

# How to get in touch

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## Pass it On Parents Family Advice & Support Team



**Supporting Families of  
Children with Special Educational  
Needs and Disabilities in  
Newcastle upon Tyne**



## **Skills for People**

Skills for People is a charity based in Newcastle upon Tyne. Since 1983 we have been supporting disabled people and their families. Our organisation seeks to promote the rights of disabled adults, children and their families.

Our Families team support parents and carers of disabled children and young people via Pass it on Parents, Family Advice & Support, Positive Behaviour Support Workshops, and supporting the Newcastle Parent Carer Forum. Skills for People also have a Key Worker team (who support families of young people on the DSR - Dynamic Support Register).

## **Information Advice and Support**

The team provides information and advice on a range of issues, from helping you to navigate your way around the Local Offer, to offering advice on specific matters such as transport, holidays, activities and planning for adulthood.

We can offer you practical information and advice, appropriate to your circumstances and we work across all agencies such as education, social care, health, benefits, leisure and voluntary services.

Our Information Advice and Support service will work with you to see if you need more in depth help and refer or connect you to other services.

## **Newsletter**

We send out an e-newsletter once a month to keep you connected with activities and information.

## **In Depth Casework**

We can offer in depth advice and support for parents/carers tailored to your individual family's needs, working with other agencies towards positive outcomes for your family. This support is usually more longer term, and is not time limited. For example we can support parents at meetings, help them prepare their views and ensure they feel that their voice and the voice of their children and young people are heard.

## **Grant Funding Applications**

We can provide help and guidance on completing grant funding application forms for items or activities which will help your family or child/young person. (This is often dependent on family income).

## **Parent Meet ups / Coffee Mornings / Drop ins**

Come for a cuppa and meet other parent/carers and find out what works for them. Speak to our team face to face to help you get information relevant to your family.

## **Social Media**

Our social media allows you to keep up to date with news and local activities for you and your family. You can connect with other parents/carers to help each other.

## **Workshops**

We offer a wide range of workshops on topics identified by parent / carers, such as Positive Behaviour Support. These are aimed at understanding and supporting your child's behaviour, particularly if their behaviour can be more challenging at times. We help parents to think about strategies and to come up with a plan that focuses on a good quality of life for your child and your family. There may be eligibility criteria for these workshops and are dependent on funding.