

SEND Workforce Development Offer for Bristol Schools

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Introduction

The SEND Workforce Development Offer for Bristol Schools sets out the training and development opportunities currently available to build skills, understanding and confidence in Bristol schools to meet the needs of children and young people (CYP) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

The offer has been developed as part of a focus on SEND workforce development following the Ofsted and CQC inspection of Bristol's approach to SEND in 2019 as part of the Written Statement of Action. Specifically, the Workforce Development Offer contributes to activity designed to establish:

- A robust, evidence-based performance culture across SEND services to reflect the principles of the SEND Code of Practice by active leadership, visible across the partnership and engaged with by all stakeholders, including school leaders.
- A support system for education, training and skills settings (0-25) to understand their responsibilities in relation to the SEND Code of Practice.
- A support system for education settings to understand their responsibilities of early identification and assessment using a graduated response

Although some parent carers in the city are positive about their child's education setting, too many continue to report that their children's needs are not always being met¹. Most recently a meeting of parent advocacy and support groups identified that more needs to be done to ensure that 'SENDCos and LSAs have the right knowledge' to meet the needs of CYP with SEND.

The 2022 offer sets out the current workforce development offer for schools. Work is in progress to identify the gaps in, engagement with and effectiveness of this offer to inform a forward plan addressing the needs of Bristol schools over the next two years. It is evident that there are a variety of providers offering training and development opportunities

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¹ Bristol SEND Annual Parent Survey 2021

focused on SEND across the local area. However there has not previously been an attempt to make this offer coherent and navigable for the SEND workforce. This document seeks to address these issues.

Using the SEND Workforce Development Offer to build skills and understanding

The training and development opportunities set out in the SEND Workforce Development Offer are organised by level and audience. Schools are encouraged to consider the skills and effectiveness of their current workforce when deciding what activities would be helpful by reviewing their SEND Information Reports.

SEND information reports should include information about the expertise and training of staff to support children and young people with SEND. This information should be easily accessible by young people and parents and set out in clear, straightforward language. Providing information about staff training and expertise provides parent carers with confidence that their children's needs can be met and that they will be supported by staff who understand their needs. Keeping this information up to date can also provide an opportunity for schools to reflect on any new training and development needed in response to staff turnover and the changing needs of children over time.

Good practice guidance for Bristol schools about including information about staff training and development in SEND Information Reports has recently been published as part of the focus on SEND workforce development.

Although the Workforce Development Offer describes the training which specifically relates to SEND, schools should consider how other related training and development opportunities can also build the skills, confidence and understanding of staff in relation to CYP. Schools will want to consider how expertise in safeguarding practices, exclusions, attendance and emotional health and wellbeing impacts on outcomes achieved for CYP with SEND. It will also be helpful to think about specific SEND training needed for leaders in these areas, where they are not also the SENDCo in the school. For example, the Designated Safeguarding Lead will need to have a good understanding of the higher risk of abuse faced by CYP with disabilities and Behaviour Leads will need to have a good understanding of effective support for CYP with social emotional and mental health difficulties as well as knowing about exclusions and Alternative Learning Provision. The three priorities in Bristol's Belonging Strategy for Children and Young People may provide prompts for schools when considering how to address the needs of CYP with multiple vulnerabilities when planning continuing professional development for staff:

- Build trusting relationships
- Learn from one another
- Create an effective structure

Levels of learning

Level 1: Awareness raising: introducing skills, concepts and approaches

Training and development opportunities in the SEND Workforce Development Offer which are categorised as 'Level 1' are designed to raise awareness of staff by introducing new skills, concepts and approaches. These activities will often be useful to *all* staff working in schools and may also be helpful to parent carers of CYP with SEND.

Level 2: Enhancing skills and understanding

Level 2 training and development opportunities are designed to enhance the skills and understanding of staff who need or wish to develop their expertise further in a specific area. Staff may be in or aspiring to take on a leadership role or may be working directly with CYP with particular needs.

Level 3: Developing expertise: including delivery of specific interventions

Level 3 training and development opportunities are designed to build on earlier levels of training for staff who already have a good level of understanding and/or who want to develop expertise in specific areas because of their leadership or support roles. These activities include accredited intervention training.

