
Cumbria SEND Improvement Programme



Annual Survey – Special educational needs and/or disabilities

Dear parents and carers,

We are writing to all families of children with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) to ask you to complete our annual survey about your experiences. We want to find out what effect the improvements made so far by the SEND Improvement Programme have had, and what we need to do next to continue to make things better, as we know there is much still to do.

There are separate surveys for those whose children have an Education, Health and Care plan (EHCP), those whose children do not have an EHCP and for children and young people themselves. You can find the survey links below, or scan the QR codes with your smart phone to take you to the surveys.

Survey for those whose children and young people HAVE an EHCP

You can access the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MND6VD5>



QR code for those WITH an EHCP

Survey for those whose children and young people DO NOT have an EHCP

You can access the survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/M3QGVDN>



QR code for those WITHOUT and
EHCP

The surveys take around 12 minutes to complete and is completely anonymous

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Survey for Children and Young People with SEND

There is also a separate, easy read short online survey for your children and young people. We would be very grateful if you could support them to complete it. You can access it at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MB723NL> or by using this QR code



QR code for children and young people

All surveys are available now and we will share the results of the survey with you on the Local Offer website and Facebook page and in the SEND Improvement Programme newsletter over the Summer.

To give you an idea of what we did with the information you provided via the survey last time, some actions that came from it are;

You said... communication across health, education and social care wasn't good enough

We did... the SEND Improvement Programme now brings together practitioners from across education, health and social care to work together with parents/carers and children and young people with SEND to make improvements to SEND services

You said... information and advice on preparing young people with SEND for adulthood was difficult to access

We did... a virtual Preparation for Adulthood fair was held in October 2020 which was accessed by over 200 families, involved 25 organisations and delivered 34 live webinars. 82% of parents said was very useful. More events like this will be coming up during 2021

You said... diagnostic pathways for neurodiverse conditions, especially autism, were difficult to navigate and not transparent

We did... a full review of Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) diagnostic pathway is underway in both north and south CCGs, and is being coproduced with parents/carers and children and young people to make it easier to navigate and more transparent

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

Sian Rees - Strategic Lead

On behalf of the SEND Improvement Partnership