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# Special School Nursing

Information for patients and carers

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## What are the school health team?

School health practitioners are qualified nurses with experience in the health and care of school aged children.

Assistant practitioners and health care assistants use their knowledge and skills to support the school health practitioners in the delivery of the service.

## What we do

We look after the health and well being of all school aged children and support children with special needs. We also offer support to parents and carers.

## What school health offer

- Health promotion
- Dental advice
- Advice on healthy eating and exercise
- Discuss conditions such as asthma and allergies or bedwetting problems
- Support in safeguarding children
- Support children with any additional needs
- Immunisations for school children
- Support parents with children's behaviour
- Screening of height, weight, vision and hearing.

## How we work

We also work closely with:

- Family and hospital doctors
- Health visitors
- Teachers
- Hospitals
- Hearing and eye clinics
- Speech therapy
- Educational welfare officers
- Children's mental healthcare team
- Safeguarding children.

## How special school nursing teams differ from mainstream school health

The special school nurse team provides clinical care to children and young adults within the educational setting.

These children may have complex conditions ranging from physical and learning disability to life limiting conditions.

The team enables access to learning and supports young people with special educational needs and disability to socialise with friends, giving them opportunities to be independent.

Clinical care within schools may include interventions such as:

- Gastrostomy feeds
- Administering medication.

Special school nurses work alongside other professionals to meet the needs of the child/young adult.

All children/young adults in special schools have an Education Health Care Plan.

This is information on the local offer for Liverpool which may assist families and carers to review aspects of care and funding which can provide the child/young adult with their own carer or educational support worker.

The carer/support worker is responsible for all care from the ordering of equipment to giving of medication. The special school nurse will support the carer's/ education support workers by liaising with professionals to ensure the needs of the child are met.

During an emergency situation in school, the nurses will work alongside the carer's and education staff to manage any crisis or incident effectively to reduce the risk to the child. The team provide a valuable service and work alongside education, health and social care colleagues to strive towards best possible care for every child and young adult in Liverpool.

Information regarding all services available for children with special needs can be found on the council website

[liverpool.gov.uk/localoffer](https://liverpool.gov.uk/localoffer)