

Special Needs School Nursing Service



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The Special Needs School Nursing service is part of the NHS. This is a nurse-led team which aims to provide safe, evidence based healthcare services to children and young people within Cambridgeshire.

Who is the service for?

Children and young people aged between 2½ - 19 years with special needs attending one of the counties Special Schools including those with learning disabilities, associated additional health needs and/or complex health needs.

Role/support

We work as a team in partnership with children, parents, carers, teachers and other health professionals to enable children to access education.

What services can we as a team offer?

The team uses a multi disciplinary approach working with other agencies and professional groups in order to meet the child's/young person's individual needs.

The core offer the service provides around each child is;

- Generic and Bespoke training of School staff
- Development and maintaining up to date Health Plans for Asthma, Epilepsy, Nutrition etc.
- Development/contribution to a Child Health Action Plan (CHAP).
- Development/maintenance of care plans around a child's specific health needs that can be met by the Special Needs School Nurses.
- Contribution if required to the safeguarding agenda.

Service Provision

The service is delivered by means of a telephone triage operated Monday - Friday by a Special Needs School Nurse, (and attendance at any of the schools to follow up on received referrals by the remaining members of the team).

The service is provided to the following area Special Schools:

Castle School (Cambridge)

Granta School (Cambridge)

Highfield School (Ely)

Meadowgate School (Wisbech)

Samuel Pepys School (St. Neots)

Spring Common School (Huntingdon)

Referral

Referrals are accepted by email, SNSN referral form or through the triage phone line, from School staff, parents and other professionals.

For further information about this service contact:

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