Training for different groups

When identifying the SEND training and development needed within a school, it can be helpful to map out the knowledge skills and understanding of different groups within the school community. The SEND Workforce Development Offer includes information about the audience for whom each activity is suitable. Professional standards and frameworks are available for support staff, teachers, SENDCos, Head Teachers and governors to enable schools to self-evaluate existing expertise and identify professional development needed.

Teaching assistants (TAs)

There are no statutory standards for TAs in England, however <u>Professional standards for teaching assistants</u> were published in 2016 by a group of unions and educational experts.

These standards include the need for TAs to:

 Demonstrate an informed and efficient approach to teaching and learning by adopting relevant strategies to support the work of the teacher and increase achievement of all pupils including, where appropriate, those with special educational needs and disabilities. Similar <u>Professional standards for higher level teaching assistants</u> are available and include the need for HLTAs to

 Know how to support learners in accessing the curriculum in accordance with the special educational needs (SEN) code of practice and disabilities legislation

Assessment of practice against the professional standards for HLTAs is available from the HLTA National Assessment Partnership .

Teachers and SENDCos

The responsibilities of schools to secure teaching and SENDCo expertise in relation to CYP with SEND are described below:

	SEND code of practice (2015)	Governance handbook (2015)	Teachers' standards
Teachers	The quality of teaching for pupils with SEN, and the progress made by pupils, should be a core part of the school's performance management arrangements and its approach to professional development for all teaching and support staff.	Governors must make sure that the teachers in the school are aware of the importance of identifying pupils who have SEN and of providing appropriate teaching	-Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all pupils -Know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable pupils to be taught effectively -Have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit pupils' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these -Demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and know how to adapt teaching to support pupils' education at different stages of development -Have a clear understanding of the needs of all pupils, including those with special educational needs; those with disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.

SENDCos	A newly appointed	Governors must	
	SENDCO must be a	ensure that there	
	qualified teacher	is a qualified	
	and, where they	teacher	
	have not previously	designated as	
	been the SENDCO at	special	
	that or any other	educational	
	relevant school for a	needs co-	
	total period of more	ordinator	
	than twelve months,	(SENDCO) for the	
	they must achieve a	school.	
	National Award in		
	Special Educational		
	Needs Co-ordination		
	within three years of		
	appointment. A		
	National Award		
	must be a		
	postgraduate course		
	accredited by a		
	recognised higher		
	education provider.		

Head Teachers

Non-statutory <u>Headteachers' standards</u> have been produced by the DfE, intended as guidance to be interpreted in the context of each individual headteacher and school. With respect to SEND, Head Teachers need to:

- Ensure the school holds ambitious expectations for all pupils with additional and special educational needs and disabilities
- Establish and sustain culture and practices that enable pupils to access the curriculum and learn effectively
- Ensure the school works effectively in partnership with parents, carers and professionals, to identify the additional needs and special Educational needs and disabilities of pupils, providing support and adaptation where appropriate
- Ensure the school fulfils its statutory duties with regard to the SEND code of practice

Governors

The DfE <u>Competency framework for governance</u> is non statutory guidance to support schools to ensure that their governors and/or trustees have the personal attributes, skills

and knowledge needed for effective governance. With regards to SEND, the framework suggests that *everyone* on the board:

- Questions leaders on how the in-school assessment system in use effectively supports the attainment and progress of all pupils, including those with a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND) and
- Understands the duties relating to special education needs and disabilities (SEND

and that *someone* on the board (often known as the SEND governor or SEND link trustee) understands:

• The requirements relating to the education of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

Outcomes of training and development

The SEND Workforce Development Offer contributes to a number of specific outcomes in the <u>Children and young people's outcomes framework</u> as follows:

- I have developed the right skills to be as independent as possible
- I have the skills to manage my own life as far as possible
- People around me are ambitious for me; stepping in and out to support me when I need it
- I am able to play, have friends and socialise
- I have the right knowledge and support at the right time to help with my own physical and mental health
- I am able to continue to learn new skills and gain knowledge

Future developments

This SEND Workforce Development Offer reflects the current SEND training and development available in Bristol and will be updated regularly in response to needs analysis, This needs analysis will consider feedback from stakeholders (schools, parent carers and professionals), uptake of training by schools and impact evaluation. It is intended that future versions of the SEND Workforce Development Offer will identify more opportunities where parent carers can access training and development alongside schools. This will ensure that key messages are shared and there is a consistent understanding of local approaches and effective practice across the city.

