

DSPL 1 (North Herts)

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A selection of the new listings	25 April 2024 9:30am to 2pm DSPL 1 Parent Information Event: Speakers, Information & Lunch		Meeting Places Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org)	
	Children & Young People's <u>Thera</u> Online!	<u>ipies</u> referral forms are now	Children and Young People's Sensory Service	Free holiday activities during the Easter 2024 (see details)
	<u>Local</u> Offer	Up on <u>Downs</u>	DS <u>Achieve</u>	Lending SPACE
SEND	North Herts <u>Family</u> Centre	Abilities in Me	Down's <u>Syndrome</u> Listening Service	
Autism, ADHD,	Angels <u>Support</u> Group	ADD-vance	<u>SPACE</u> in Herts	<u>Potential</u> 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 HPFT IAPT Improving Access to Psychological Therapies – online portal for mental health services
Mental Health &	<u>NESSie</u>	Mind Hertfordshire Network CYP Digital Wellbeing	WithYouth (Mind Network) Herts Mind Network	First Steps <u>ED</u>
	Just <u>Talk</u> Herts	The Ollie Foundation	<u>Togetherall</u>	BeeZee Bodies
Wellbeing	Lumi Nova Herts Mind Network (withyouth.org) Fun, Digital Therape to manage fears and anxieties	k Children and Young People eutic Intervention supporting 7-12 yr olds	Carers in Herts (<u>CAMHS</u> Support)	Young Minds
	Courses Coming Up Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org)		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)		npacted by child or adolescent on parent
	Supporting Links	Families Feeling <u>Safe</u>	abuse. Child/adolescent on parent abuse	support
Further Signposting	 Contact a SEND service (hertform) ISL SEND Advice for Parents/C 	ordshire.gov.uk) arers (hertfordshirefamiliesfirst.org.uk)	Preparing for adulthood (hertform)	ordshire.gov.uk)



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Updates and Resources (nhdspl.org.uk) Find us on Facebook and Twitter

- 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)

- 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

Making SEND Everyone's Business - investing in our workforce (hertfordshire.gov.uk)

SEND 0-25 Advice Lines







Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD)

01442 453 920 every Thursday (term time only) 9.30am - 12pm Neurodiversity Hub

01727 833963 from Monday to Friday 9am - 1pm

email: supporthub@add-vance.org

Early years (0 - 5)

01442 453 920 every Wednesday (term time only) 9am - 12pm and Thurs 1.30pm - 4pm

Physical and neurological impairment team (PNI)

01442 453 920 every Monday (term time only), 1.30pm - 4pm

Education Support for Medical Absence (ESMA)

01442 454 802 (school hours, term time only)

esmaenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Children and young people's therapy services

(Advice from occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech and language therapists)

01923 470680 – select Option 3 for the therapy service. Callers then choose to use the service Advice Line (select 1) or to speak to an administrator (select 2).

Or email hct.cyptherapies1@nhs.net.

School Nursing Duty Line

The HCT school nurse duty line is available every weekday and can support you with any concerns you may have about your child or children's physical and emotional wellbeing.

Tel: 0300 123 7572 (Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm)

SCROLL DOWN FOR NEW AND UPCOMING COURSES



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Big Listen – Ofsted	Ofsted have launched their "Big Listen" today. This is an their views – including around children with SEND. Ofste	opportunity for everyone involved with children and education to share ed Big Listen - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust	Children & Young People's Therapies referral forms are now Online! What is changing? Starting on the 4th March, HCT will launch the updated digital referral forms. These changes have been made to help improve patient experience by providing easier access to services and streamlining the overall process. CYPT services includes Children's Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy & Speech, and Language Therapy. The digital referral form route is accessible by an online link for use by appropriate referrers including Schools, Parents/Carers, Self-referrals, GP's and Health Care Professionals.	You can make a referral to these services by following the below links or visiting our website www.hct.nhs.uk Occupational Therapy Referral Form Speech & Language Referral Form Physiotherapy Referral Form
Survey Identify the areas of need for Deaf Children and Young Adults in Hertfordshire	should take no more than a few minutes. We also attach questions share with those who you work with. Questionnaire for professionals working with Deaf and Hard of Hard of Hard streets: https://forms.gle/UwrXuyDMYyURaPnW8 Questionnaire for professionals working with d/Deaf and HOH Yard https://forms.gle/42YD7TmY2nnTrDza6 To share Questionnaire for Young Adults aged 16 – 30: https://forms.gle/ustionnaire Questionnaire for Parents of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children	oung Adults (16-30) and parents of d/Deaf and HOH children and young people. /SvjdqmuSd42EAmK76

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dspl1admin@wransom.herts.sch.uk (please email if you need the flyers or further information) Updates and Resources (nhdspl.org.uk) Find us on Facebook and Twitter

BOOKING OPEN

Overflow parking at nearby pay and display (outdoor pool and bowling green) are free for this event.

