



Early Years Support Practitioner (SEND) Service in Bristol

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What does an Early Years Support Practitioner do?

An Early Years Support Practitioner (EYSP) is a person who works in a support role with families who have a young child with additional needs. They may act as a single point of contact for a family, helping the family to coordinate their care, across health, education, social care, financial resources and recreation.

The main job of an EYSP is to empower parents by providing them with support, resources and information to meet their individual needs.

This can work in several ways:

- Acting as a single point of contact for families
- Providing emotional support to empower families to access practical and medical support
- Signposting to relevant services for children with a range of disabilities
- Work with multi-agency team to ensure shared and effective communication
- Support with statutory funds applications e.g. Disability Living Allowance – supporting parent/carers to complete as required.

The Early Years Support Practitioner (SEND) is designed to help pre-school children with disabilities and their families over a 3-6 month period. This short term intervention could be until another professional is identified to take on this role or families feel empowered to continue without the service.

Families with disabled children should only have EYSP support if they want it; this is a voluntary service which requires family engagement.

What does this service aim to achieve?

- Better joint planning for individual children and families
- Emotional and practical support for parents and carers
- Coordination of services for families when many different agencies are involved to ensure a joined-up, holistic service
- Providing information for families and improved exchange of information between practitioners
- Supporting the child and their parent/carer to access therapy and support groups.

We have a missed appointment policy that will be discussed with you at your initial visit.

Information about community children's service can be found at sirona-cic.org.uk/children-services/

How to contact us:

Unit 1, Osprey Court, Hawkfield Business Park, Whitchurch,
Bristol BS14 0BB

Referrals

Please visit www.sirona-cic.org.uk/children-services/services/early-years-support-practitioner or use the contact number above for further information.

If you or the individual you are caring for need support reading this leaflet please ask a member of staff for advice.

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