

DSPL 1 (North Herts)

Tip: Ctrl F to search key words	QUICK LINKS			
A selection of the new listings	SAVE THE DATE – 25 April 2024 9:30am to 2pm DSPL 1 Parent Information Event: Speakers, Information & Lunch		10 Week Course. <u>Guide</u> to parenting children with Autism or ADHD. Morning and Evening Options	Autism in Schools' Webinar
	PDA, ODD and ADHD — <u>Understanding</u> the Difference	Understanding <u>Medication</u> Options	ASD/ADHD <u>Anxiety</u> & Stress (Evening)	Animated films – advice/guidance on managing emotional needs
	<u>Local</u> Offer	Up on <u>Downs</u>	DS <u>Achieve</u>	Lending SPACE
SEND	North Herts Family Centre	Abilities in Me	Down's <u>Syndrome</u> Listening Service	
Autism, ADHD,	Angels <u>Support</u> Group	ADD-vance	SPACE in Herts	Potential Kids
Neurodiversity	Ambitious About Autism	Autism <u>Hertfordshire</u> Transition Service for 16-20 year olds	<u>SPRINGBOARD</u>	ADHD Foundation
	CYPMHS Service Directory - SW (justtalkherts.org)	NHS Herts <u>Community</u> Trust	Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Courses and Resources	NHS <u>HPFT</u> IAPT Improving Access to Psychological Therapies – online portal for mental health services
	<u>NESSie</u>	Mind Hertfordshire Network CYP Digital Wellbeing	WithYouth (Mind Network) Herts Mind Network	First Steps <u>ED</u>
Mental Health & Wellbeing	Just <u>Talk</u> Herts	The Ollie Foundation	Togetherall	BeeZee Bodies
wenbeing	Lumi Nova Herts Mind Network Children and Young People (withyouth.org) Fun, Digital Therapeutic Intervention supporting 7-12 yr olds to manage fears and anxieties		Carers in Herts (<u>CAMHS</u> Support)	Young Minds
	Courses Coming Up Hertfordsh (hertsmindnetwork.org)	ire Mind Network	SandBox	This May <u>Help</u>
	Services for <u>Young</u> People	Family Lives	The Hertfordshire Local Offer	Carewaves and Newsletters - Carers In Herts
Parenting & Young People	<u>Families</u> in Focus	Families First (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Capa First Response You are not We support families and professionals im	pacted by child or adolescent on parent
	Supporting Links	Families Feeling <u>Safe</u>	abuse. Child/adolescent on parent abuse	support



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Further Signposting	 Contact a SEND service (hertfordshire.gov.uk) ISL SEND Advice for Parents/Carers (hertfordshirefamiliesfirst.org.uk) Guest Blog SFYP - Moving on from school (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Herts Parent Carer Involvement (hertsparentcarers.org.uk) Webinars Herts Parent Carer Involvement (hertsparentcarers.org.uk) Home (hertssendiass.org.uk) 	 Preparing for adulthood (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Help for children who aren't attending school regularly (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Caring for your health into adulthood (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Deaf and Hearing Support Service (hertfordshire.gov.uk) SEND documents and resources (hertfordshire.gov.uk) The Dyslexia-SpLD Trust - Parents
Neurodiversity Support Hub	Making SEND Everyone's Business - investing in our well For Parents, Carers and Professionals Offer support, signposting and guidance about a whole range of things including but not limited to: Understanding ADHD/Autism Distressed Behaviours Anxiety School	The phones are answered by our team of parents and carers of neurodivergent children and young peole. O1727 833 963 supporthub@add-vance.org Open Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm [please note the service can't give: Updates, fast track places on waiting lists, recommend specific private assessors]
SEND 0-25 Advice Lines	Early years (0 - 5) advice line O14 42 453 920 Wednesday 9am - 12pm and Thursday 1.30pm - 4pm (term time only) Speech, language, communication and autism needs advice line: O14 42 453 920 Tuesday and Wednesday 1.30pm - 4pm (term time only)	Physical and neurological impairment advice line O14 42 453 920 Mondays 1.30pm - 4pm (term time only) Specific Learning Difficulties advice line O14 42 453 920 Thursday 9.30am - 12pm (term time only)

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ECHP – Notice for Parents	The Hertfordshire SEND partnership are committed to improving the quality of EHCP's for children and young people in Hertfordshire; ensuring plans are of high quality and meaningfully capture children and young people's: views, experiences, needs and outcomes, and specify provision. To support with achieving this aim, there will be regular multi-agency audits of EHCP's. These multi-agency audits involve professionals from education (school representatives, specialist advisory teachers, educational psychologists and members of the statutory SEND service), health, social care, SENDIASS and the Herts Parent Carer Involvement coming together to audit the quality of a random selection of EHCP's. Professionals then work together to identify areas of good practice and areas where learning is required. These events are crucial for supporting improvements in practice across the system. This may therefore mean that your child's plan could be selected for audit and shared with the above professionals for auditing purposes. All professionals involved in multi-agency audits of EHCPs are required to comply with Data Protection legislation and confidentiality duties, which restrict the sharing of information pertaining to your child's EHCP outside of the auditing activity. If you wish to opt out and do not wish for your child's EHCP to be included in our quality assurance audits, please email the Quality Assurance Service at: policyandpractice@hertfordshire.gov.uk
Survey Identify the areas of need for Deaf Children and Young Adults in Hertfordshire	To help Phoenix identify the areas of need for Deaf children and Young Adults in Hertfordshire, please complete the following questionnaire, which should take no more than a few minutes. We also attach questionnaires for parents and carers and young people 16+ if you would please kindly share with those who you work with. Questionnaire for professionals working with Deaf and Hard of Hearing children and young people with additional SEND needs: https://forms.gle/UwrXuyDMYyURaPnW8 Questionnaire for professionals working with d/Deaf and HOH Young Adults (16-30) and parents of d/Deaf and HOH children and young people. https://forms.gle/42YD7TmY2nnTrDza6 To share Questionnaire for Young Adults aged 16 – 30: https://forms.gle/SvidqmuSd42EAmK76 Questionnaire for Parents of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children and Young People: https://forms.gle/rC2soZYJdmdHh19N8 Questionnaire for Parents/Carers of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Young Adults with Additional SEND needs. https://forms.gle/rC2soZYJdmdHh19N8