2022 SEND training and development offer

General approach to SEND

Local opportunities

						Audience			
Title	Provider	Focus	Level	LSAs	Teachers	SENDCos	Leaders	Governors	Link
Improving relationships with SEND parents	Murmuration	A short video sharing parents' perspectives about SEND in Bristol. The resource can be used to prompt discussion about current practices in schools and how to communicate effectively	1	LJAS	reactiers	JENDOUS	Leaders	dovernors	Improving Relationships with SEND Parents
In-class SEND support for the four broad areas of need	School Improvement	with parents. One of twelve sessions for recently qualified teachers.	1						RQT Training
SENDCo briefings	Educational Psychology	Updates on local developments.	1						SENDCo comms
SENDCo conference	Educational Psychology	Local and national developments plus CPD workshops.	1						Bristol SENDCo Conference
Attendance for special schools: Understanding school attendance issues	Governor Development Service	Understanding statutory duties and good practice for promoting attendance of vulnerable CYP.	1						GovernorHub
Ordinarily Available Provision	Governor Development Service	Provision to be made ordinarily available for CYP with SEND in mainstream schools.	1						GovernorHub

						Improving Relationships with SEND Parents
Understanding the SEND system	Governor Development Service	Key responsibilities of governing board and role of SEND governor. Bristol approach to SEND.	1			GovernorHub
New SENDCo training	Educational Psychology	Key information for SENDCos new to role.	2			Educational Psychology Service
SENDCo clusters	SENDCo Clusters	Peer support and local SEND updates.	2			SENDCO Clusters
SEND governor network	Governor Development Service	Updates on local developments. Good practice sharing with other SEND governors.	2			GovernorHub

Title	Provider	Focus	Link
A practical guide to supporting young people with	Council for Disabled	A guide to supporting young people (16+) to	Decision Making Toolkit
special educational needs and disabilities to make their	Children	make their own decisions based on the Mental	
own decisions and to be engaged in the best interests		Capacity Act (2005) and Children and Families	
decision making process		Act (2014)	

Cognition and Learning

Local opportunities

						Audience			
Title	Provider	Focus	Level	LSAs	Teachers	SENDCos	Leaders	Governors	Link
MeLSA (mediated learning support assistant) training	Educational Psychology	Supporting the learning needs and independence of CYP with additional learning needs.	3						MeLSA
Inference training	School Improvement	Reading comprehension intervention for CYP who have age appropriate decoding skills but have difficulty acquiring meaning and enjoyment from reading.	3						School Improvement
Every child a reader (reading recovery)	School Improvement	Initial training to become a Reading Recovery Teacher	3						Every Child a Reader (ECaR)
Reading recovery CPD	School Improvement	Continuing professional development for trained Reading Recovery teachers	3						School Improvement
Boosting reading @ Primary (BRP)	School Improvement	1:1 reading intervention which can be delivered by parents and volunteers for struggling readers.	3						School Improvement

Title	Provider	Focus	Link
Dyslexia-SpLD and literacy professional development	The Dyslexia-SPLD Trust	CPD materials focusing on: structure and	The Dyslexia-SPLD Trust
framework		development of language, literacy and learning;	
		theories of dyslexia/SpLD and theories of	
		specialist teaching; identification and assessing;	

		teaching and support strategies; communicating with others.	
Interventions for literacy	The Dyslexia-SPLD Trust	Resources designed to provide information to support schools in identifying suitable interventions for children with literacy difficulties.	Interventions For Literacy
Teaching and learning toolkit	Education Endowment Fund (EEF)	A summary of research to help schools make decisions about teaching practice to help close the attainment gap between children:	Teaching and Learning Toolkit

Speech Language and Communication Needs

Local opportunities

						Audience			
Title	Provider	Focus	Level	LSAs	Teachers	SENDCos	Leaders	Governors	Link
Introduction to speech,	Speech and	An overview of the	1						Sirona Training
language and	Language	different areas of speech,							<u>email</u>
communication needs at	Therapy	language and							
primary		communication; how to							
		identify and support							
		children with SLCN (2							
		places per setting).							
Introduction to speech,	Speech and	An overview of the	1						Sirona Training
language and communication	Language	different areas of SLCN;							email
needs at secondary	Therapy	how to identify and							
		support CYP at secondary							
		school (2 places per							
		setting).							

