

Specialist Nursing Service for Children and Young People Accessing School



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The Specialist Nursing Service for Children and Young People Accessing School

Our service is provided through Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust and we work as part of the Children's Community Nursing Team.

This is a nurse-led team consisting of both Registered Nurses and Health Care Support Workers.

We provide specialist clinical support through safe, evidence based, person centred healthcare to children and young people aged between 2½ - 19 years, with long term and complex physical health needs, and who attend one of the counties identified Special Schools.

Our Role

Our focus is the provision of individualised healthcare advice, support and training to schools and families, to ensure that children and young people can safely access education and development opportunities.

We aim to work in partnership with children, families, carers, educational settings, other agencies and professional groups in order to meet the child's/ young person's individual needs.



Examples of how we can help:

- Child specific training and competency assessments for school staff, using a nationally recognised training framework.
- Telephone advice and support for families and schools
- Admission planning
- Liason between Specialist Services and Primary Care Teams
- Proactive engagement with EHCP's for Children and Young People (CYP) accessing the service.
- Specific safeguarding support and guidance around issues relating to the CYP long term and complex health needs who are open to the service.
- Signposting to other support services relevant to an individual's needs.
- Continence products assessments (area specific)
- Height, Weight & Blood Pressure recording following referral from an appropriate professional.
- Thyroid Function testing

Please contact the service if you would like to find out any further information or wish to discuss a referral to our service.

Service Provision

We provide a non-emergency service, delivered by means of a telephone and e mail triage system operated Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm by our Specialist Nurses.

Although there is an identified point of contact for each school it may be any member of the team that responds to your child's needs or concern at any one time.

A member of the nursing team will act as a point of contact for each school, and will be available on site one day per week at the following special schools. For further information in relation to this please contact the team.

Granta School (Cambridge)

Highfield School (Ely)

Meadowgate School (Wisbech)

Samuel Pepys School (St. Neots)

Spring Common School (Huntingdon)

Phoenix (Peterborough)

Heltwate (Peterborough)

LittlePort (Ely)

Castle School (Cambridge)

Training

We offer a competency based model of training and assessment that measures the theoretical knowledge and practical skills of an individual carer.

Theory will be delivered through a variety of means, this can be face to face and via e learning or online modules dependant on the training need and agreed process for training at the time.

The learner will be assessed to test their theoretical knowledge through direct observation, questioning and discussion, whilst they undertake the required task under supervision.

Our aim is to ensure that staff supporting children and young people in the school setting will feel confident and be competent in delivering the best possible, person centred care.

Referrals

Referrals can be made through a centralised email address or by telephone. Referrals can be made by Health, Social Care and Educational professionals and also by parents or carers.

A Registered Nurse will be available everyday Monday to Friday 0900 to 1700, including school holidays.

We may not be able to respond to contacts immediately, however we aim to respond to all contacts within 24 hours.



For further information about this service contact:

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If you require this information in a different format such as in large print or on audio tape, or in a different language please contact the service on the details above.

To find out how we use what we know about you (Privacy Notice) or how to access our buildings (AccessAble), please visit www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk and follow the links or please contact us.



If you have any compliments about this service or suggestions for improvements, contact our Patient Advice and Liaison Service on 0300 131 1000 (charges may apply depending on your network) or email: ccs-tr.pals@nhs.net.

For free, confidential health advice and information 24 hours a day, 365 days a year please contact NHS 111.

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