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	SAVE THE DATE – 25 April 2024 9:30am to 2:45pm			
	Parent Information Event – FREE event providing local information for			
	parents/carers, guest speakers & lunch.			
	See website to book your place:		Diary	
DSPL 1 Parent	All Training, Workshops & Events - Book Parent Information Event (nhdspl.org.uk	1	Jate	
Information Event	We have over 20 organisations coming along and a great line		duce	
	up of guest speakers with topics including Autism and Girls,			
	Resilience, Anxiety and Emotionally Based School Attendance,			
	Digital Resources, Boxing.			
	Herts Parent Carer Involvement HPCI 'Autism in Schools' Webinar for Parent Carers	Microsoft	t Virtual Events Powered by	
NEW LISTING WEEKLY 89	13 March 2024 10am to 12pm	<u>Teams</u>		
	Speakers include: Angels, ADD-vance, Autism in Hertfordshire, Carers in Herts, HCC,			
	Hertfordshire Local Offer, Mind Herts, NHS, Potential Kids, SPACE			
Secondary School	https://mailchi.mp/070db245f4e8/transitionsurvey			
Information Day Survey	For parents/carers of Year 6 SEND children following the open days at Secondary Schools – your feedback is important – please			
information bay survey	take a moment to complete this short survey following the open days.			



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Provider	Course/Booking	Key Topics
Family Lives	Within My Reach Within my Reach 8-week programme is for specifically designed for parents living together or apart, who are facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground in raising their neurodiverse child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance relationships, strengthen parenting skills and create a more harmonious home environment	Within My Reach – 8 week programme, facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground raising neurodiverse child. Who can attend:
	Two courses will be delivered MS Teams over 8 sessions on the following dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays 27 & 29 February, 5 & 7 March, 12 & 14 March and 19 & 21 March 2024 7.00pm to 9.00pm, Via MS Teams Wednesdays & Saturdays 28 February & 2 March, 6 & 9 March, 13 & 16 March and 20 & 23 March 2024 Wednesday 7-9pm & Saturdays 10am-12pm, Via MS Teams To book a place please click here for our online referral form Reducing Parental Conflict Parenting, or for further information please call 0204 522 8700 / 0204 522 8699 or email services@familylives.org.uk	 Parents who are experiencing conflicts and challenges due to the neurodiversity of their child Parents who want to improve communication and build stronger partnership in parenting and coparenting their neurodiverse child. Parents seeking guidance, support, and practical strategies to navigate the unique challenges of raising a neurodiverse child
WORKSHOPS, COURS	ES AND TRAINING	
NEW LISTING WEEKLY 89	Carers in Hertfordshire – Information Event Are you a parent carer of a child or young person aged 5-18 with a special educational need or disability? Come along to chat with services about how they can help you and/or the young person you care for. Representatives from Hertfordshire County Council, the NHS, local charities, support groups and more! A light lunch will be served at 1pm. 11 March 2024 10am to 2:30pm Roe Hill Hall, Hatfield	For more details or to book a place Call 01992 586 969 Email contact@carersinherts.org.uk or book online: Parent Carer Information Event - Carers In Herts
NEW LISTING WEEKLY 89	Herts Parent Carer Involvement HPCI 'Autism in Schools' Webinar for Parent Carers 13 March 2024 10am to 12pm Speakers include: Angels, ADD-vance, Autism in Hertfordshire, Carers in Herts, HCC, Hertfordshire Local Offer, Mind Herts, NHS, Potential Kids, SPACE	Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams
Ambitious about Autism	Quality of life at home toolkit Ambitious about Autism Quality of life at home toolkit – series of five animated films provides advice and guidance on managing the emotional needs of autistic children and young people.	Animated films – advice/guidance on managing emotional needs



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	Autism Central for Parents and Carers Autism Central	Peer Education Programme - support		
	The Autism Central Peer Education Programme is for parents, carers and Personal			
	Assistants of autistic people. Support is provided by parents and carers of autistic people			
Aution Control	who are happy to share their knowledge and experience with others.			
Autism Central	Listen, offer guidance and tell you about services that are available in your local area.			
	Navigate you to services that can make a difference and empower you. Increase your			
	knowledge, understanding and provide you with skills to last. Essex County Council			
	Autism Central			
	Level 1 Autism Training eLearning	Level 1 Autism Training e-learning		
	This online training will take about 30 minutes to complete. It aims to develop an			
	understanding of:			
	Some basic principles of autism, challenging some myths and stereotypes			
Hertfordshire Autism	The strengths and areas of difference			
	Simple reasonable adjustments and strategies for practitioners to consider.			
	To complete the training please follow the link, you will be prompted to complete a short			
	form and be re-directed to the training: <u>Autism elearning form (contensis.com)Autism</u>			
	elearning form (contensis.com)			
SPACE Herts	Charity supporting families of children and young people who are neurodivergent (Autism, ADHD, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia,			
SPACE HEILS	Dyscalculia, Tourette's and other neurodiverse conditions).			
	<u>Understanding Autism Workshop Tickets, Thu 29 Feb 2024 at 19:00 Eventbrite</u>	Understanding Autism		
	PDA, ODD and ADHD: Understanding the Differences Workshop Tickets, Fri 1 Mar 2024 at	PDA, ODD and ADHD –		
	10:00 Eventbrite	Understanding the Difference		
SPACE Herts	Sleep Tight - 3 week course Tickets, Tue 5 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Sleep Tight – 3 week course		
	Tourette's Workshop Tickets, Tue 5 Mar 2024 at 18:30 Eventbrite	Tourette's Workshop		
	Anxiety and SEND Tickets, Wed 6 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Anxiety and SEND		
	Understanding Specific Literacy Difficulties Including Dyslexia Tickets, Thu 7 Mar 2024 at	Understanding Specific Literacy		
	10:00 Eventbrite	Difficulties incl Dyslexia		
SPACE Herts	FOR PAID ACTIVITIES AND SESSIONS SEE: SPACE HERTFORDSHIRE Events Eventbrite	Additional Activities		



