

Additional Needs Resources - a guide to the web

A-Z of specific conditions

<p>Attention Deficit Disorder</p> <p>ADDISS - information and support</p> <p>Angelman Syndrome Support Education and Research Trust - information, helpline, newsletter</p>	<p>http://www.addiss.co.uk/</p> <p>http://angelmanuk.org/</p>
<p>Autism and Asperger syndrome</p> <p>Ambitious about Autism - services, awareness-raising, campaigns</p> <p>Anna Kennedy Online - offers information, training and advice, and supports families with autism</p> <p>National Autistic Society - information, support and schools</p> <p>Peach - promotes early behavioural intervention for young children with autism</p> <p>Research Autism - the only UK charity dedicated to research into interventions in autism</p> <p>Talk about Autism - a safe and friendly online community</p>	<p>http://www.ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk/</p> <p>http://annakennedyonline.com/</p> <p>http://www.autism.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.peach.org.uk/</p> <p>http://researchautism.net/</p> <p>http://www.talkaboutautism.org.uk/</p>
<p>Cerebral palsy and hemiplegia</p> <p>CP Sport England - promotes sport and physical recreational opportunities for people with a disability, especially cerebral palsy</p> <p>HemiHelp - support for children and young people with hemiplegia (hemiparesis)</p> <p>Scope - helpline and factsheets for parents</p>	<p>http://www.cpsport.org/</p> <p>http://www.hemihelp.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.scope.org.uk/</p>
<p>Cockayne Syndrome</p> <p>Amy and friends - support and information for parents</p>	<p>http://www.amyandfriends.org/</p>
<p>Cystic fibrosis</p> <p>Cystic Fibrosis Trust - information, advice, support and funding</p>	<p>http://www.cysticfibrosis.org.uk/</p>

<p>Down syndrome</p> <p>Down Syndrome Education - educational opportunities for children</p> <p>Down's Heart Group - information about associated heart conditions</p> <p>Down's Syndrome Association - information by life stages, support and helpline</p> <p>Down's Syndrome Scotland - information and support</p> <p>Future of Down's - online parenting support group</p>	<p>http://www.dseinternational.org/en-gb/</p> <p>http://www.dhg.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.downs-syndrome.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.dsscotland.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.futureofdowns.com/</p>
<p>Dyslexia and dyspraxia</p> <p>Dyslexia-SpLD Trust (The) - a collaboration of voluntary and community organisations funded by the Dept of Education to help children with dyslexia/SpLD succeed in school</p> <p>Dyspraxia Foundation - books, suggestions, teen newsletter, and adult support group</p>	<p>http://www.thedyslexia-spldtrust.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk/</p>
<p>Epilepsy</p> <p>Daisy Garland Trust - focuses on children (up to 12) with difficult-to-control epilepsy</p> <p>Epilepsy Action- information and support for children, adults and families</p> <p>Young Epilepsy - information and resources for young people</p> <p>Fragile X Society - support, information and helplines for families, plus promotion of research</p> <p>Klinefelter's Syndrome Association UK - information and support</p> <p>Reft UK - information and support</p> <p>Sickle Cell Society - information and counselling</p>	<p>http://www.thedaisygarland.org.uk/</p> <p>https://www.epilepsy.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.youngpilepsy.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.fragilex.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.ksa-uk.net/</p> <p>http://www.ksa-uk.net/</p> <p>http://sicklecellsociety.org/</p>
<p>Spina bifida and hydrocephalus</p> <p>Shine - information and advice, including a helpline</p>	<p>http://www.shinecharity.org.uk/</p>

<p>Tourette's syndrome</p> <p>Tourettes Action - information and support</p>	<p>http://www.tourettes-action.org.uk/</p>
<p>Turner syndrome</p> <p>Turner Syndrome Support Society - information and support</p>	<p>http://tss.org.uk/</p>

