 Email: admin@VERNON.brent.sch.uk</p>	<p>For pupils with Emotional Behavioural Difficulties (EBD) and additional provision for Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) pupils Special school for primary aged children with complex behaviour, emotional and social difficulties. The Phoenix Arch seeks to provide a caring, safeguarded and learning environment for children with statements identifying social, emotional and behavioural Difficulties (SEBD). We encourage children to discover and develop their talents and skills so that they can realise their potential as fulfilled and effective citizens of the future</p>
<p>Woodfield School Headteacher: Ms Desi Lodge-Patch Address: Glenwood Avenue, London, NW9 7LY Tel: 020 8205 1977 Fax: 020 8205 5877 Email: admin@woodfield.sch.co.uk</p>	<p>Number of places: 138 Age range: 11-19 For pupils aged from 11 to 16 with moderate learning difficulties, social and communication disorders and autism. Ten of the above 100 places are for pupils diagnosed with ASC who are taught by specialist teachers in the autistic base.</p>
<p>North West London Independent Special School Pivot House, Cobbold Road, London NW10 9SF Tel: 020 84594806</p>	

Colleges

<p>North West London College For more information on courses please contact course information centre on Tel: 0208 208 5050 cic@cnwl.ac.uk The college offers wide range of programmes for learners with learning difficulties and disabilities.</p>
<p>Brent Connexions Round wood Youth Centre, 49 Longstone Avenue NW10 3UN Tel: 0208 438 1650 Connexions@brent.gov.uk Provides information, advice and guidance to young people aged 13 to 19 and up to the age 25 for those with special needs learning difficulties and disabilities.</p>

LIBRARIES:

<p>Home library and outreach services</p> <p>Ealing Library Coronet Parade, Ealing Road, Wembley HA0 4BA Tel: 0208 937 3560</p> <p>Harlesden Library Craven Park Road, Harlesden, NW10 8SE Tel: 0208 937 3570</p> <p>Kilburn Library 42 Salusbury Road, Kilburn NW6 6NN Tel: 0208 937 3530</p> <p>Kingsbury Library 522 – 524 Kingsbury Road Kingsbury NW9 9HE</p> <p>Wembley Library</p>	<p>If you live in Brent and love to read but find it difficult to get to the library, the Brent Libraries Home service can help.</p>
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<p>Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ Tel:0208 937 3500</p> <p>Willesden Library at the Lewinson Centre 165-167 High Road, Willesden, NW10 2SQ</p>	
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Activities:

<p>Down syndrome football sessions Woodfield School, Glenwood Avenue, Kingsbury NW9 7LY Tel: 0208 740 2585 07815 670 806</p>	<p>5 to 6pm QPR Tiger Cubs is a free, open football session for people of all ages with Down syndrome.</p>
<p>MULTI-SPORTS SESSIONS 35 Denmark Road South Kilburn NW6 5BP</p>	<p>Fund by Brent Multi-sport sessions is for all disabled people aged 5 to 16, A fun multi sports and physical activity session led by experience coach, who can adapt activities to suit individual needs. Wednesdays during term time, Primary school age from 3.45pm to 4.45pm and Secondary School age 4.45pm to 4.45pm. 50p contribution per person. Tel: 0207 625 2520 website www.okclub.org.uk email admin@okclub.org.uk</p>
<p>Sports activities Bridge Park Community Leisure Centre Charters Sport Centre, NW6 7ET Vale Farm Sports Centre Willesden Sport Centre</p>	<p>Tel: 0208 937 3730 Tel: 0208 937 3644 Tel; 0208 908 6545 Tel:0208 955 1120</p>
<p>Disability Sports Coach Southbank University Techno Park Unit 2b21 90 London Road, South Wark SE1 6LN Tel: 0207 021 0973</p>	<p>Disability Sports Coach providers high quality sporting opportunities for people with disabilities throughout the UK. We do this by providing coaching, training, events and community clubs to mainstream schools, special schools clubs, charities and other professional organisations. We have support and delivered to over 60,000 people with a variety of disabilities and worked with over 130 different organisations including, Sport England, national governing bodies (NGBs). Local authorities and individual schools.</p>
<p>Vale Farm Sport Centre</p>	<p>Swimming lessons with learning disabilities and special needs. Tel: 0208 908 6545 vale.farm@harpersfitness.co.uk</p>
<p>Special Yoga Centre 2a Wrentham Avenue NW10 3HA</p>	<p>Yoga for children, mums and babies; ante and postnatal; families and adults. Workshops, yoga therapy and special needs one to one yoga sessions. Concessions available. Tel:0208 968 1900 www.specialyoga.org.uk</p>
<p>Partyman World Wembley Special Needs Evenings Vale Farm Watford Road Middlesex HA0 3HG</p>	<p>On the first Wednesday evening of every month, activities for children with special needs. Activities include indoor and outdoor play, climbing frame, bouncy castle and beach area. Cost for under 4 year olds - £3.00 and 4 years and over - £5.00. Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm Website: www.partymanworld.co.uk Tel: 020 8904 9044</p>
<p>Willesden Leisure Centre, Donnington Road,</p>	<p>Disability Sports Coach Join our multi-sports DSC Community Club for</p>