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Angels Support Group	Angels is charity that supports families of a diagnosis).	utistic children and/or children who have A	DHD (and those awaiting
	Virtual Meeting via Zoom 10am to 12pm	Face to Face meeting Stevenage 10am to 12pm The Phoenix Group	
Angels Support Group	 5 Mar – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 12 Mar – Workshop – Specialist Advisory Support Service – Masking in schools: things to help 19 Mar – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 26 Mar – Workshop: What makes a good EHCP 	 29 Feb – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 7 Mar – Meet Up and Chat 14 Mar – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 21 Mar – Meet Up and Chat 28 Mar – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 	Support Groups and workshops, Meet up and Chat www.angelssuupportgroup.org.uk / Angels Spring Term Programme (angelssupportgroup.org.uk)
	Wednesday 10am to 12pm, Letchworth Pod ■ 20 Mar – Meet Up and Chat	 Evening Meeting via Zoom 7:30pm to 8:30pm 7 Mar – Evening Parent/Carer Support Group 28 Mar – Evening Parent/Carer Support Group 	
	Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.go Membership (free) is required: Membership Applica	ov.uk)	
ADD-Vance	A registered charity with a team of over 20 dedicated trainers, coaches, admin staff and volunteers – supporting families of children with ADHD and/or Autism. Some HCC Funded workshops are recorded to enable you to watch at a convenient time.		
ADD-vance Eventbrite	SLEEP ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP for Parents/Carers Tickets, Fri 1 Mar 2024 at 13:30 Eventbrite		Sleep Support Group
ADD-vance Eventbrite	<u>Tips & Tools to Encourage Positive Behaviour - FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Mon 4</u> <u>Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite</u>		Tips/Tools Encourage Positive Behaviour
ADD-vance Eventbrite	Understanding ADHD - FREE ONLINE WORKSH Eventbrite	Understanding ADHD - FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Tue 5 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Und Eventbrite	
ADD-vance Eventbrite	PDA ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP for Parents/Carers Tickets, Tue 5 Mar 2024 at 13:30 Eventbrite		PDA Online Support Group
ADD-vance Eventbrite	Understanding Medication Options - FREE ON 10:00 Eventbrite	Understanding Medication Options - FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Wed 6 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	
ADD-vance Eventbrite	Identifying ADHD and/or Autism - FREE ONLIN 19:00 Eventbrite	E WORKSHOP Tickets, Wed 6 Mar 2024 at	Identifying ADHD and/or Autism



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Supporting Links	A local Social Enterprise, providing parenting support through courses, workshops a children.		
Supporting Links	Workshops: We have a number of single session workshops for parents of children with diagnosed or suspected ASD and or ADHD. These are funded by Herts County Council so are free for parents who live or go to school in Herts to attend. See website for flyers and links: New What's On (supportinglinks.co.uk)		
Supporting Links	Talking ASD & ADHD Workshop: School Avoidance Talking ASD & ADHD: School Avoidance(644) For parents/carers in Herts. Registration, Tue 26 Mar 2024 at 09:30 Eventbrite	School Avoidance	
Supporting Links	Talking ASD & ADHD Workshop: Responding to Anger Talking ASD & ADHD: Responding to Anger (639) For parents/carers in Herts. Registration, Mon 4 Mar 2024 at 09:30 Eventbrite	Responding to Anger	
Supporting Links	Talking ASD & ADHD Workshop: Anxiety & Stress - evening Talking ASD & ADHD: Anxiety & Stress (640) For parents/carers in Herts. Registration, Wed 6 Mar 2024 at 19:30 Eventbrite	Anxiety & Stress (Evening)	
Supporting Links	Talking ASD & ADHD Workshop: Stress & Anxiety Talking ASD & ADHD: Stress & Anxiety (641) For parents/carers in Herts. Registration, Tue 12 Mar 2024 at 09:30 Eventbrite	Stress & Anxiety	
Supporting Links	Talking ASD & ADHD Workshop: Coping with Change Talking ASD & ADHD: Coping with Change(643) For parents/carers in Herts. Registration, Mon 18 Mar 2024 at 09:30 Eventbrite	Coping with Change	
Supporting Links	Talking ASD/ADHD: Sibling Struggles – Monday, 25 March 2024 Talking ASD and ADHD: Sibling Struggles. For parents/carers in Herts (629) Registration, Mon 25 Mar 2024 at 19:30 Eventbrite	ASD/ADHD – Sibling Struggles	