General

<p>Brain injuries and conditions</p> <p>Advance: The Institute for The Scotson Technique unique restorative science for children and young people with brain injuries</p> <p>BIBIC (British Institute for Brain Injured Children) - offers families practical help</p> <p>Brainwave - home-based programme for children with brain injuries/genetic conditions</p> <p>Cerebra - support and information for families of children with brain-related conditions</p> <p>Child Brain Injury Trust - provides information and support for the effects of 'traumatic' injury on a child's developing brain</p> <p>Child Growth Foundation - information about conditions causing growth problems</p> <p>Climb - information for families of children living with inherited metabolic conditions</p> <p>Snowdrop - provides neural developmental therapy for conditions including Cerebral Palsy, Autism, genetic conditions, developmental delay and brain injury</p>	<p>http://www.scotsontechnique.com/</p> <p>http://www.bibic.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.brainwave.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.cerebra.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.childbraininjurytrust.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.childgrowthfoundation.org/</p> <p>http://www.climb.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.snowdrop.cc/</p>
<p>Chromosome disorders</p> <p>SOFT - support for families affected by Patau's syndrome, Edwards syndrome, partial Trisomy, mosaicism and related disorders</p> <p>Unique - information, networking and support for anyone affected by a rare chromosome disorder, their families and the professionals who work with them</p>	<p>http://www.soft.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.rarechromo.org/html/home.asp</p>

<p>Genetic Alliance - alliance of charities supporting children and families affected by genetic disorders</p>	<p>http://www.geneticalliance.org.uk/</p>
<p>Hearing impairments</p> <p>Elizabeth Foundation - helping deaf preschool children learn to listen and talk</p> <p>National Deaf Children's Society - help and support</p> <p>Heartline - support and help for children with congenital heart conditions and their families</p>	<p>http://www.elizabeth-foundation.org/</p> <p>http://www.ndcs.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.heartline.org.uk/</p>
<p>Learning difficulties / disabilities and special educational needs</p> <p>Easyhealth - accessible health information for parents, supporters and carers of people with learning disabilities, and people with milder learning disabilities themselves</p> <p>HE Special - for families who home educate children with special educational needs</p> <p>Mencap - support and information for families and carers of children with a learning disability</p> <p>Netbuddy - tips and bright ideas from parents, carers, teachers and therapists</p> <p>SOS!SEN - free confidential telephone helpline for people looking for information, advice and support</p> <p>Special Educational Needs Advice Centre - (SENAC) confidential advice line for parents looking for information on statutory special educational needs provision in Northern Ireland</p>	<p>http://www.easyhealth.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.he-special.org.uk/</p> <p>https://www.mencap.org.uk/about-learning-disability/information-parents-carers-and-family</p> <p>http://blog.scope.org.uk/2014/07/03/introducing-our-new-online-community/</p> <p>http://www.sossen.org.uk/index.php</p> <p>http://www.senac.co.uk/</p>
<p>Limb conditions</p> <p>REACH - support and advice for children with hand or arm deficiencies, and their parents</p> <p>Steps - support for parents of children affected by lower limb conditions</p>	<p>http://www.reach.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.steps-charity.org.uk/</p>
<p>Speech and language impairments</p> <p>Afasic - supports children with speech, language and communication impairments</p>	<p>http://www.afasic.org.uk/</p>

<p>I CAN - supports speech, language and communication development in children</p> <p>Signalong - provides resources and training in visual communication for children with communication difficulties</p>	<p>http://www.ican.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.signalong.org.uk/</p>
<p>Visual impairments</p> <p>Calibre Audio Library - provides audio books to those with sight impairment and dyslexia</p> <p>Living Paintings - a free library of Touch to See books bringing to life the visual world for blind or partially sighted people</p> <p>Load2Learn - accessible textbooks and images to support dyslexic, partially sighted or blind learners</p> <p>LOOK UK - supporting parents and carers of children with a visual impairment</p> <p>MISE (Mobility and Independence Specialists in Education) - holds a register of specialist practitioners who will deliver habilitation training to visually impaired children and young people</p> <p>National Blind Children's Society - help and info for children and young people with visual impairments, and their families</p> <p>Talking Books for Children - a free library of audio books for children, from the RNIB</p> <p>VICTA Visually Impaired Children Taking Action - support for blind and partially sighted children, young people and their families</p>	<p>http://www.calibre.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.livingpaintings.org/</p> <p>https://load2learn.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.look-uk.org/</p> <p>http://www.mise.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.blindchildrenuk.org/</p> <p>http://www.mib.org.uk/services-we-offer-reading-services-mib-national-library-service/books-children</p> <p>http://www.victa.org.uk/</p>

