

## Completing the EHC Needs Assessment Contributions Form – Guidance for Educational Settings

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## Introduction

The new EHC Needs Assessment Contributions form should be completed on Bristol City Council's Professional Portal. The purpose of this form is to capture contributions to a child/young person's statutory Education, Health and Care (EHC) Needs Assessment.

The Professional Portal is for 'external' professionals such as Educational settings, Health and other independent organisations/individuals.

It allows professionals to fill in 'forms' relating to children/young people they are working with and submit them securely to Bristol City Council's case management system, Liquidlogic. Submitted forms can then be viewed (as read only) by the relevant team/s, for example SEND.

This guidance is designed to support SENDCo's/other professionals in educational settings to pick up, fill in and submit the EHC Needs Assessment Contributions form on the portal.

For general guidance on using the Professional Portal (for example registering, logging in/out, how to get support), please follow the guidance called **Using the Professional Portal – Guidance for Professionals**.

**Important**: Anything you enter in the contribution form will be shared with the young person/parents/carers and other professionals involved with the young person. It will appear in the EHCP (if there is a decision to issue). Please consider this when writing your contribution.

# Receiving and filling in the EHC Needs Assessment Contributions form

When Bristol's SEND team are requesting an EHC Needs Assessment Contribution from the Educational Setting, they will send it directly to the named professional according to their records (often the SENDCo) on the portal.

This section explains how to access and fill in the form on the Professional Portal.

As you work through the form you can **Save** and **Close** at any time using the buttons at the bottom of the page. Once saved the form can be accessed again any time from your **Tasks to complete** page – you don't have to complete the form all in one go. It is good practice to save regularly.

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**Note:** if you have reviewed the child/young person's details and found that someone else within the setting should complete the contribution form, leave the form uncompleted in the portal and contact the Bristol SEND team. They will need to 'retract' the form from you so that it disappears from the portal and send it to the correct person for completion.

1. When a form is assigned to you for completion, an email will be sent to your work email address:

New SEND form to complete
A new form has been delegated to you on the Professional Portal.
Please complete and submit this form by 27-Oct-2021.
Log in to the portal to complete the form. If you have not already done so you will be required to register for access using this email address
Many thanks,
Bristol SEND Team

The email will include the statutory due date for the contribution to be submitted by.

- When you're ready to view/complete the contribution, log into the Professional Portal (see Using the Professional Portal – Guidance for Professionals for guidance on how to do this).
- 3. Once logged into the portal, you will be taken straight to the **Tasks to complete** page where any forms assigned to you will be displayed.
- 4. Navigate to the relevant form and click on it:

#### **Professional Portal - tasks to complete**

Currently Assigned Tasks	Recently Retracted 1	lasks 🛛	Recently Sub	mitted Task
Task List				
	Name	Due Date	Comments	

5. Review the details on the first tab:

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Pr	ofessiona	l Portal		
1 2	Educational Setting Professional Contribution to EHCNA	Name: Jimmy Example I Form Type: EHC Needs A	DOB: 06-Feb-2014 sseessment Contributions	Required By: 15-Jun-2022 Sent By: Department: EHM Telephone: Address: EHM
3	Attach supporting documents	Educational Setting School/Early Years Setting/Colleg Child/Young Person Key		
		First name:	Jimmy	
		Last name:	Example	
		Preferred name:	Jimmy	
		Preferred pronoun: e.g. They/She/He	Не	

This page will display read only details held by Bristol City Council about the child/young person.

6. Click **Next** at the bottom of the form to get to the contribution section:

				Next →
Print	PDF	<u>Close</u>	Save	Submit Contribution

Section A

1. The first part of **Section A** will display a read only copy of the Child/Young Person and Family Views. Review the information supplied:

	or Young Person's Views, Interests and Aspir	, · · ·
Here and Now		
reading. I like school and my teache football. I don't like it when	cate with others by speaking to them but I listen to people using n r Mrs Hanson really helps me. My favourite lessons are Maths, Hisl n the classroom gets very noisy and I don't like it when changes ha ke my visual timetable, it really helps me and I am trying very hard	ory and PE as I really like playing open that I'm not ready for -it
Hopes and Dreams		
	o more on my own like my friends, like going on the bus, riding a bi Ip when I need it without getting really anxious. I would like to be o swim.	
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Family Views and Aspirations (Section A)

