## Name of service/organisation:

# **Children with a Disability Team (CWDT)**

#### **Description:**

The CWDT aims to help young disabled people from birth to 18 years. We are part of the Directorate for Children & Young People in Kirklees Council. The CWDT offers assessments and provides care packages to children with a disability and their families in Kirklees.

The CWDT have people who make decisions and provide support to children with a disability.

In the CWDT we have a lot of different people who work with disabled children. You may come across social workers, community care officers, residential workers, child in need reviewing officers and activity coordinators. We all work together to ensure the well-being of young disabled people in Kirklees. The staff come from various backgrounds and cultures and they have a range of skills, training and experience.

In Kirklees, the first person you are likely to make contact with is a Social Worker or Community Care Officer. Their managers are called Deputy Managers and above them are Team Managers. They are all responsible for day to day decision making.

### Client group intended for:

The Children With a Disability Team can offer a child a service if he or she:
attends a special school for children with severe learning difficulties - Castle Hill or
Fairfield.

or

has a special education statement for severe learning difficulties, and attends another type of school, that is outside the local authority - for example, Hollybank, Robert Ogden, and others.

or

attends a resourced school for children with speech and language difficulties, physical disabilities, visual or hearing impairment for young children with developmental delay or communication disability - such as autism. The developmental delay may need to be reassessed later.

or

attends a moderate learning difficulty school (Longley, Lydgate or Ravenshall) or a mainstream school or college, but has more than one communication, sensory, physical disability or medical difficulty. Together these difficulties have a substantial effect on daily living, so the child needs constant or continuous support and supervision throughout the day. Or the child may be dependent on an adapted environment or special technology.

or

is registered Blind, Deaf or Deafblind.

or

receives Disability Living Allowance at the higher rate - for either care or mobility.



**HELP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS** 

#### **PCAN Pages**

Really useful information for parents of children with additional needs in Kirklees Website www.pcankirklees.org Call 07754 102336 Email info@pcankirklees.org

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has more than one moderate difficulty in the areas of cognitive ability (learning), speech, language and communication, hearing, vision, hand function, mobility, or personal care including bathing, feeding, toileting and dressing.

or

is under three years old and experiences substantial developmental impairment or delays in one or more areas of cognitive development; has delays in sensory or physical development, communication or social development; or has a condition with a high probability of resulting in severe developmental delay.

**Phone number:** Duty Officer: 01924 326438 (24 hours a day and every day in the year)

**Email address:** cwdtduty@kirklees.gov.uk

Website: http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/community/health-

care/childrenandfamilies/enabled/childdisability.shtml

Address:

Main Contact: The Duty Officer

**Further Information:** 

How to access the CWDT?

Points of referral for assessment

Duty and Assessment (Team 1)

Care Management (Team 2 and 3)

Child in Need Reviewing Officers

Adaptations and Equipment Team