<p>London, NW10 3QX Saturday 2.00 - 5.00pm</p>	<p>young people with disabilities aged 11+ £6 Per session. Turn up to your first session! For further information please contact DSC on Tel: 0207 021 0973 or email clubs@disabilityportscoach.co.uk</p>
<p>Willesden Sports Ability Club Willesden Sports Centre, Donnington Road, Willesden, NW10 3QX</p>	<p>Saturday's 2pm to 4pm Sports ability gives young people with any disability - whether it be a learning, physical, visual or a hearing disability - the chance to play up to three sports. Sports on offer include athletics, basketball, boccia, cricket, football, goal ball, new age knurling, polybat, racket ball, table cricket, table tennis, tennis, tri-golf and zone hockey. Tel: 020 8937 3707/ 020 8955 1120 Soon to launch Visually Impairment Club Willesden Sports Centre, Last Saturday of the month FREE Contact 020 7808 6170, text 07990 530536 or email vincent.lydon@rlsb.org.uk to book your space or if you have any questions.</p>

OTHER SERVICES:

List of Specialist SEN provision

This is a service which works with parents of children who have special educational needs. They provide impartial information on the full range of options available to parents. They are able to help parents make informed decisions.

<p>The Community Learning Disabilities Service is committed to providing support for people with complex or challenging behavior in a community setting for Brent and Harrow Learning Disabilities Service, The Kingswood Centre, 134 Honeypot Lane London NW9 9QY Tel: 020 8238 0900</p>	<p>Community health teams for people with a learning disability consist of multi-disciplinary staff teams made up of: community nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, physiotherapists, speech therapists and a range of other support workers. We provide assessment and treatment to people in their choice of environment, whether that be in their own home or an alternative community setting such as a local clinic, school, college, day service, supported living, residential setting, care home or hospital.</p>
<p>The Autism Diagnostic Service offers specialist assessment services.</p> <p>Learning Disabilities Service, The Kingswood Centre, 134 Honeypot Lane London NW9 9QY Tel: 020 8238 0900</p>	<p>Autism spectrum conditions, including Asperger's syndrome, can be difficult to identify in adults and people may go undiagnosed without specialist assessment. The Autism Diagnostic Team utilizes specialist assessment tools</p> <p>Following referral from mental health services or GPs across London with commissioner agreement to fund the assessment. The assessment identifies issues around social communication and interaction as well as repetitive and stereotypical behavior, in order to achieve diagnostic clarity.</p> <p>A full feedback report is provided together with a follow-up session for families, along with recommendations for accessing local services.</p>

<p>Brent Carers Centre, Wembley Centre for Health & Care 116 Chaplin Road, Wembley HA0 4UZ Tel: 0208 795 6240</p>	<p>Information and advice on the rights of carers and young carers; Assistant and information in accessing service and support that you may need. Emergency planning and crisis support also available.</p>
<p>Helpline 07817300103</p>	<p>A National Organisation for disabled people who are parents or hope to become parents and their families friends and support</p>
<p>Learning disabilities: coping with a diagnosis. www.nhs.uk</p>	<p>Diagnosing a learning disability can be difficult, and in some cases it isn't clear what the learning disability is or why it happened.</p>
<p>The National Autistic Society The National Autistic Society, 393 City Road, London, EC1V 1NG Tel: 08450704003 Minicom: 0845 0704003 www.autism.org.uk</p>	
<p>Resources For Autism 858 Finchley Road, London NW11 6AB, Tel: 0208 458 3259 www.resourcesforautism.org.uk</p>	
<p>Middlesex Association for the Blind Suite 18, FreeTrade House, Lowther Road, Stanmore, HA7 1EP Tel: 0208 423 5141 Email: info@aftb.org.uk www.aftb.org.uk</p>	<p>The Middlesex Association for the Blind aims to support people who are blind, partially sighted and deaf blind to lead independent lives. This is achieved through a range of high quality services, including: home visiting service, midnight hospital information points, resource centres, telephone helpline, children and carer support groups, early intervention officers, deaf blind communicator guides and transcription services. The office is open Monday to Friday from 9.30 am - 4.30 pm</p>
<p>Royal National Institute For The Blind RNIB Headquarters, 105 Judd Street, London, WC1H 9NE Tel: 0303 123 9999 Email helpline@rnib.org.uk</p>	
<p>I CAN 8 Wakley Street, London EC1V 7QE Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm Tel: 0845 225 4073 or 020 7843 2552 Information and Website: info@ican.org.uk</p>	<p>Help and advice about speech, language and communication difficulties</p>
<p>Contact 209-211 City Road, London EC1V 1J Tel: 0208 7608 8700 https://contact.org.uk/</p>	<p>Contact is only national charity that exists to support the families of disabled children whatever their condition or disability children are empowered to live the lives they want and achieve their full potential, for themselves for the communities they live in, and for society.</p>
<p>Brent Outreach Autism Team (BOAT) Contact Brent SEN Teams SEN Assessment Service sen.assessments@brent.gov.uk Tel: 020 8937 3229 Brent Outreach Autism Team Tel: 020 8937 3826 boat@brent.gov.uk.</p>	<p>BOAT provides an advice and support service to mainstream schools and settings in which there are children with a diagnosis of autistic spectrum disorder. BOAT can provide this service to children up to 19 years. BOAT also provides support, training and activities for families.</p>
<p>British Dyslexia Association Unit 8 Bracknell Beeches, Old Bracknell Lane, Bracknell, RG12 7BW</p>	<p>helpline@bdadyslexia.org.uk Online Free Dyslexia Test: www.spot-your-potential.com</p>

