

Children's Special Needs School Nursing Service

The Special Needs School Nurses support children and young people aged 3-19 years old, with learning disabilities and associated additional health care needs within the special school setting.

The service is provided by a multi-skilled team of registered nurses and specialist nursery nurses. The team work in partnership with parents and carers, education teams, children's community nurses, continuing care, social care and the wider multi-professional team to enable children and young people to access the curriculum.

The service provides

Care Planning

Special Needs School Nurses develop individual care plans to meet the health care needs of children and young people through a process of assessment, planning, implementing care and evaluation of outcomes.

Education

Special Needs School Nurses provides training to parents, carers, education staff, respite provision and voluntary agencies in a variety of clinical interventions specific to individual care plans, to include, administration of medicines, enteral feeding, rescue medication (buccal midazolam/rectal diazepam), epilepsy awareness, oxygen therapy, suction, and the management of anaphylaxis (Epipen).

Clinics

Special Needs School Nurses work in partnership with the multi-professional team to coordinate health care clinics held within the special school setting in order to ensure that children and young people spend as little time as possible attending appointments outside the school setting. Clinics provided are:

- Medical reviews (led by Community Consultant Paediatrician)
- Behavioural clinics (with Clinical psychologist)
- Continence
- Dental
- Dietitian
- Vision
- Audiology
- Weight Management
- Immunisations

Health Promotion

Special Needs School Nurses work in partnership with the education staff in the planning and delivery of health promotion to include healthy eating, well-being, sexual health, drug awareness and other government initiatives.

Family Support

Special Needs School Nurses act as an advocate and provide advice and support to families meeting their children's health care needs. They are responsible for sign-posting to and referring to specialist services as necessary, sourcing relevant information, liaising with and when appropriate taking the Lead Professional role in conjunction with the family and other health care professionals.

Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday school hours (term time only)

How to Contact Service

Contact the Special Needs Nursing team directly at the special school child/young person attends

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