

IPSEA (Independent Parental Special Education Advice)

Description: IPSEA is a registered charity offering free and independent advice to parents of children with special educational needs in England and Wales on:

- local authorities' legal duties to assess and provide for children with special educational needs;
- exclusions of children with special needs/disabilities;
- actions or inaction by local authorities and/or schools which discriminate against children with disabilities.

IPSEA's trained volunteers give free, legally based independent advice and support in England and Wales to help get the right education for children with SEN/D. You can also get help by looking at our website resources on [common problems](#), [taking action](#), [exclusion](#), [transport](#), [refusal to assess](#) and [more](#).

Intended client group: Parents and carers of children with special educational needs

Phone number: General Advice Line 0800 018 4016

IPSEA's Advice Line is our "front line" service for parents. Advice on: Problems with schools; requesting statutory assessment; proposed statements; annual reviews; possible disability discrimination; exclusion from school, etc. This line is covered by 1 or 2 trained volunteers so you may have to ring again if they are busy. Please do not call this number if you are in a Tribunal situation but call our tribunal help line number below:

Advice Line Call-back Booking Service – this online booking service offers 45 minute telephone advice sessions that you can book at a specific time that suits you. A call-back can be about any educational issue that is the result of a child's special educational needs or disability (excluding appeals to a tribunal).

Phone number: Tribunal Help Line 0845 602 9579

The Tribunal Help Line will be open Monday through to Thursday 10-1 and an evening session on Wednesday evening 7-9. It offers next-step advice on SEN appeals and disability discrimination claims to the Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal. When you call we will assess whether you need casework support.

Website: www.ipsea.org.uk



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Email address:

Please note that we cannot respond to requests for legally based advice by post, email or via our office. The only way to receive IPSEA advice is to contact one of our helplines above



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