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Families in Focus	Hertfordshire based community interest company, which provides training, information and therapeutic and emotional support to parents.		
<u>Families</u> in Focus	A complete guide to parenting children with Autism & ADHD and associated conditions FREE – 10 week course (with diagnosis or awaiting assessment) aged 2 to 11 years Gain a greater understanding and answer the question "Why does my child do that/" Learn a range of strategies and solutions, to better manage behaviours that challenge. Understanding sensory needs of children. Increase understanding of children's common sleep issues. Support siblings. Meet other parents living in families similar and share experiences. Learn techniques to manage stress, conflict. Tuesday Mornings 9:30am to 11:30am April 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21 June 4, 11, 18, 25 Email to book: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk Tuesday Evenings 6:30pm to 8:30pm April 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21 June 4, 11, 18, 25	10 Week Course Guide to parenting children with Autism or ADHD Morning and Evening Options	
<u>Families</u> in Focus	Handling anger of primary aged children with Autism or ADHD FREE – 6 week course This course for parents provides practical, evidence based support to understand why children with Autism or ADHD react with anger and provides proven techniques to increase emotional and sensory regulation in your family. Wednesday Mornings 9:30am to 11:30am April 17, 24 May 1, 8, 15, 22 Email to book: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk Wednesday Evenings 6:30pm to 8:30pm April 17, 24 May 1, 8, 15, 22	6 Week Course Handling anger of primary aged children with Autism or ADHD	
<u>Families</u> in Focus	Handling anger of primary aged children FREE 5 week course Understand more about what triggers children's anger Learn techniques to increase children's emotional regulation and decrease angry meltdowns Increase understanding of how to support children who feel anxious Meet other parents and share experiences Learn techniques to manage parental stress Monday evenings 6:30pm to 8:30pm April 15, 22, 29 May 13, 20 Email to book: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk	Handling anger of primary aged children	
Families in Focus	Handling anger of primary aged children with Autism or ADHD Award winning courses, funded by HCC FREE for parents of primary aged children with ADHD and/or Autism, living in Hertfordshire This course for parents provides practical support to understand why children and adults react with anger and provides proven techniques to reduce angry meltdowns and increase emotional regulation for the whole family. Thursday mornings 9:30am to 11:30am 29 February, 7, 14, 21, 28 March Email Francine & Lesley: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk	Handling Anger in Primary Aged Children – Autism and ADHD – FREE 6 week course	



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<u>Families</u> in Focus	A complete guide to parenting neurodiverse children FREE 10 week course for parents living in Hertfordshire and parenting children with Autism or ADHD (inclusive of those with a diagnosis or awaiting assessment) aged 2 to 11 yrs. Gain a greater understanding and answer the question "Why does my child do that?" Learn a range of strategies and solutions to better manage behaviours that challenge. Understand sensory needs of children. Increase understanding of children's common sleep issues. Learn how to support siblings living with a neurodiverse sister/brother. Communicate effectively with children to increase children's emotional regulation. Meet other parents living in families similar and share experiences. Tuesday mornings 9:30am to 11:30am 9, 16, 23, 30 Jan, 6, 13, 27 Feb, 5, 12, 19 March OR Tuesday evenings: 6:30pm to 8:30pm 9, 16, 23, 30 Jan, 6, 13, 27 Feb, 5, 12, 19 March Booking: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk	A complete guide to parenting neurodiverse children – FREE 10 week course (with diagnosis or waiting for assessment)
Autism Hertfordshire Transition Service for 16-20	Workshops for ages 16 to 25 email Rachel.hatton@autismherts.org Parents & Cares of autistic young adults (16-25)	
year olds	Support Groups » Autism Bedfordshire Upcoming Events » Autism Bedfordshire	Support Group Upcoming Events
Autism UK	Social stories and comic strip conversations (autism.org.uk)	Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations
ADHD Foundation	Resources Archive - ADHD Foundation : ADHD Foundation	Resources
The Add-Vantage	Coffee & Connection - ADHD Womens Wellbeing Community Hub Tickets, Multiple Dates Eventbrite	For Women with ADHD – Coffee & Connection
	Recharge Retreat Day - ADHD Womens Wellbeing Community Hub Tickets Eventbrite	For Women with ADHD – Recharge Retreat Day
ADHD UK	Right to Choose - ADHD UK Right to Choose (NHS England) If you are based in England under the NHS you now have a legal right to choose your mental healthcare provider and your choice of mental healthcare team. This important right means that, for instance, should you decide the waiting time for your ADHD assessment is too long, then you can choose alternative providers. The provider must supply the service to the NHS somewhere in England. See website for full details.	



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Up on <u>Downs</u>	A parent run organisation that supports families of children with Down's Syndrome.	Local Down's Syndrome Support
Down's Syndrome Association	Down's Syndrome Listening Service Listening Service - Downs Syndrome Association (downs-syndrome.org.uk)	Down's Syndrome Listening Service
Phoenix Group for Deaf Children	Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.gov.uk) About Us - The Phoenix Group for Deaf Children	Local Group for Deaf Children
National Deaf Children's Society	Learn British Sign Language Online National Deaf Children's Society (ndcs.org.uk)	FREE signing Courses for Families
Herts Dyslexia Charity	Herts Dyslexia Charity EVENTS FREE Webinar – Five frequently asked questions to the BDA Helpline – This presentation will outline the five most frequently asked questions from parents who want to support their children at home. The webinar will provide ideas and guidance as to how to support learners at home with their studies. Different types of technology and software.	Dyslexia webinar – ideas and guidance – support learners at home
NORTH HERTS FAMILY CENTRE	SEND Drop In - Free Drop In Letchworth Garden City Church, The Icknield Centre, Icknield Way, Letchworth, SG6 1EF Monthly from 10.00am to 11.30am 6th March / 3rd April Walsworth Road Baptist Church Hall, Walsworth Road, Hitchin, SG4 9SP Monthly from 9:30am to 11.00am 14th March / 11th April Royston Methodist Church, Queens Road, Royston, SG8 7AU Monthly from 9:30am to 11.00am 22nd March	SEND Drop-In What's On North Herts District Spring 2024 (mailchi.mp)
SfYP Megamix Project for Young People aged 13-17 with Learning Difficulties	6:30pm to 8:30pm FREE Bowes Lyon Young People's Centre, Stevenage Join in, have some fun and make new friends. Runs on Tuesday evenings . Wide range of activities for you to get involved with, all designed specifically for young people with particular needs and support. Sport & Games, Arts & Crafts, Drama, Music, Topical discussion groups, advice on relationships and sexual health.	Booking Essential: Services for Young People Stevenage Team, tel: 01438 843340, text: 07860 065178, email: sfyp.stevenage@hertfordshire.gov .uk