Tel: 0845 251 9003	
Hearing Link: 27-28 The Waterfront, EASTBOURNE, East Sussex, BN23 5UZ Helpdesk phone: 0300 111 1113	Organisation for people and their families with hearing loss. , Email: helpdesk@hearinglink.org or SMS: (07526 123255).
Child Development Services – Ealing Hospital NHS Trust Address: 116 Chaplin Road, Wembley, HA0 4UZ Tel: 020 8795 6356 Fax: 020 8795 6350	Child Development Service Co-ordinator Barham House, Wembley Centre for Health and Care The Child development Service offers help from 0 to 19 years who have disability or special needs.
Norwood – The Hope Centre Address: The Hope Charity, 228 Walm Lane, London NW2 3BS Tel: 0208 809 8809 Email info@norwood.org.uk www.norwood.org.uk	Hope is dedicated thinking skills centre. Hope multi professional team helps students aged from 3 to 19 with learning or development difficulties, as well as gifted under achievers to achieve their learning potential.
Mencap Address: 379-381 High Road, Willesden, NW10 2JR Tel: 0208 451 5278, email: info@brentmencap.org.uk www.mencap.org.uk	The service supports people with learning disability and requires support in different kinds of ways. Provides diverse and tailored help to meet individual's needs.
SEN Adviser (Special Education Needs) Advice, Assessment and Advocacy info@senadviser.co.uk or call us on Tel: 07872 030887/ 07414 733355	
Scope Tel: 0808 800 3333/0207 619 7100 response@scope.org.uk Address: 6 Market Road, London N7, 9PW	For further information Scope's services , cerebral palsy or any aspect of living with disability, you can contact Scope Response , which offers confidential advice and information between 9am and 5pm on weekdays.
Wheelchairs and Advice: Tel: 0208 795 6074.	
Hopscotch – Asian Women’s Centre Address: 50-52 Hampstead Road, London, NW1 2PY Tel: 0207 388 8198 Email: info@hopscotchawc.org.uk Web: www.hopscotchawc.org.uk	Advice and information for men and women in English, Bengali and Sylheti.
APDA Home Care (Asian People’s Disability Alliance Ltd) Address: Alric Avenue, Harlesden, NW10 8RA Tel: 0208 830 4880 Email: carersproject@hotmail.com Web: www.apda.org.uk	Provide care at home for elderly and disabled people. Care plan/package to help with everyday tasks in their own homes.
The Maypole Project Address: 51 High Street, Green Street Green, Orpington BR6 6BQ Tel: 01689889889 Email: helpline@themaypoleproject.co.uk	themaypoleproject.co.uk Provide information about counselling and befriending services

