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Education, Health Care Plans

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From September 2014 Educational, Health and Care (EHC) will start to replace statements of special educational needs and Learning difficulty assessments. At EHC plan will of focus on what a child wants to achieve and what support is needed to do this.

Having an EHC plan will mean that different agencies that provide educational, health and social care support will need to work more closely together to help achieve goals and make sure your child is support in the best way possible.

Who will get an EHC plan?

EHC plans will be for children and young people who have a special educational need or disability that cannot be met by support that is usually available in a school or college. EHC plans can continue until a child is 25 but it will stop if your child

- Goes to university
- Gets a job
- You tell your Local Authority you no longer want the plan
- Your Local Authority thinks you no longer need it, for example following a review all of the educational goals written in the plan have been met

Independent supporters will be available to help children and young people and their families who are having an EHC assessment. Details are given below.

What will be included in an EHC plan?

An EHC plan will be tailored to meet your child's needs so each person's plan looks different. It will include how your child likes to communicate, what support they need and what you and your child would like to achieve.

All the people who support your child will be able to see the plan.

Process for applying for an EHC plan

Please see flow chart at the back of this leaflet

Information Advisory Service (IAS)- previously Parent Partnership

Information and Advisory Service, SEND, is a community based, free service for families and children with special educational needs and/or disabilities from birth to 25 years old. Independent from the local authority, they support parent's carers and young people with all aspects of SEND, across education, inclusive of the statutory assessment process, Health services, and Social care.

They also are very familiar with other sources of support available locally and nationally and have good links with most partner agencies in Bolton, allowing them to work fluidly with your family's needs.

Our staff have extensive knowledge across a range of disabilities.

The service also offers:

- The Independent support programme - providing legally based advice and guidance on the conversion of statements to EHC plans.
- The Dispute Resolution Service providing advocacy and support when families have a problem with the local authority or health.
- The Amity project providing mentoring and counselling for young people facing difficulties.

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