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Young Minds	Help Your Child With ADHD Parents Guide to Support YoungMinds Autism & Mental Health Signs & Symptoms of Autism YoungMinds Transitions, Change & Mental Health Parents Guide YoungMinds			Guide: Help your child with ADHD Guide: Autism and Mental Health Guide: Transitions and Change
Challenging Behaviour Foundation	Video challenging behaviour - Chal Positive Behaviour Support - Challe			Resource – Challenging Behaviour
Recovery College online	Your mental health - Recovery Coll	ege Online		Mental Health Recovery
Give Us a Shout	Free, 24/7 mental health text supp	oort in the UK Shout 85258 (giveusashout.org)		Free 24/7 mental health text support
Provider	Course/Booking			Key Topics
JUST TALK Emotional wellbeing information and resources to help young people in Hertfordshire (justtalkherts.org)	there are 5 things we should do m If you are in Primary School: Herts CC - Five Ways to Wellbeing: If you are in Secondary School: Herts CC - Five Ways to Wellbeing: (justtalkherts.org)	g Journal: FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING JOURNAL [justtalkherts.org]	sleep Include Immur you was Thrive startin	o sleep well for teenagers: How to well for teenagers Evelina London es: Body Image, Exam Stress, Diabete hisation Health For Teens Everythin anted to know about health and Survive guide for young people of university: and Survive Guide September 2023 Ikherts.org)
Mental Health First Aid Training	• 1 Day Champion Course for Parents and Carers of 8 to 18 year olds FREE	 An understanding of common mental health issues and how they can affect young people. Ability to spot signs of mental ill health in young people and guide them to a place of support Knowledge and confidence to advocate for mental health awareness Skills to support positive wellbeing 	<u>cour</u> <u>Mar</u> <u>Menta</u> <u>for Par</u>	tal Health First Aid (MHFA) 1 day se for Parents & Carers Tickets, Thu 2024 at 09:30 Eventbrite Il Health First Aid (MHFA) 1 day cours rents & Carers Tickets, Thu 7 Mar 202 80 Eventbrite



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Mental Health First Aid Training	• 2 Day First Aider Course – suitable for everyone who teaches, works, lives or cares for 8 to 18 year olds FULLY FUNDED	 An in depth understanding of young people's mental health and factors that affect wellbeing. Practical skills to spot the triggers and signs of mental health issues Confidence to reassure and support a young person in distress. Enhanced interpersonal skills such as non-judgemental listening 	Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) 2 Day Course- 14th & 19th March 2024 Tickets, Multiple Dates Eventbrite
Anti-Bullying Resources	 Our JustTalk partners are also supporting this work, SandBox have a whole resource section on bullying to support young people, this is a great place to look at resources and signpost young people to. The Resource Zone (mindler.co.uk) WithYouth are also supporting young people through their live chat with friendship issues/conflict resolution and bullying concerns from 2-10pm everyday Instant messaging - WithYouth All of this information and more resources can be found on our JustTalk page Anti-Bullying Information (justtalkherts.org) Helping Children Deal with Bullying & Cyberbullying NSPCC 		
NESSie	Support the positive mental health of children and young people 0-25 years. 1-1 and group therapies for children and young people and webinars and support to parents and carers.		
<u>NESSie</u>	 Parent/Carer Chat and Connect Session – online via MS Teams This monthly Parent/Carer Chat, regular online drop in offers an informal space to share and connect with other parent/carers who have similar experiences supporting the child's mental health. These sessions are facilitated by Specialist Family Support Workers who can offer advice and support. Different topic each month. Nessie Public Booking Platform V2.0 (procfu.com) 		
<u>NESSie</u>	 Parent/Carer Webinar – LGBTQ+/Gender Questioning This webinar is designed for parents and cares who may be supporting children and young people in the LGBTQ+ community who may be trans or gender questioning. This session will provide an opportunity to develop an understanding of the spectrum of gender identify support for trans, gender questioning and non-binary children and young people. We will explore strategies to assist children and young people and the support available for them in the educational settings and the wider community. This course has been written with members of the LGBTQ+ Community. Thursday, 7 March 9:30am to 11am Nessie Public Booking Platform V2.0 (procfu.com) 		



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	Parent/Carer Webinar – Bereavement and Loss			
	• Enable parents/carers to develop their confidence in supporting their children with bereavement and loss.			
		• Explore strategies to support their children to discuss aspects of bereavement and loss, including divorce and separation.		
<u>NESSie</u>	 Provide a space to look at and identify effective support and management for the whole fa 	•		
	Tuesday, 12 March 9:30am to 11am	21111y.		
	Nessie Public Booking Platform V2.0 (procfu.com)			
NESSie	Parent/Carer Webinar – Self-Harming Behaviours			
INLUSIC	The aim of this early intervention webinar is to share helpful tools and strategies to support your	child		
	 Children and young people sometimes use self-injurious behaviours as coping mechanism. This c 			
	parents/carers when they don't have strategies to support them and keep them safe.	an be very distressing for them and then		
	This webinar will provide current information for families about managing, signposting and support of the second sec	orting with appropriate interventions. It		
	will offer parents/carers a chance to ask open questions in a warm and supportive environment.			
	Wednesday, 13 March 9:30am to 11am			
	Nessie Public Booking Platform V2.0 (procfu.com)			
<u>NESSie</u>	Parent/Carer Chat and Connect Session – Hertfordshire	Hertfordshire parents - NESSie IN ED,		
	 This monthly, regular online drops in offers an informal space to share and connect 	CIC		
	with other parents/carers who have similar experience supporting their child's mental			
	health. These sessions are facilitated by Specialist Family Support Worker who can	Parent/Carer Chat Connect Session		
	offer advice and support. Each month we will cover a different topic – see social media			
	for updates.			
	FREE funded by HCC			
	Nessie Public Booking Platform (procfu.com)			
	NESSie is funded by HCC to support parents/carers of children and young people with emotional and mental	Mental Health support for parents/carers – 1-		
	health issues. The aim of this work is to help parents/carers develop a positive and more confident approach	1, online, support groups		
	to supporting their young person, whilst offering a chance to gain peer support; useful strategies and practical tools.			
	FREE online and face-to-face workshops on a range of mental health issues that affect children and			
	young people.			
	Parent Support Line 07932 651319 (Wednesdays 9am to 12pm or by appointment)			
	Private moderated Facebook support groups. support advice sessions			
	1-1 Peer support groups: a confidential group, where parents will have an opportunity to share			
	their experiences, support each other through challenges and identify coping strategies. For more information: Podio			