Parent Information Event

Thursday, 25 April 2024 from 9:15am to 2:45pm

DSPL 1—Delivering Special Provision Locally
North Herts—Baldock, Hitchin, Letchworth, Royston

Guest Speakers including talks on Autism & Girls, Resilience, Emotionally Based School Avoidance and Autism in Schools Offer PLUS over 30 organisations providing information and support

Thursday, 25 April 2024 9:15am to 2:45pm

The Icknield Centre, Letchworth

Full details and Booking: All Training, Workshops & Events - Parent Information Event (nhdsol.org.uk)





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WORKSHOPS, COURS	SES AND TRAINING	
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.
	Reducing Parental Conflict Parenting , or for further information please call 0204 522 8700 / 0204 522 8699 or email services@familylives.org.uk	
	Who can attend:	
	 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 	
Ambitious about Autism	neurodiverse child 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
Autism Central	Autism Central for Parents and Carers Autism Central 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 who are happy to share their knowledge and experience with others. 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	Peer Education Programme - support
Hertfordshire Autism	Level 1 Autism Training eLearning 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 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: Autism elearning form (contensis.com)Autism elearning form (contensis.com)	Level 1 Autism Training e-learning



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SPACE Herts	Charity supporting families of children and young people who are neurodivergent (Autism, ADHD, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia, Dyscalculia, Tourette's and other neurodiverse conditions).	
	Anger and Conflict Tickets, Thu 21 Mar 2024 at 18:30 Eventbrite	Anger and Conflict
	Anxiety and SEND Tickets, Fri 22 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Anxiety and SEND
SPACE Herts	Navigating the SEND World Tickets, Mon 25 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Navigating the SEND World
<u>SPACE</u> HEIG	Understanding ADHD Tickets, Tue 26 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Understanding ADHD
	The EHCP Process from Submission to Finalisation Tickets, Tue 26 Mar 2024 at 19:00 Eventbrite	The EHCP Process from Submission to Finalisation
SPACE Herts	FOR PAID ACTIVITIES AND SESSIONS SEE: SPACE HERTFORDSHIRE Events Eventbrite	Additional Activities
ADD-Vance	A registered charity with a team of over 20 dedicated trainers, coaches, admin staff and volu children with ADHD and/or Autism. Some HCC Funded workshops are recorded to enable you	
ADD-vance Eventbrite	Preparing for an EHCP Review - FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Fri 22 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Preparing for an EHCP
ADD-vance Eventbrite	Preparing for Adulthood (14+) FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Mon 25 Mar 2024 at 19:00 Eventbrite	Preparing for Adulthood
ADD-vance Eventbrite	<u>Understanding Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)- FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets,</u> <u>Tue 26 Mar 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite</u>	Understanding Pathological Demand Avoidance
ADD-vance Eventbrite	ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP for Parents/Carers of 16-24 year olds Tickets, Tue 26 Mar 2024 at 13:30 Eventbrite	Online Support group for parents/carers of 16-24 yr olds



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Angels Support Group	Angels is charity that supports families of diagnosis).	f autistic children and/or children who have	ADHD (and those awaiting
	Virtual Meeting via Zoom 10am to 12pm	Face to Face meeting Stevenage 10am to 12pm The Phoenix Group	Support Groups and workshops, Meet up and Chat
Angels Support Group	• 26 Mar – Workshop: What makes a good EHCP	 21 Mar – Meet Up and Chat 28 Mar – Parent/Carer Support Group with Lorraine Jones 	www.angelssuupportgroup.org.uk / Angels Spring Term Programme (angelssupportgroup.org.uk)
Tringers Support Group		 Evening Meeting via Zoom 7:30pm to 8:30pm 28 Mar – Evening Parent/Carer Support Group 	
	Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire Membership (free) is required: Membership Appli		<u>'</u>
Autism Hertfordshire Transition Service for 16-20	Workshops for ages 16 to 25 email Rachel.hattor Parents & Cares of autistic young adults (16-25)	n@autismherts.org	
year olds	Support Groups » Autism Bedfordshire		Support Group
Autism UK	Upcoming Events » Autism Bedfordshire Social stories and comic strip conversations	(autism.org.uk)	Upcoming Events Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations
ADHD Foundation	Resources Archive - ADHD Foundation : ADH	HD Foundation	Resources