Summary of key events in your child's history and how this impacts on them now:
Billie lost his hearing when he was 3 years of age after contracting meningitis. He had cochlear implants when he was 5 years old and although our family understand Billie, strangers sometimes find some of the things he says difficult to understand. Billie has settled well into school and has a small number of friends but he does become anxious quickly when out in the shops as people stare at him.
I do worry about Billie's health and also about his safety when we go out and about as he has no sense of danger. He does like going for family walks with his Mum and grandparents but has not been able to learn to ride a bike as yet.
Are there any other views and aspirations you would like to add which are not in 'All About Me'?
I would like Billie to become more independent and learn to do more things for himself such as doing his shoe laces, catching the bus to school on his own (as I take him at the moment) and help more around the house.
Are there family, friends or others who are important to your child?
Mum Grandma Barbara Grandad Paul Mrs Hanson (teacher)
Strengths:
Billie is a happy and chatty boy who is always smiling and loves telling jokes. He tries so hard at school even when the subject is very hard for him and is determined to do well.

2. Next you will be asked to fill in the remainder of **Section A** as appropriate to your relationship with the young person. This section should be a celebration of their strengths and qualities:

Educational Setting - Professional Contribution to Statutory EHC Needs Assessment (Section A):

Areas of strength identified:

Note: this question should only be answered if you have a relationship with the child/young person and/or you want to contribute in this way. It is not mandatory.

Areas of strength identified by Educational setting...

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From your relationship with the child/young person, what would you like to tell them about their qualities and strengths? What do you like and admire about them?

Your answer should be addressed to the child/young person. E.g. 'When we last met I noticed how kind you were to your friends and teachers'... 'I really enjoy working with you because you tell me lots of jokes, which makes me happy'... 'When we spent time together I noticed how carefully you listened to instructions and that you asked questions if you weren't feeling sure about what to do next'...

Note: this question should only be answered if you have a relationship with the child/young person and/or you want to contribute in this way. It is not mandatory.

X, you are a kind and caring person....

Sally SENDCo

**Note:** It is helpful if you 'sign off' your comments as in the example above so it is clear who has written it.

### **Outcomes (Section E)**

1. Next, record any **Outcomes** you have identified (if applicable) which are in addition to those already identified by SEND. Outcomes already identified will be displayed in read only format as below.

	oung person and parents/carers based upon 'All About Me
and 'Family Views and Aspirations':	
Outcomes (E):	
Long and medium term: for the next 2-3 years / key stage	Which Child and Young People's Outcomes Framework theme is the outcome working towards?
Jimmy will be able to go places with no support such as on a bus or riding a bike by the time he is 14 years old.	Independent Lives *
Jimmy will be able to go out with his friends independently by the time he is 16 years old.	Family, Friends & Community *
Jimmy will be able to write or type two pages of literacy by the time he is 12 years old.	Learning Employment & Positive Contr *
Jimmy will be able to feel confident in his communication with others by the time he is 13 years old.	Good Health & Wellbeing *

If you wish to add additional Outcomes, record the Outcome in the first column and in the next column you should select the **Children and Young People's Outcomes Framework Theme** the outcome best relates to:

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Outcomes (E): Long and medium term: for the next 2-3 years / key stage. Outcomes should be SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound)	Which Child and Young People's Outcomes Framework theme is the outcome working towards? <u>Children and Young People's Outcomes Framework</u>
Additional Outcome 1	Good Health & Wellbeing *
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**Note:** you can click on the link provided for additional information on identifying outcomes and themes under the Children and Young People's Outcomes Framework:

Please record any <b>additional long and mec</b> nvolvement with the child/young person	lium term outcomes you have identified from your (if applicable):
Outcomes (E): Long and medium term: for the next 2-3 years /	Which Child and Young People's Outcomes Framework theme is the outcome working towards?
key stage. Outcomes should be <b>SMART</b> (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound)	Children and Young People's Outcomes Framework
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Special Educational Needs (Section B)

1. If you have identified any Special Educational Needs (B), record these in the table provided:

What Special Educational Need	s have you identified	?
Special Educational Needs category	Need (B)	Impact and how does this affect the child/young person?
Sensory &/or Physical Needs	• Need 1	Impact
Communication & Interaction	• Need 2	Impact
		Full screen + -