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Children's Wellbeing Practitioners	HCT Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Events Eventbrite Upcoming courses: Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation, Emotional Wellbeing Workshop, Sleep Workshop, Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy		Check for available courses, please note they book up quickly
Places are sold out quickly	Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Service Hertfords recorded webinar, workshops for parents / carers and		School Avoidance
	Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy Tick	ets, Thu 21 Mar 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy
	Adolescent Self-esteem Workshop Tickets, Thu	21 Mar 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	Adolescent Self-Esteem
	Resilience Workshop Tickets, Wed 27 Mar 2024	at 18:00 Eventbrite	Resilience Workshop
The Sandbox Online Mental Health Digital Advice and Guidance Services	The Sandbox: online Mental Health Digital Advice and Guidance Services for 10-25s launching 1 April 2023 The Sandbox is an NHS-funded service to support children and young people in Hertfordshire with their mental health and well-being.	This new free NHS funded service offer a website with access to games, worksheets, group chats and online events for children, young people, their parents/carers, teachers and other professionals. The Sandbox provides access to internet enabled Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (iCBT), or one to one support from professional therapists by text,	 Website: 24/7 Therapy sessions: 7am-10pm Mondays-Fridays and 10am-10pm Saturdays and Sundays Live Chat: 10am-8pm Mondays-Fridays Signing up is easy and doesn't require a
for 10-25s l		phone, online chat or video call, based on a triage of the young person's needs	referral from a professional: Sandbox Homepage (getcerebral.co.uk)
Looking after your mental health and wellbeing through winter	looking-after-your-mental-health-and-wellbeing-through-winter-hertfordshire (icb.nhs.uk)		
Bereavement: Living with Grie	ef and Loss HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk	<u>x)</u>	Bereavement and Grief
Care for Carers HPFT IAPT Se	ervices (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Care for Carers
Carers: Managing Difficult Emotions and Building Resilience HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Carers: Managing Difficult Emotions/Building Resilience	
Dealing with Depression HPI	FT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Dealing with Depression
How to sleep better HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		How to sleep better	
Managing Worry HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Managing worry	



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Understanding Low Self-esteem HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk) Becoming a parent or caregiver and emotional wellbeing HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Understanding low self esteem
		Becoming a parent or caregiver
Mind Hertfordshire Network CYP	Spark – A Creative Space for Young People's Wellbeing Informal drop-in group is for anyone aged 12-17 who would like to explore using creativity to support their wellbeing. To come along email cyp@hertsmindnetwork.org This will be starting soon on Monday's 6pm to 8pm Letchworth Wellbeing Centre. It is for those living in North Herts, there is an initial contact form to fill in on referral, a 1-1 can be arranged if interested but not sure what to expect. Home - WithYouth	Creative Space for Young People
This May Help	Home ThisMayHelp	Topics: Self-Harm Video Gaming Establish Trust and Boundaries Eating Disorder Mental Health Resilience
<u>Carers</u> in Herts	CAMHS Online Monthly Support Group for Parents and Carers Parents/carers of young people who are accessing a HPFT CAMHS or HCT Step 2 service, or who are waiting to be seen can attend a monthly online support group hosted by Carers in Herts. The group provides opportunities to meet other parents/carers in similar situations, share experiences, learn coping strategies and gain useful information. The group takes place on the first Tuesday of every month between 7 - 9pm, online via Zoom. • "This group offers so much support and information, letting me know I'm not alone, even at the most challenging of times." Parent. Carers in Herts are asking professionals to help spread the word about the group to parents/carers they are working with, or who are waiting to be seen.	CAMHS Monthly Support Group via Carers in Herts Carewaves and Newsletters - Carers In Herts For more information or to book a place: Call: 01992 586969 Email: contact@carersinherts.org.uk Go online: CAMHS Online Support Group (carersinherts.org.uk)
Herts Mind <u>Network</u>	Overcoming Social Anxiety – Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org) Course details coming soon	Coming soon : Overcoming Social Anxiety
Young Minds	If your child has been denied support from CAMHS, or you are still waiting to be seen, you can contact Young Minds through the Parents Helpline on 0808 802 5544 from 9:30am to 4pm. You will be connected to trained advisors, they will listen to your concerns and ask key questions to understand your situation as best they can. They will tailor advice to your situation and suggest practical steps you can take and ways to support your child whilst waiting to access help from services. This could include contact details for relevant support services, practical tips you can implement at home or giving you advice around alternative options for support.	CAMHS Support via Young Minds
<u>JustTalkHerts</u>	The Real Bodies in Herts Campaign Just Talk (justtalkherts.org)	The Real Bodies Campaign