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Supporting Links	A local Social Enterprise, providing parenting support through courses, workshops an children.	d 1:1 mentoring of parents and
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		
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
Supporting Links	Use the Course ID (See below) to book your place Booking Essential: bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk or 07512 709556	Booking Information
	Talking Teens 6 Weekly Sessions for parents/carers of children aged 12-19 Wednesdays 17 April to 22 May 7:45pm to 9:15pm (online) Online Course ID 657 Wednesdays 5 June to 10 July 7pm to 9pm (In Person: Bushey) In Person Course ID 658	Talking Teens
Supporting Links	Talking Anger in Families 6 Weekly Sessions for parents/carers of children aged 0-12 Wednesdays 17 April to 22 May 9:45am to 11:30am (online) Course ID 654	Talking Anger in Families
Supporting Links	Talking Dads/Male Carers 6 Weekly sessions for Dads/Male Carers of all ages Thursdays 18 April to 23 May 7:45pm to 9:15pm (online) Course ID 659 Wednesdays 5 June to 10 July 7:45pm to 9:15pm (online) Course ID 660	Talking Dads/Male Carers
Supporting Links	Talking Anxiety in Teens 6 Weekly sessions for parents/carers of 12-19 year olds Tuesdays 7:45pm to 9:30pm (online) Course ID 655	Talking Anxiety in Teens
Supporting Links	Talking Additional Needs (no diagnosis needed) A 6-week group for parents and carers of children with any additional need from 2-25. Thursdays 18 April to 23 May 9;45am to 11:15am (online) Course ID 651 Tuesdays 4 June to 9 July 8pm to 9:30pm (online) Course ID 652	Talking Additional Needs



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	Hertfordshire based community interest company, which provides training, information	n and therapeutic and emotional	
<u>Families</u> in Focus	support to parents.		
<u>Families</u> in Focus	Email to book: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk		
	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 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	
Families 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 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	
Families 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	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	Handling Anger in Primary Aged Children – Autism and ADHD – FREE 6 week course	



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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.	
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 <u>Listening Service - Downs Syndrome Association (downs-syndrome.org.uk)</u>	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
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 should take no more than a few minutes. We also attach questionnaires for parents and carers and you share with those who you work with. Questionnaire for professionals working with Deaf and Hard of Hearing children and young people with needs: https://forms.gle/UwrXuyDMYyURaPnW8 Questionnaire for professionals working with d/Deaf and HOH Young Adults (16-30) and parents of d/D https://forms.gle/42YD7TmY2nnTrDza6 To share Questionnaire for Young Adults aged 16 – 30: https://forms.gle/SyjdqmuSd42EAmK76 Questionnaire for Parents of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children and Young People: https://forms.gle/ugaetionnaire for Parents/Carers of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Young Adults with Additional SEND need.	additional SEND Deaf and HOH children and young people.



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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 3rd April Walsworth Road Baptist Church Hall, Walsworth Road, Hitchin, SG4 9SP Monthly from 9:30am to 11.00am 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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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
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MENTAL HEALTH	AND WELLBEING
Lumi Nova Added Weekly 92	Introducing Lumi Nova: A therapeutic mobile game for children's worries and anxiety (youtube.com) Key points: What are fears and worries? How can Lumi Nova help? Who is Lumi Nova for? Is Lumi Nova clinically approved? How does it work? What are the benefits? How can parents/practitioners support Lumi Nova use?
<u>NESSie</u>	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)



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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	<u>Video challenging behaviour - Challenging Behaviour Foundation</u> <u>Positive Behaviour Support - Challenging Behaviour Foundation</u>	Resource – Challenging Behaviour
Recovery College online	Your mental health - Recovery College Online	Mental Health Recovery
Give Us a Shout	Free, 24/7 mental health text support in the UK Shout 85258 (giveusashout.org)	Free 24/7 mental health text support
Herts Mind Network	Meeting Places Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org) Get in touch Our Meeting Places are open access, meaning there is no need to have an initial appointment. You can also attend while waiting for one of our other services or after exiting one of our one-to-one services. If you would like to attend this group, please email us at: meetingplaces@hertsmindnetwork.org We will provide you with a session link and joining details for the online groups. You will need a link for each session that you attend. Please note, we will only be able to send joining instructions and links to you during office hours. If you are not currently a client all you need to do is complete a short Online Referral form. You can also use the Download Referral button to download a copy of the Referral Form to complete and email to us at meetingplaces@hertsmindnetwork.org	Our Meeting Places are a safe and welcoming social drop-in where you can feel supported. Attending these groups is a good way to share experiences, build social networks and meet people in a non-judgemental setting.
NEW WEEKLY 91 Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust	Children and young people's sensory service Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust (hct.nhs.uk) Due to additional investment into Hertfordshire's Children and Young People's Integrated Therapy Service (CYPT), we have an exciting new three - tiered sensory service to support neurodivergent children and young people (CYP).	Children and Young People's Sensory Service