Means, reasons and	Speech and	Narrated PowerPoint	1			Sirona Training
opportunities model	Language	providing a model of how				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	to ensure that CYP have				
		reasons and opportunities				
		to communicate				
		throughout the day.				
Supporting children's language	Speech and	Narrated PowerPoint	1			Sirona Training
development	Language	providing an introduction				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	to language development				
		and how professionals and				
		parents can help children				
		when they have difficulties				
		understanding and using				
		language.				
Supporting language and	Bristol Early	How to use the BECAT	1			Bristol Early
communication: Bristol Every	Years Teaching	communication and				Years Teaching
Child a Talker (BECAT)	Hub	language assessment tool				<u>Hub</u>
		to identify language				
		support needs and				
		suggested strategies as				
		part of everyday practice.				
		For early years				
		practitioners in schools				
		and settings only.				
The communication pyramid	Speech and	Narrated PowerPoint	1			Sirona Training
	Language	providing a model of				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	typical communication				
		development from birth to				
		competent				
		communicators. Also				
		suitable for parents.				
Using symbols to support early	Speech and	An introduction to Autism	1			Sirona Training
social communication skills	Language	and how to create				email
	Therapy	communication				
		opportunities for				
		communication				

		1			1	1
		throughout the day;				
		symbol communication				
		systems, (2 places per				
		setting).				
Autism Education Trust (AET)	Bristol Autism	An introductory module	1			<u>Bristol Autism</u>
Level 1 (making sense of	Team	about autism for all school				<u>Team</u>
autism)		staff.				
Autism and anxiety	Bristol Autism	Focusing on how anxiety	2			Bristol Autism
	Team	appears in autistic pupils,				<u>Team</u>
		what are the key triggers				
		and what you can do to				
		help.				
Autism and exclusions	Bristol Autism	Focusing on what the key	2			Bristol Autism
	Team	causes are of autistic				<u>Team</u>
		pupils being excluded				
		from school.				
Autistic girls	Bristol Autism	Exploring the female				Bristol Autism
	Team	presentation of autism.				<u>Team</u>
Developing speech sounds	Speech and	An introduction to speech	2			Sirona Training
	Language	sound development and				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	difficulties (unclear				
		speech) and how to these				
		CYP, (2 places per setting).				
Supporting higher level	Speech and	Focusing on understanding	2			Sirona Training
language	Language	and asking questions				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	including a summary of				
		the 4 levels of Blanks				
		Questioning; ideas,				
		activities and resources to				
		support CYP to develop				
		their understanding of				
		question words, (2 places				
		per setting).				

Supporting narrative	Speech and	An introduction to the	2			Sirona Training
development	Language	development of narrative				email
	Therapy	skills such as:				
		understanding wh-				
		questions; sequencing;				
		using descriptive				
		language; problem solving				
		and inference, (2 places				
		per setting).				
Supporting speech sound	Speech and	Narrated PowerPoint	2			Sirona Training
development	Language	providing an overview of				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	speech sound difficulties				
		(unclear speech) and how				
		to support CYP. Also				
		suitable for parents.				
Supporting spoken language	Speech and	An overview of how to	2			Sirona Training
	Language	support spoken language				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	using Colourful Semantics,				
		(2 places per setting).				
Supporting vocabulary	Speech and	An introduction to	2			Sirona Training
development	Language	vocabulary development;				<u>email</u>
	Therapy	how to select vocabulary				
		to teach and an overview				
		of visual teaching				
		strategies, (2 places per				
		setting).				
Understanding and answering	Speech and	Narrated PowerPoint	2			Sirona Training
questions (mountains of	Language	providing a model which				<u>email</u>
questions)	Therapy	explains the typical				
		developmental sequence				
		in which children develop				
		their understanding of				
		questions.				