<p>Rainbow Trust Children's Charity Family Support Service</p> <p>Registered Charity No. 1070532. Company limited by guarantee. Registered in England No. 3585123 Registered Office: 6 Cleeve Court, Cleeve Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 7UD</p>	<p>Whose son or daughter is affected by a life threatening or terminal illness?</p> <p>Support is parent / carer led to ensure our Family Support Workers offer support that is specifically tailored towards each child, young person and parent / carer in the family. Support includes:</p> <p>Providing emotional support to each member of the family throughout the child / young person's illness;</p> <p>Spending time with the unwell child / young person at home or in hospital;</p> <p>Accompanying and supporting parents and their child / young person during clinic and hospital appointments;</p> <p>Providing short breaks for the unwell child and siblings which may include fun activities or trips to local amenities;</p> <p>Helping maintain normality in the home by working with, and caring for siblings, to ensure the usual activities are continued for the family;</p> <p>Providing practical support, housework and shopping;</p> <p>Providing end of life care and ongoing bereavement work.</p> <p>Family support is available to all families whose son or daughter is affected by a life threatening illness. This includes parents, carers, the unwell child, brothers, sisters, grandparents and help with extended family members to support each other.</p> <p>Any family can receive support from the point of their child's diagnosis</p>
<p>The Child Bereavement Charity</p> <p>Wycombe Road, Saunderton High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4BF</p> <p>Tel: 0800 02 88840 (free from landlines) 01494 568900</p>	<p>Charity supporting families and educating professionals when a baby or child of any age dies or is dying, or when a child is facing bereavement. Every year we train around 5000 professionals, helping them to better understand the needs of grieving families. Child Bereavement UK is sponsored through the Department of Health; our aim is to raise awareness of our charity to allow more families to receive the support they need.</p> <p>Please help us by adding our details to your director in the form of this template. This will then enable that those living in your county can easily access our support.</p> <p>Monday to Friday 9 to 5pm.</p> <p>Referral and availability: self-referral via the helpline or third referral.</p>

Age Group 16 to 25

<p>Wembley Job Centre Plus</p> <p>6 St Johns Road, Town Centre, Wembley HA9 7JD</p> <p>Tel: 020 8258 3766</p> <p>Harlesden Jobcentre Plus</p> <p>161 Harlesden High Street, Harlesden</p>	<p>Advice on housing and council tax benefits, council tax, school admissions, recycling and waste, social care, general information</p>
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Support

<p>Supporting Brent Young Carers Tel: 0208937 3010</p>	<p>Who are young carers: A young carer is a person under 18 who provides essential and ongoing care and emotional support to someone who is mentally ill, disabled, or misuses substances such as alcohol or drugs. Lots of children and young people want to help their family and feel proud that they are lending a hand. At the same time, the impact of these caring responsibilities may cause difficulties at home, in schools or college, or in their social life. Sometimes it can be difficult to recognise someone as a young carer, but there are thousands of young carers.</p> <p>For parents, young people and professionals are welcome to get in touch for more information on support which can be provided or sign-posted. For referral please ensure that you have the family's consent to do so and complete an Early Help Assessment (EHA) which is available on the Brent website or email EHA@brent.gcsx.gov.uk</p>
<p>Brent Connexions 0208 459 2439 169-171 Willesden High Road Willesden NW10 2SD</p>	<p>Brent Connexions will work with older disabled children to ensure they have access to good quality post 16 education, where their ongoing and changing education and life skills and independence needs will be met.</p>
<p>Keyworkers</p>	<p>Some families have a key worker. A key worker will see you regularly and make sure you have all the information you need.</p> <p>They will also make sure that services from all the different areas, including education, health and social care are well coordinated. Key workers can act as a central point of contact for professionals working with your family.</p>
<p>Brent Occupational Therapy</p>	<p>They will offer OT service to children who meet the criteria for the CWDT. They will assess and recommend adaptations to the family home or equipment which aid mobility. They can also provide supporting letters for housing where families are assessed as meeting the criteria for a move or for the CFG, leading to home adaptation.</p>
<p>Brent Transition Team Civic Centre Tel: 02089374300</p>	<p>This team supports young people to make the journey from childhood to adulthood. This is often a difficult time of change for many young people, especially for those with disabilities. There are many decisions that families or carers have to make, regarding choices for the future in terms of education, living arrangements and daily life. This can be a complex time as support from different agencies, such as health, education and social care, changes from the age of 18. The transition team supports young people with disabilities aged 14 to 25 years old (if in education) to help make this journey as smooth as possible.</p>

<p>Family Solutions Team Tel: 02089374300 www.brent.gov.uk/cfis</p>	<p>Brent Family solutions providers a range of support for families with children aged 0 to 18 year olds. Key workers can support you through the ups and downs of life of a parent such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing your child’s behaviour, setting boundaries, getting to school on time. • Managing debt or being affected by the benefit cap. • Drug and alcohol worries. • Relationship breakdown. • Coping with you or your child’s disability, special needs or mental health • Helping you back to work.
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Funding & Help

<p>Disabled Facilities Grant</p>	<p>Disabled facilities grants are available for adaptations to support people with disabilities to live more independently in their homes. Necessary work that grant may be agreed for includes the installation of stair lift, hoists, ramps assessable showers, specialist kitchens for wheelchair users and improvement to existing central heating system.</p>
<p>Carers allowance</p>	<p>You must be 16 or over and spend at least 35 hours a week caring for them. Carer’s allowance is taxable. It can also affect your other benefits.</p>