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DSPL 2 Coffee Morning	DSPL 1 parents and carers are welcome to join our neighbouring DSPL. DSPL 2 Coffee Morning – meet other parents and get involved in events. 22 March 2024 9:30am 11am – Guest: Hertfordshire's funded chi and young people's digital wellbeing service. The Oak Suite, Peartree Spring Primary School. Hydean Way, Stevenage SG2 9GG. B DSPL2 Events - 6 Upcoming Activities and Tickets Eventbrite Future dates: 10 May & 28 June 9:30am to 11am		
JUST TALK Emotional wellbeing information and resources to help young people in Hertfordshire (justtalkherts.org)	FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING Research from around the world tells us there are 5 things we should do more to boost our wellbeing and mood If you are in Primary School: Herts CC - Five Ways to Wellbeing for Children (Web version) (justtalkherts.org) If you are in Secondary School: Herts CC - Five Ways to Wellbeing for Young People (Web version) (justtalkherts.org) Interactive Five Ways to wellbeing Journal: FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING JOURNAL FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (justtalkherts.org) JustTalk Journal: My Just Talk Journal (justtalkherts.org)	well fo Include Immun wanted Thrive starting	o sleep well for teenagers: How to sleep r teenagers Evelina London es: Body Image, Exam Stress, Diabetes, isation Health For Teens Everything you do to know about health eard Survive guide for young people guniversity: and Survive Guide September 2023 kherts.org)
MENTAL HEALTH AND) WELLBEING		
Anti-Bullying Resources	 Our JustTalk partners are also supporting this work, SandBox have a whole resource people, this is a great place to look at resources and signpost young people to. The WithYouth are also supporting young people through their live chat with friendship concerns from 2-10pm everyday <u>Instant messaging - WithYouth</u> All of this information and more resources can be found on our JustTalk page <u>Anti-Helping Children Deal with Bullying & Cyberbullying NSPCC</u> 	e Resour p issues,	ce Zone (mindler.co.uk) /conflict resolution and bullying
Children's Wellbeing Practitioners	HCT Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Events Eventbrite Upcoming courses: Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation, Emotional Wellbeing Works Sleep Workshop, Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy	hop,	Check for available courses, please note they book up quickly



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Places are sold out quickly	Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Service Hertford recorded webinar, workshops for parents / carers an	<u> </u>	School Avoidance
quienny	Adolescent Self-esteem Workshop Tickets, Thu 21 Mar 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite		Adolescent Self-Esteem
The Sandbox Online Mental Health Digital Advice and Guidance Services for 10-25s I	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, phone, online chat or video call, based on a triage of the young person's needs	 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 referral from a professional: Sandbox Homepage (getcerebral.co.uk)
Looking after your mental health and wellbeing through winter	looking-after-your-mental-health-and-wellbei	ng-through-winter-hertfordshire (icb.nhs.uk)	
Bereavement: Living with Grie	f and Loss HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.ul	<u>()</u>	Bereavement and Grief
Care for Carers HPFT IAPT Se	rvices (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Care for Carers
Carers: Managing Difficult Emo	otions and Building Resilience HPFT IAPT Servi	ces (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)	Carers: Managing Difficult Emotions/Building Resilience
Dealing with Depression HPF	T IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Dealing with Depression
How to sleep better HPFT IA	PT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		How to sleep better
Managing Worry HPFT IAPT S	Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Managing worry
Understanding Low Self-estee	m HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Understanding low self esteem
Becoming a parent or caregive	er and emotional wellbeing HPFT IAPT Services	(hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)	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 wo wellbeing. To come along email cyp@hertsmindnetwork		Creative Space for Young People



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	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	
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) Resources and Webinars Real Bodies in Herts (justtalkherts.org) What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future	The Real Bodies Campaign What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future.
	What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future (justtalkherts.org) 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)	



