GP Bulletin

Keeping up to date with Somerset's SEND Local Offer

Your regular bitesize update for new or updated information, services for professionals supporting children and young people aged 0-25 years old with additional needs in Somerset, and their families.

So what was new during March?

Autism and ADHD Pathway has several updates including

- Clarity over what the CYPNP Advice Line can answer or when to direct general enquiries to the administrative team
- version 4 of the <u>Neurodevelopmental Next Steps Form</u> now available moving to one request for neurodevelopmental assessment across Somerset (including clarity over clinic locations)
- Understanding what will happen to the assessment when the child or young person moves into or out of Somerset
- updated position statement on demand avoidance, and strategies to use
- post-diagnostic pathway for ADHD including access to training and medication
- <u>Resolving concerns</u> if you don't agree with the professionals

www.somerset.gov.uk/autism-and-adhd-pathway

Somerset Pastoral Support Plan now has the STARR tool template to record and analyse behaviour. It supports understanding of how the behaviours are linked to environmental factors, what the key triggers could be and what function might be maintaining the behaviour.

www.somerset.gov.uk/somerset-pastoral-supportplan/#Stage%201:%20Information%20gathering

Moving to adult social care has updated details about the preparing for adulthood team, and now has the initial referral form to download. For children aged 14 years old onwards with sensory loss, physical disabilities, long-term conditions, learning disability and significant mental health needs.

www.somerset.gov.uk/moving-to-adult-social-care

Online training module now available to help people understand the role of Somerset's SEND Local Offer and supporting parent carers to navigate it. Don't forget there are also presentations to download for display screens and posters for noticeboards.

www.somerset.gov.uk/local-offer-resources

SEND events calendar has an increasing number of quiet or SEND sessions in local attractions and inclusive youth groups. A key tool for helping reduce isolation for families with additional needs.

www.somerset.gov.uk/send-events