



**Leicester, Leicestershire
and Rutland**
Integrated Care Board

Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Statement of Intent

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Health and Wellbeing Partnership



What is the role of NHS Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland Integrated Care Board (LLR ICB) around services and support for children, young people and their families with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

As health service commissioners, the ICB has a duty to arrange health care provision for the people for whom they are responsible to meet their reasonable health needs.

NHS LLR ICB is the local/regional Integrated Care Board responsible for buying health services on behalf of all local people across Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland. You can find out more about us by contacting us at llricb-llr@nhs.net

The ICB is working in partnership with Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland Councils, University Hospitals Leicester and Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust, to collaborate in improving services and support for children and young people with SEND, as directed by the SEND Code of Practice 2015 (Children and Families Act 2014).

What can you expect from LLR ICB and NHS health organisations across Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland?

As an ICB we will commit to:

- Commissioning services in partnership with our local authorities for children and young people aged 0-25 years old with SEND
- Working with local authorities and NHS health organisations to contribute to the Local Offer and provide information about health care services
- Working closely with: Leicester City and Rutland Parent Carer Forums and Leicestershire SEND Hub; supporting groups that represent young people with SEND; Health Watch; the voluntary sector; and community groups
- Making health care provision available where exceptional clinical health needs related to education are specified in Part C and G of individual Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC plan), as part of our commissioning role
- To work with local authorities in making decisions at all key stages for EHC plans

Our NHS health organisations will commit to:

- Supporting identification and support for children and young people requiring SEND provision
- Responding to requests for advice for EHC plans within the required time frame
- Working with local authorities to contribute to the local offer of SEND services available
- Working closely with: Parent Carer Forums supporting groups that represent young people with SEND; Health Watch; the voluntary sector; and community groups

What services are commissioned for children and young people with SEND?

LLR ICB commissions general health provision for the whole of the population and children and young people's needs are met from a range of NHS services. In addition, LLR ICB commissions special health services.

Children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) may need support from different health services at different stages in their lives.

Some of these services are part of general health provision, such as GPs and Public Health nurses, and some are more specialised. Children and young people needing specialised services will need an assessment or referral from a health or social care professional.

Health services specially provided for children and young people with additional needs include (not exclusively):

- Community Paediatrics
- Speech and Language Therapy, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Community Care Packages
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services
- Equipment including wheelchairs and mobility aids
- Continuing Health Care Assessments
- Personal health budgets

The ICB SEND Designated Clinical Officer (DCO) is a dedicated role that supports Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland and LLR ICB in implementing and embedding statutory responsibilities for children and young people with SEND. The DCO supports health colleagues across the ICB and our health providers to ensure children and young people 0-25 with SEND have the right health support to achieve the best outcomes they possibly can. The DCO also works with the local authorities in making decisions at all key stages for EHC plan and has oversight of the health provision agreement for Parts C and G within EHC plans.

Sally Johnston, Designated Clinical Officer for SEND

If you would like to contact our SEND team, please use the following:

Email: personalisationteam.llr@nhs.net

To contact LLR ICB:

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Local Offer

Our three local authorities have published a SEND Local Offer which tells you about the support and services on offer to children and young people with SEND in their area.

For information on **Leicestershire County Council's SEND Local Offer**, click the link below:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/SEND>

For information on **Leicester City Council's SEND Local Offer**, click on the link below:

<https://families.leicester.gov.uk/send-local-offer/>

For information on **Rutland Council's SEND Local Offer**, click the link below:

<https://ris.rutland.gov.uk/kb5/rutland/directory/site.page?id=s75kMtu9Lno>

Useful Links

[Council for Disabled Children](#)

[0 - 25 SEND Code of Practice: A guide for health professionals February 2016](#)



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