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	Resources and Webinars	
	Real Bodies in Herts (justtalkherts.org)	
	What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future	What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future.
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	Thinking about the future can be worrying or stressful, take a look at some practical tools	
	and useful information to help you look after your mental health:	
	Manage Your Worries (Self Help Tools)	
	Support with Future Plans	
	Volunteering and Looking for a Job	
	Real Hertfordshire Positive Future Stories	
Nip In the Bud	https://youtu.be/uMdDB8Gxono	Early Intervention
	Promoting awareness of mental health disorders in children – Does my child Need help?	
HCC Services for Young People	Services for Young People North Herts Wellbeing Project at Hitchin Young People's Centre	12 to 15 year olds struggling with
	If you're aged 12-15 and struggling w Services for Young People Listings	anxiety or low-mood, Meet weekly –
		Term Time
Mind Hertfordshire	Lumi Nova: Therapeutic Digital Intervention Gaming App	Digital Wellbeing Services
Network CYP Digital	7 to 12 years (sch yrs 3 to 7) who are experiencing anxiety, might also benefit from an evidence	
Wellbeing	based digital therapeutic intervention via game app Lumi Nova: Tales of Courage. Can play without	
	having an assessment or diagnosis	
	With YOUth - Children & Young People's Digital Wellbeing Service	Digital directory
	Launching this autumn, to help young people manage their worries.	2.8.00. 0 2000. 7
	New digital early help service from Monday, 3 October	Gaming App - Anxiety Help
	CYP aged 5 to18 will be eligible to use the new service, to enable them to seek support if they are	Carring App Annacy Freip
	experiencing problems with their emotional and mental wellbeing; mild to moderate anxiety, behavioural difficulties, school attendance, low mood, relationship difficulties, bullying or self-	
	harm. Not for children who are in crisis. <u>www.withyouth.org</u> (live from 3 Oct)	
	Digital Directory - Self-help Library and more; evidence based resources, goal-based worksheets,	
	videos, sound bites. Easy to online referral for young people.	
	Stevenage – Mind in Mid Herts	See website for full details
	Wellbeing Support Groups: Men's Group / LGBTQ+ Group, Drop-In, Arts & Crafts, Women's	
	Group	
Mind in Mid Herts	North Herts – Mind in Mid Herts	Learning to Relax
	Outreach Support / Hitchin – Walk & Talk Group / Baldock – Wellbeing Group	5
	Royston – Arts & Crafts + Wellbeing Group	



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Family Lives	Family Lives provides targeted early intervention and crisis support to families. If you	need to talk, we're here to listen.
Family Lives	Within My Reach Within my Reach 8-week programme is for specifically designed for parents living together or apart, who are facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground in raising their neurodiverse child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance relationships, strengthen parenting skills and create a more harmonious home environment	Within My Reach – 8 week programme, facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground raising neurodiverse child.
	Two courses will be delivered MS Teams over 8 sessions on the following dates :	Who can attend: • Parents who are experiencing
	Tuesdays & Thursdays 27 & 29 February, 5 & 7 March, 12 & 14 March and 19 & 21 March 2024 7.00pm to 9.00pm, Via MS Teams Wednesdays & Saturdays 28 February & 2 March, 6 & 9 March, 13 & 16 March and 20 & 23 March 2024 Wednesday 7-9pm & Saturdays 10am-12pm, Via MS Teams	 conflicts and challenges due to the neurodiversity of their child Parents who want to improve communication and build stronger partnership in parenting and coparenting their neurodiverse child.
	To book a place please click here for our online referral form Reducing Parental Conflict Parenting, or for further information please call 0204 522 8700 / 0204 522 8699 or email services@familylives.org.uk	Parents seeking guidance, support, and practical strategies to navigate the unique challenges of raising a neurodiverse child
Fledglings	Fledglings is a non-profit shop that helps children with additional needs by supplying products & equipment that help with everyday challenges. You'll find all sorts of things including sensory toys, incontinence swimwear and adaptive clothing. Adaptive Clothes Incontinence Swim Sensory SEN Fledglings	Additional needs products & equipment
HCC	Parenting When Separated Programme A practical and positive evidence based course for parents who are preparing for or have gone through a separation or divorce. It is a six-week course, FREE to attend. Both parents can attend but it is recommended you attend separate groups. Sessions are 2.5hrs with up to 12 parents. Parenting When Separated Referral Form (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Separation/Divorce – Parenting



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Priority Support Register (get support in the event of a power cut)	Sign up to the Priority Support Register to get support in the event of a power cut (all ages). If you have a child under 5, or someone in your household with a serious health issue or impairment, you might be eligible for free priority support from the UK Power Networks – which means, in the event of a power cut, you would get a 24 hour support telephone number and other personalised assistance, which could include support such as hot meals. If this applies to you make sure you register your details.	Sign up to Priority Services Register UK Power Networks Go online or call free on 0800 169 9970 to register your details.
Heads Up! Mentoring Scheme for Young People with SEND (ages 14-18)	Head Up! Is accepting mentee signups for their 2024 mentoring programme! Head Up! Is an organisation run by a group of university students who have a variety of disabilities, physical & mental health conditions, learning difficulties and neurodiversity. They want to share their advice and experiences of dealing with these in school, university & in their social lives in the hope that other young people will feel supported, encouraged and able to keep going: to overcome extra challenges and to chase big ambitions. Their free mentoring scheme supports 14-18 year-olds who self-identify as disabled (or anyone who has a physical /mental health condition, SpLD, or neurodivergence). Mentees are paired with a student or recent graduate with a similar condition or studying a particular subject. They meet online for an hour per month for at least 1 year. Find out more information, access articles and resources, and sign up for the mentoring scheme Safeguarding policies are available on the website; mentors have DBS checks and safeguarding training.	Head Up! Home (head-up.org)
BEEZEE BODIES	Helping you make healthy habits as a family – FREE healthy lifestyle courses! <u>Award Winning Weight Loss and Behaviour Change programmes (beezeebodies.com)</u> <u>For Families (beezeebodies.com)</u>	Healthy Lifestyle Courses
SfYP Megamix Project for Young People aged 13-17 with Learning Difficulties	6:30pm to 8:30pm FREE Bowes Lyon Young People's Centre, Stevenage Join in, have some fun and make new friends. Runs on Tuesday evenings . Wide range of activities for you to get involved with, all designed specifically for young people with particular needs and support. Sport & Games, Arts & Crafts, Drama, Music, Topical discussion groups, advice on relationships and sexual health.	Booking Essential: Services for Young People Stevenage Team, tel: 01438 843340, text: 07860 065178, email: sfyp.stevenage@hertfordshire.gov .uk
Ohana	Ohana Hertfordshire County Council Ohana is a free to attend support group for young parents who are in care or who are care leavers — meet other parents, support each other, hear form guest speakers. See website for Summer Events.	



