



# SEND

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Implementation in Portsmouth

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Working with  
**Portsmouth Parent Voice**

# SEND Reforms Update

From September 2014 The Children and Families Bill will be introducing changes to how services are delivered for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

In Portsmouth, we are working hard to make sure these changes make things better for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities and their families.

## The Changes in Brief

### 1. Working Together

Education, health and social care services working together to meet the needs of children and young people with SEND.

### 2. Local Offer

Information about the services all in one place, so that children, young people and their families know what help they can get.

### 3. Co-ordinated Assessments

Education, health and care coordinated assessments to identify needs and put in place the right support.

### 4. Co-ordinated Plans

Education, Health and Care Plans will replace statements of special educational needs and learning disability assessments.

## Useful Contacts

### Portsmouth Parent Voice

Information, Participation, run by parents for parents of a child with an additional or special need and/or disability.

**07825 185608**

[www.portsmouthparentvoice.org](http://www.portsmouthparentvoice.org)

### Portsmouth Parent Partnership Service

Offers parents and carers confidential and impartial advice about their child's Special Educational Needs

**023 92732542**

[www.askportsmouth.org](http://www.askportsmouth.org)

### Council for Disabled Children

The Council for Disabled Children (CDC) is the umbrella body for the disabled children's sector in England, with links to other UK nations.

**0207 8431900**

[www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk](http://www.councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk)

### Contact a Family

A national charity that exists to support the families of disabled children.

**0808 8083555**

[www.cafamily.org.uk](http://www.cafamily.org.uk)

### 5. Personal Budgets

Anyone with an Education, Health and Care Plan can request a personal budget and, in some cases a direct payment.

### 6. 0 to 25 years

Education and Health Care Plans can be in place from birth to age 25 years, if needed.

### 7. Independent Advice and Support

The same duties apply to all educational providers e.g. maintained schools, academies, free schools, further education and sixth form colleges

### 8. Advice and Support

Young people and their parents will have access to independent advice and support.





If you would like to contact Portsmouth Parent Voice their details are:

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Prince Albert Road,  
Hants,  
PO4 9HR

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