### Specific Provision (Section F) and additional 'Specific Strategies'

- 1. If you have identified any Specific Provision (F), fill out the details in the table provided recording one provision per row on the table:
  - **Specific Provision**: in this column you should provide a concise description of the provision that will be put in place/is in place
  - **How often:** in this column you should record the length, frequency and duration of the provision if possible e.g. *20 mins, weekly, for 6 weeks*. This is important because it makes it clear to families exactly what provision they will receive and ensures provision is specific and quantifiable. It also makes it much easier to deliver and review the EHCP if there is one issued.
  - Group size: e.g. 1:1, group of up to 20 etc. if applicable
  - **By whom:** the person or professional role who will deliver the provision
  - Which SEN Category will this provision meet?: select the SEN categories identified which this provision will meet. It is essential that any need categories identified in Section B are being met by a Provision. The picklist allows you to select multiple categories, as one provision may meet multiple need categories.
  - Which Outcomes Framework theme is this provision working towards?: from the identified outcomes, record which Outcomes Framework theme this provision is working towards. If it applies to several select the outcome theme the provision most relates to.

pecific Provision (Section The special education prov funded by the local author	ision required by t	he child or young	g person. This pro	ovision would be
<b>Specific Provision - (F)</b> Provision should be <b>SMART</b> (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time- bound)	How often E.g. 20 mins, weekly, for 6 weeks	Group size	By whom	Is provision al
Provision 1	1 hour, weekly	1:1	X	No
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**Note:** You can click **Full screen** to expand the table (this will display all columns without needing to scroll)

2. Next, answer the questions relating to 'Specific Strategies'. If there are specific strategies, and these are not 'Ordinarily Available Provision', a table will open allowing you to record them:

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Are any additional 'Specific Strategies' required?	® Yes ○ No	
Is this already available in the Ordinarily Available Provision (OAP)? <u>Ordinarily Available</u> <u>Provision</u>	⊖ Yes ⊛ No	
Additional Specific Str	rategies h should be ordinarily available within educational settings	By whom
Specific strategies		x

**Note:** use the link provided to view additional information about what is counted as 'Ordinarily Available Provision'. **Note:** You can click **Full screen** to expand the table (this will display all columns without needing to scroll)

3. Finally, record your name and select the relevant option from the picklist under **Additional information**:

Additional Informatio	on					
Name of professional who has contributed to this EHCNA:	Sally	SENDCo				
Team/Service/Establi shment:		ool/Early Yea	ars Setting/C	College		*
4. Click <b>Next</b> :						
					Next	
	Print	PDF	Close	Save	Submit Contribution	

5. If you wish to attach additional documents (Appendices) to your contribution you can do so on the final page by clicking **Choose File**:

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	Contribution to EHCNA	Attach currenting documon	<b>+</b> c		4	address: En	IVI		
3	Attach supporting documents	Attach supporting documen							
		← Previous							
			Print	PDF	Close	Save	Submit Contribution		

**Note:** You can attach multiple documents if required. The accepted file types are: Word (doc & docx), PDF, JPG, PNG. The maximum file size is 10MB.

6. Click **Save** and then **Close** if you need to come back to the form, or go straight to submitting the form (see section below):



# Submitting the contribution to SEND and downloading a copy

The SENDCo/other Educational Setting professional should submit the form to SEND and download a copy of the contribution form if required (for internal records).

1. Open the contribution form and navigate to the second tab. Enter the date you are submitting it in the field provided:

Date contribution submitted to SEND:	09-11-2021	曲
<ol> <li>Once you are ready to Contribution:</li> </ol>	send your form back to E	Bristol City Council, click Submit
	Close Save Submit Contribu	tion
3. Click <b>Yes</b> on the pop-	up (unless you do need to	make further changes):
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Submit Form	>
Have you entered all the information you nee You will not be able to make any further chan once you press the 'Submit' button.	

**Note:** if you wish to PDF your form before submitting you can click the **PDF** button before submitting:

<u>Print</u>	PDF	<u>Close</u>

Alternatively, once you have submitted the form you will be able to access and download it for **30 days** after submission:

1. Navigate to the Recently Submitted Tasks tab:

Currently Assigned Tasks	Recently Retracted Tasks	Recently Submitted Tasks

2. Click on the form you wish to view and it will automatically download:

Currently Assigned Tasks	Recently Retracted Tasks	Recently Submitted Tasks
Recently Submitted Forms (Last 30 Days)		
Form Type	Name	Date Submitted
EHC Needs Assessment Contributions	Gabriel Example	03-Sep-2021 13:12
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