Understanding language	Speech and Language Therapy	An overview of Information Carrying Words and how to adapt communication and activities to a child's level of understanding, (2	2			Sirona Training email
		places per setting).				
Level 2 AET training 'leading good autism practice'	Bristol Autism Team	For school staff working directly with autistic pupils, looking at practical skills to implement good autism practice.	2			Bristol Autism Team
Talkboost KS1 (ICAN)	Speech and Language Therapy	Talk Boost KS1 is a targeted intervention aimed at children in Reception to Y2 who have delayed language skills. Participants need to have access to the resource pack (approx. £500).	3			Sirona Training email
Talk for work (ICAN)	Speech and Language Therapy	Targeted intervention for students aged 14 to 18 with poor communication skills to be ready for the workplace. Participants need to have access to the resource pack (approx. £250).	3			Sirona Training email

Title	Provider	Focus	Link
AET competency framework	Autism Education Trust	Self-evaluation tool to rate staff understanding	AET Schools Competency
		and knowledge of Good Autism Practice.	<u>Framework</u>
AET progression framework	Autism Education Trust	Interactive assessment tool that helps identify	AET Progression Framework
		learning priorities, set key learning intentions,	
		and track progress for autistic CYP.	
AET standards framework	Autism Education Trust	Used by leaders to support the implementation	AET Schools Standards
		of Good Autism Practice across a whole	<u>Framework</u>
		organisation.	
The speech, language and communication framework	The Communication Trust	Free online professional development tool	SLCF
		which sets out the key skills and knowledge	
		needed by the children and young people's	
		workforce to support the speech, language and	
		communication development of all children and	
		young people	
What works for SLCN	ICAN	Moderated online library of evidenced	What works database
		interventions that aim to support children's	
		speech, language and communication.	

Social Emotional and Mental Health

Local opportunities

						Audience			
Title	Provider	Focus	Level	LSAs	Teachers	SENDCos	Leaders	Governors	Link
Anxiety in 5-11s	Primary Mental Health	What is meant by the term "anxiety" including what is normal and how to identify problematic anxiety in CYP. Causes of anxiety and ways of responding and supporting CYP.	1						Trading with Schools

Emotionally based school refusal	Primary Mental Health	How to identify and respond to Emotionally Based School Avoidance; the impact on the social and emotional wellbeing of CYP as well as their broader development and educational attainment; support strategies for children, families and school settings.	1			Trading with Schools
Emotion coaching	Bristol Early Years Teaching Hub	Supporting children to understand the emotions they experience and how to handle them; using Emotion Coaching as a strategy to support behaviour using a variety of tools. For early years practitioners in schools and settings only.	1			Bristol Early Years Teaching Hub
Trauma and attachment	Primary Mental Health	Ways in which trauma impacts CYP including an exploration of risk and resilience; how schools can respond in a trauma informed way in order to best support CYP.	1			Trading with Schools
ACEs trauma and resilience	Educational Psychology	Whole school training to increase understanding and awareness of ACEs, trauma and resilience.	1			Wellbeing catalogue

Behaviour as communication	North Star 82	Delivered as part of	1			North Star 82
	Outreach	outreach program for individual pupils.				
Practical perspectives on	Lansdown	Practical approaches to	1			<u>Early</u>
SEMH: attachment styles,	Park Academy	managing interactions				<u>Intervention</u>
effective strategies and		with CYP from an				<u>Base</u>
interventions, regulation and		attachment-aware				
attunement.		perspective as part of 12-				
		week pupil focused				
		outreach.				
Supporting anxiety for students	Educational	Introduction to anxiety	1			Supporting
and parents	Psychology	and its impact on CYP;				<u>anxiety</u>
		strategies to support				
		CYP and their parents.				
Team Teach - positive	Bristol Primary	De-escalation, techniques,	1			BPTSA
behaviour management Level 1	Training and	strategies and				
	Support	environmental				
	Alliance	considerations for				
		reducing the impact and				
		frequency of challenging				
		behaviour. For settings				
		with few occurrences of				
		challenging behaviour.				
Theoretical perspectives on	Lansdown	The theory behind	1			<u>Early</u>
SEMH: the impact of ACEs and	Park Academy	managing interactions				Intervention
trauma		with CYP from an				<u>Base</u>
		attachment-aware				
		perspective as part of 12-				
		week pupil focused				
		outreach				
Working with CYP with SEMH:	North Star 82	Delivered as part of an	1			North Star 82
key considerations	Outreach	outreach program for				
		individual pupils				
Trauma and adversity training	KCA	Trauma and adversity and	1			Keeping Bristol
,		the impact on brain				Safe
		development and				<u>Partnership</u>