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	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.	Digital all cetory
	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 experiencing problems with their emotional and mental wellbeing; mild to moderate anxiety,	Samily App Animety Help
	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	
	Royston – Arts & Crafts + Wellbeing Group	



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PARENTING (INCLUDI	NG SEND) AND RELATIONSHIPS & SEND/AUTISM/ADHD	
Hertfordshire Constabulary: Pegasus Card Scheme	Pegasus card scheme Hertfordshire Constabulary (herts.police.uk) Our Pegasus scheme is for people who find it hard to communicate with us – we keep your pre-regist and we can access it quickly if you call us. You don't need to repeat all your details. Who can register? • Anyone who has a disability or illness that may make it hard to communicate with the police • Anyone who lives in the local area. Please make sure that you contact your local police force Please note registration is free. How it works • You'll be issued with a card and a personal identification number (PIN) and if you need to cal we'll access your details right away, which will save you time. • You can also show your card to a police officer, member of police staff or other emergency s person and they'll know you may need extra help and support. • You can change or update your details at any time. • If you agree, we'll share your Pegasus information with other participating emergency service.	e in an emergency or difficult situation. Ul us, say 'Pegasus', tell us your PIN and services staff if you need assistance in
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 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	
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	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	Sign up to Priority Services Register UK Power Networks
	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.	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.	Head Up! Home (head-up.org)
	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.	
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



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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.	
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 E 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 Email: hweicbenh.cypteam@nhs.net What is Integrated Care Board (ICB) The ICB is an NHS organisation that works together with many ot the population.	people.
SURVEYS	EMWiE: Emotional and Mental Wellbeing in Education Team The Emotional and Mental Wellbeing in Education Team want to understand more about why there's been an increase of children and young people struggling to regularly attend school. They are asking parents and carers to share their experiences in this survey.	Parent and Carer Feedback regarding their Young Person's School Avoidance (smartsurvey.co.uk)
Secondary School Information Day Survey	https://mailchi.mp/070db245f4e8/transitionsurvey For parents/carers of Year 6 SEND children following the open days at Secondary Schools take a moment to complete this short survey following the open days.	– your feedback is important – please



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Updates and Resources (nhdspl.org.uk) Find us on Facebook and Twitter

Children and Young People

SEND 0-25 years Hertfordshire's Local Offer	The Local Offer lets parents and young people know what special educational needs and disability services are available in Hertfordshire, and who can access them. Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Short Breaks (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Short breaks offers disabled children and young people the chance to spend time out with others socialising and doing fun activities, giving their families a break and providing them with confidence their child is well supported by a 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
HAMD.	(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)
Hertfordshire Family Centre Service	Hertfordshire Family Centre Service 1 North Herts Family Centre (hertsfamilycentres.org)
	Services for Young People Youth projects for young people with learning difficulties and/or learning disabilities. Services for Young People runs projects across Hertfordshire specifically for young people with mild to moderate learning difficulties and/or learning disabilities. See website for current information.
Services for Young People	Services for Young People is running an exciting programme of free holiday activities during the Easter 2024 school holidays. The activities are for young people aged 13-16, including those with special educational needs and disabilities, who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.
	The activities focus on healthy lifestyles. Young people will have the opportunity to take part in fun physical activities such as sports, dance and team games, get creative with arts and crafts, meet and socialise with other young people and get free healthy food every day.



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	There will be informal healthy lifestyles workshops on healthy food choices and cooking, emotional wellbeing and resilience, healthy relationships and smoking, drug and alcohol awareness.
	The activities will take place during the Easter holidays, from Tuesday 2 to Friday 5 April 2024, with each session lasting four hours a day. These activities will be held in all areas of Hertfordshire.
	There are 20 spaces per district and the allocation of places is on a first come, first served basis. Booking opens on 5 March. Support for young people (servicesforyoungpeople.org)
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
Sibs	YoungSibs - Sibs For brothers and sisters of disabled children and adults
3103	Advice and support
Herts Sports Disability	Various Activities - Lots of locations - Small Charge
Foundation	Find an Activity - Herts Disability (hdsf.co.uk)
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.



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Latchwarth Gardon City	Latchworth Cardon City Eagles have teamed up with partners Horts Sports Partnership and Hortfordshire Football Association to
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
	Sessions are Free of charge, FUN, relaxed, supportive, open to all abilities from age 5 upwards, Run on Sunday mornings during the
flyerzsahc@gmail.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/