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Phase	Phase Hitchin - Passionate about helping young people (phase-hitchin.org)	Resources for parents and young people – wellbeing and resilience
Hope UK	Home - Hope UK	Alcohol and drug advice for parents and young people
Healthwatch	Parents and carers voice their concerns about accessing GP Practices Healthwatch Hertfordshire	Healthwatch
Capa First Response	<u>Capa First Response You are not alone - Capa First Response</u> We support families and professionals impacted by child or adolescent on parent abuse.	Child/adolescent on parent abuse support
Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrate Care Board	YOUTH COUNCIL Opportunity for young people aged between 12-19 yrs old or up to 25 for young people with Special Education Needs or Disabilities, to join the newly established ICB Youth Council. Are you interested in: Representing the voices of young people within the healthcare system? Working in partnership with health sector professionals to improve health services for young people. Email:	



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	The Local Offer lets parents and young people know what special educational people and disability services are available in
CENTE.	The Local Offer lets parents and young people know what special educational needs and disability services are available in
	Hertfordhisre, and who can access them. Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.gov.uk)
SEND	Short Breaks (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Short breaks offers disabled children and young people the chance to spend time out with others
U-25 years	socialising and doing fun activities, giving their families a break and providing them with confidence their child is well supported by a
Hertfordshire's Local Offer	trained worker. They include holiday and Saturday clubs, and activities range from canoeing and computer skills to logo. You will
	need to register for Short Breaks (hertfordshire.gov.uk SBLO Application Form) See if you qualify: Short Breaks
	(hertfordshire.gov.uk)
	Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database
-	Voluntary register of disabled children and young people aged 0-25. By joining you can get discounts at places around the county
	(and beyond) Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database (HAND)
HAND.	
	Hertfordshire Family Centre Service
Hertfordshire Family Centre	North Herts Family Centre (hertsfamilycentres.org)
Service	SEND DROP IN
	Services for Young People Youth projects for young people with learning difficulties and/or learning disabilities. Services for Young
Services for	People runs projects across Hertfordshire specifically for young people with mild to moderate learning difficulties and/or
Young People	learning disabilities. See website for current information.
Phoenix Group for Deaf	Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.gov.uk)
Children	About Us - The Phoenix Group for Deaf Children
Up on Downs	Front Page - Up On Downs A range of activities for all age groups. Monthly Family and friends meetings in Hitchin for parents and
	children, siblings and supporters
Silve	YoungSibs - Sibs For brothers and sisters of disabled children and adults
Sibs	Advice and support
Herts Sports Disability	Various Activities - Lots of locations - Small Charge
Foundation	Find an Activity - Herts Disability (hdsf.co.uk)



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Mixed Ability Rugby	Hertford RFC – A team open to anyone who want to play regular full contact rugby for rugby's sake. If you happen to have some form
Hertford RFC	of disability or barrier but want to play regular rugby, then you are more than welcome. Same goes if you have no disability or
	barrier.
Hertford RFC Mixed Ability	For more information contact projectrugby@saracens.net or call Matt Thompson 07974 785072
Rugby	
Junior Ability Counts	Open to any child 7-16 years old with a disability or special education need who is able to walk.
Football	Mondays 5 to 6pm, 6 week course £18
	5 June to 10 July
Football – more dates	Book online: www.northhertsarena.co.uk
coming soon – see website	Our Junior Ability Counts Courses for 7-16 year olds will start back up again in September, 5-6pm on Mondays (term-time only) and
for details	will be open to booking via our website closer to the time.
Letchworth Garden City	Letchworth Garden City Eagles have teamed up with partners Herts Sports Partnership and Hertfordshire Football Association to
Eagles Football	deliver weekly sessions for players with any disabilities. The disability sessions will initially run for 12 weeks and are aimed at all
Junior Ability Counts –	differing impairments. The sessions will provide a safe fun learning environment for all players taking part. Run by a qualified coach,
Inclusive Football – Every	all sessions will take place on the Hertfordshire FA state of the art 3G pitch and offer the opportunity to participate in exciting and
Wednesday 4.00pm to	engaging practices. As well as developing skills within football, the program will also help improve social skills and confidence. The
5.00pm – Letchworth	aim of the coaching program is to create an enjoyable and safe environment for everybody to enjoy sport. During the program, we
Garden City Eagles FC	will look to develop sporting skills, as well as social skills and confidence. 7 to 15 Years. Wednesdays 4pm to 5pm FREE Hertfordshire
(letchwortheagles.org.uk)	County Ground, Letchworth SG6 2EN Home (nhdspl.org.uk) 07788 391 609
FLYERZ HOCKEY	St Albans Flyerz is a disability hockey project which makes hockey available to ALL via inclusive sessions, supported by St Albans
St. Albans HC Flyerz	Hockey
(stalbanshc.co.uk)	St Albans Hockey Club, East Drive, Oaklands College, Hatfield Road, St Albans, AL4 0JA
flyerzsahc@gmail.com	Sessions are Free of charge, FUN, relaxed, supportive, open to all abilities from age 5 upwards, Run on Sunday mornings during the
nyerzsanc@gman.com	club jnr training sessions
Herts Inclusive Theatre	Stevenage Group, which takes place on Thursdays from 5.45 - 7.15pm at Lonsdale School in Stevenage. Depending on the age of
	participants, we also offer a Power Up programme for 16-25 year olds in East Herts locations such as Bishop's Stortford and East
	Ware, so I think within a half hour drive of some of those places.
	https://hit-theatre.org.uk/events/power-up-16-east-ware/
	https://hit-theatre.org.uk/events/power-up-16-east-bishopsstortford-822/