		relationships; vulnerability to and recovery from trauma; managing the impact of working with CYP who have experienced trauma				
Tackling peer on peer harm in education	Safeguarding in Education Team	Managing peer on peer abuse incidents in schools	1			Safeguarding Training
Universal and whole school approach to wellbeing	Educational Psychology	Focus on evidence based and informed practices to promote CYP wellbeing and resilience	1			Universal and whole school approach to wellbeing
Behaviour policy and practice	Governor Development Service	Behaviour policy development; preventing exclusions; links between behaviour and emotional health and wellbeing	1			GovernorHub
Team Teach - positive behaviour management Level 2	Bristol Primary Training and Support Alliance	Managing behaviour of CYP who pose a risk to themselves or others: understanding behaviour, de-escalation and crisis intervention.	2			BPTSA
Working effectively with specialist CAMHS	Primary Mental Health	Covering the CAMHS iThrive model and CAMHS thresholds. Roles of and referrals to the specialist CAMHS services including what to do in urgent and emergency situations.	2			Trading with Schools
Restorative approaches in schools	Educational Psychology	Whole school training and supervision for schools in	2			Wellbeing catalogue

		using Restorative				
		Approaches.				
Secondary designated teacher training: Practical ways to support children who have experienced trauma	Hope Virtual School	Relationships, emotions, regulation and transitions at the child, class and whole school level.	2			Hope Virtual School
SEMH champions training	Inclusive City	Planning support for CYP with SEMH needs and how to develop staff in schools.	2			SEMH Champions
Emotional Literacy Support Assistant Training (ELSA)	Educational Psychology	Developing and delivering individualised support programmes to meet the emotional needs of CYP.	3			Emotional Literacy Support Assistants (ELSA)
DNA-v wellbeing intervention	Educational Psychology	Intervention training and supervision for DNA-v (designed to help CYP cope with challenges, stress, and change).	3			Wellbeing catalogue
Emotion coaching	Educational Psychology	Training to use Emotion Coaching at moments of heightened emotion and behaviour to guide CYP about more effective responses.	3			Wellbeing catalogue
Mind aid	Off The Record	How to deliver the MindAid program, focused on managing better in a stressful world.	3			Wellbeing catalogue
Resilience lab	Off The Record	How to deliver the Resilience Lab Programme, teaching CYP about self-care and how to bounce back.	3			Wellbeing catalogue

Shameless	Off The Record	How to deliver the	3			Wellbeing
		Shameless programme				<u>catalogue</u>
		focusing on issues around				
		body image and low self-				
		esteem.				
Leading behaviour and culture	Five Counties	For those who have, or	3			<u>National</u>
(NPQLBC)	Teaching	aspire to have,				<u>Professional</u>
	Schools Hub	responsibility for leading				Qualifications
	Alliance	behaviour and/or pupil				
		wellbeing in school.				
Bristol healthy schools awards	Healthy	Builds on the essential	3			Bristol Healthy
(specialist/advanced award:	Schools	award. Creating a whole				<u>Schools</u>
mental health and wellbeing)		school culture that				
		supports positive pupil				
		and staff mental health				
		and helps those with				
		mental health difficulties.				

Title	Provider	Focus	Link
Mental health and behaviour in schools	DfE	Guidance on: how to create a whole school culture, including promoting positive mental health; understanding the link between mental health and behaviour; identification of children with possible mental health problems; how to support CYP, including working with external agencies where required.	Mental health and behaviour in schools
MindEd education	MindEd	Wide range of free materials for the education workforce covering many topics on Mental Health in respect of young people:	MindEd Hub
Preventing and tackling bullying (including cyberbullying)	DfE	Advice and guidance on face-to face and cyberbulling.	Preventing bullying

