



Information, Advice and Support Service

Free Information Sessions...

Do you have concerns that your child may have some additional needs?

Would you like to know a bit more about who can help you and your child?

We are holding a series of information sessions to help you find out more about the special educational needs “system”. It will be an opportunity to meet other parents and to find out about our service and a chance to find out about the possibility of becoming a volunteer (further training would be offered). We will also be signposting you to other sources of support including the Local Offer.

The next series of sessions will be run within school hours and will begin on **Thursday 3rd October 2019** and will run for 4 weeks (Thursdays 03/10, 10/10, 17/10, 24/10). You do **NOT** need to attend all of the sessions, just choose the sessions which are of interest to you.

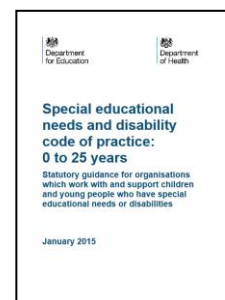
Time: Start at 9.45 am – finish no later than 12.45 pm

Venue: **Civic Way Offices, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire CH65 0BE**

Programme for the sessions:

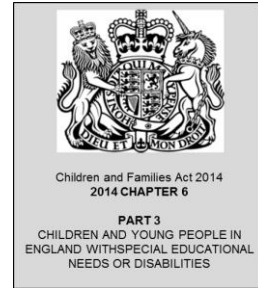
- **Session 1:** What does the Special Educational Needs Code of Practice say schools should do to meet the needs of children and young people with SEN?
- **Session 2:** Preparing for meetings with professionals – tips and techniques for success. This will include the Annual Review of Education Health and Care Plans

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Programme for the sessions continued:

- **Session 3:** What does an Education, Health and Care Plan look like? How can you be part of producing a quality plan?
- **Session 4:** What can I do if things go wrong? Strategies for resolving disagreements, from informal approaches through to formal mediation and SENDist (Tribunal)



Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided free of charge.

If you need transport to the event, please let us know and we will do our best to help.

There is a CarPark at Civic Way offices but it fills up very quickly in the morning and so it can be difficult to find a space after 9.00 am. There are nearby alternatives which we can provide information about when you have confirmed your place.

**To book a place or for further information, please contact the
'Information Advice and Support Service'
(Formerly Parent Partnership Service)**

Tel: 0300 123 7001

Email: iasservice@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Council Offices, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port. CH65 0BE

If the answer phone is on please just leave your request for a place and your contact details.

If you want to find out more about how Information, Advice and Support service can help you, search for IAS service on the Local Offer: www.westcheshirelocaloffer.co.uk.

