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Wolverhampton Information, Advice and Support Service

SEN Support - A graduated approach to support children and young people in education



Your school/college identifies that you may have additional needs. Your school/college and your parents/carers should discuss any worries and concerns.

This can happen at any time during the school year.



To help identify your additional needs, school/college must use a Graduated Approach.

During this process, they must involve you and your parents/carers in the stages, which are assess, plan, do and review. This is called SEN support.



School/college may be able to provide adequate targeted intervention for you to make progress in each area of need identified.

Support may continue this way until interventions are no longer required.



If you do not make adequate progress school/college may seek further guidance from specialist services such as an Educational Psychologist, Specialist Teacher, Wolverhampton Outreach Service or a Speech and Language Therapist.



SEN review meetings should be held at least every term or more frequently if required for you, your family, school and other professionals to review the SEN support plan and agree next steps.

Further strategies and support could be implemented and evidenced.

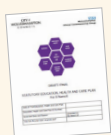


If your school or setting cannot provide adequate intervention for sustained progress everyone should agree that an Education, Health and Care needs assessment should be the next step.

Your school/college will gather evidence and outcomes of the support that has been implemented along with information and reports from professionals.



Education Health and Care Plans (EHCP)



An Education Health and Care Plan is sometimes called an EHCP. The plan sets out what help is needed and how to provide it for children and young people aged 0-25.



You and your teacher may think you need more help than you are getting from school.



Your teacher can contact Wolverhampton council and ask for an assessment for a plan.

If you are 16 and above, you could ask for the assessment yourself.

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Your school/college submits a request for an Education, Health and Care needs assessment to Wolverhampton SEND team – known as SENSTART.

Parents, carers and young people can also submit a request for an assessment. See our easy read EHCP factsheet on our website

<https://wolvesiass.org/assets/downloads/factsheets-leaflets/ehcp-easy-read-document.pdf>



If you or your parents are unhappy about anything to do with your support in school/college or if you need help to understand things, you can contact the Information, Advice and Support Service.



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