Physical and/or Sensory Local opportunities

						Audience			
Title	Provider	Focus	Level	LSAs	Teachers	SENDCos	Leaders	Governors	Link
Anaphylaxis and epilepsy	School Nursing	_	1						School Health
		on anaphylaixis and							Nursing
		epilepsy.							
An introduction to supporting	Sensory	Causes of brain related	1						<u>Sensory</u>
children and young people with	Support	vision difficulties and the							Support
brain related vision difficulties		impact on daily activities							<u>Service</u>
including Cerebral Visual		and accessing the							
Impairment (CVI)		curriculum; practical							
		strategies to support							
		inclusion.							
Moving and handling	Physiotherapy	Health and safety	1						Moving and
		legislation; risk							handling
		assessment; manual							training email
		handling aids; techniques							
		for manual handling of							
		CYP.							
Sensory processing difficulties	Occupational	Training video for	1						Sensory
	therapy	professionals and parents							Processing
		explaining about different							<u>Difficulties</u>
		kinds of sensory							
		processing difficulties and							
		strategies which help							
Sensory processing workshop	Occupational	Short video suitable for	1						Sensory
film	therapy	schools and parents							Processing
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	introducing sensory							Workshop Film
		processing.							

Supporting the communication	Speech and	An overview of	1			Sirona Training
skills of deaf children	Language	communication difficulties				email
	Therapy	sometimes experienced by				
	' '	deaf children and				
		strategies and activities to				
		support their speech,				
		language and social				
		development, (2 places				
		per setting).				
Introduction to sensory	Sensory	Bespoke training for	1			<u>Sensory</u>
impairment	Support	schools supporting a CYP				Support
		with SI.				<u>Service</u>
Best practice for supporting	Sensory	The impact of a hearing	2			<u>Sensory</u>
deaf pupils (online training)	Support	loss (including those who				<u>Support</u>
		have additional needs) on				<u>Service</u>
		development; using				
		technology; the				
		importance of assessment;				
		strategies for including				
		pupils with a hearing loss.				
Supporting children and	Sensory	Understanding vision	2			<u>Sensory</u>
students with a vision	Support	impairment, social and				<u>Support</u>
impairment (online course)		emotional development,				<u>Service</u>
		technology, practical ways				
		of accessing the				
		curriculum.				
Occupational therapy training	Occupational	Child specific training	2			<u>Occupational</u>
	Therapy	including handwriting				<u>Therapy</u>
		support, sensory support,				
		functional skill				
		development and how to				
		run specific programmes				
		such as SMART moves and	1			
		Speed Up.				

Using equipment for CYP with sensory impairment	Sensory Support	Bespoke for schools supporting a CYP with SI.	2			Sensory Support
						<u>Service</u>
Working with CYP with complex	Lifetime	Bespoke training for staff	3			<u>Lifetime</u>
medical difficulties		working with CYP with				
		complex medical				
		conditions covering topics				
		such as suctioning,				
		tracheostomy care and				
		seizure management.				
Supporting children and	Sensory	Access to the curriculum,	3			Sensory
students with a vision	Support	enhancing the learning				Support
impairment in specialist		environment, promoting				Service
settings (online course)		visual skills, cerebral visual				
,		impairment and tactile				
		learning.				

Title	Provider	Focus	Link
Effective practice hub	pdnet	Useful resources to help support children and young people with physical disability including information and advice leaflets, case studies, risk assessment examples and 'top tips'.	Effective Practice Hub
Working with deaf children and young people	NCDS	Range of workshops, webinars and e-learning modules to help build knowledge and skills in working with deaf children and young people.	NCDS training courses for professionals
Mainstream training pack	NATSIP	Designed to improve the confidence and basic skills of LSAs, teachers and SENDCOs in mainstream or special school staff who are new to working with CYP with a sensory impairment.	NatSIP Mainstream Training Pack

Raising awareness of physical disability	pdnet	Free online training module designed for anyone working within an educational setting who needs to develop their awareness and understanding of physical disability and the impact it can have on learning	pdnet Level 1 Training
Supporting pupils with medical conditions at school	DfE	Overview of the legislative responsibilities towards pupils with medical conditions, plus practical guidelines on topics such as keeping and storing medications in school and organising out-of-school activities.	Supporting pupils with medical conditions at school
What works database	NATSIP	The What Works Database contains listings of resources relating to supporting young people with sensory impairment.	What Works Database