Resources

<p>Befriending</p> <p>Care for the Family - a national charity supporting family life in the good and tough times.</p> <p>Contact a Family - information on specific conditions and rare disorders, plus support group lists</p> <p>Disabled Parents Network - for disabled people who are parents or hope to become parents</p>	<p>http://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/Family-life/parent-support/parenting-additional-challenges/additional-needs-support</p> <p>http://www.cafamily.org.uk/</p> <p>http://disabledparentsnetwork.org.uk/</p>
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<p>Face2Face Network - befriending service for parents of children with special needs</p>	<p>http://www.scope.org.uk/support/services/befriending</p>
<p>Education</p> <p>CReSTed - register of schools which provide support for children with specific learning difficulties</p> <p>IPSEA - provides free legally based education advice</p> <p>National Parent Partnership Network - statutory services offering support to parents and carers</p>	<p>http://www.crested.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.ipsea.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.iassnetwork.org.uk/</p>
<p>Equipment and grants</p> <p>Cerebra - grants and help for children under 16 with neurological conditions</p> <p>Department for Work and Pensions - benefits information</p> <p>Disability Grants - guide to different grants available</p> <p>Family fund - grants for families with severely disabled or ill children aged 17 and under</p> <p>Fledglings - identifies and supplies practical, affordable products to help with everyday life</p> <p>Hearts and Minds - recycles old mobiles to raise funds to help families affected by autism</p> <p>Kidz Events - free exhibitions showcasing products and services to enhance independent living</p> <p>Living made easy - advice from occupational therapists about equipment for children and young people with disabilities</p> <p>New Life - information and grant services for funding equipment</p> <p>Totally Yours - a directory of useful resources for parents</p>	<p>http://www.cerebra.org.uk/English/Pages/home.aspx</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-work-pensions</p> <p>http://www.disability-grants.org/</p> <p>http://www.familyfund.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.fledglings.org.uk/</p> <p>http://heartsandmindschallenge.org/content/mobile-phone-exchange-home</p> <p>http://www.disabledliving.co.uk/Kidz/North</p> <p>http://www.livingmadeeasy.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.newlifecharity.co.uk/</p> <p>http://www.totallyyours.co.uk/</p>

<p>Whizz-Kidz - provides mobility equipment, training and advice</p>	<p>http://www.whizz-kidz.org.uk/</p>
<p>Experiences and opportunities</p> <p>Daytrippers - helps children with disabilities, life-limiting or terminal illnesses enjoy experiences that might otherwise not be available to them</p> <p>Disability Sport Events - support and promotes opportunities for disabled people with all impairments to take part in sporting events</p> <p>English Federation of Disability Sport - national charity for developing sport for disabled people in England.</p> <p>Kangaroos - runs activities in Mid Sussex for children and young adults with learning disabilities</p> <p>Sense Toys- educational toys and games for children with special needs</p> <p>Warrington Play and Sensory Centre - leisure, play and sensory activities for disabled children, young people and adults</p>	<p>http://www.daytrippers.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.disabilitysport.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.efds.co.uk/</p> <p>https://www.kangaroos.org.uk/public.php?src=home.php</p> <p>http://www.sensetoys.com/</p> <p>http://www.warrington.gov.uk/info/</p>
<p>Other</p> <p>Ouch! - blogs, news, features, information, podcasts from the BBC</p> <p>Potential Plus UK - information on support for families with children who are gifted, and have a disability or learning difficulties</p> <p>Sibs - charity for people who grow up with a disabled sibling or parent</p> <p>Special Kids in the UK - contact, information and support for families</p>	<p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs/ouch</p> <p>http://www.potentialplusuk.org/</p> <p>http://www.sibs.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.specialkidsintheuk.org/</p>
<p>Professionals</p> <p>Association of Child Psychotherapists - the main professional body for psychoanalytic child and adolescent psychotherapists in the UK</p> <p>British Association of Play Therapists - advice for parents of children with emotional and behavioural difficulties and listings of registered play therapists</p>	<p>http://www.childpsychotherapy.org.uk/</p> <p>http://www.bapt.info/</p>

Other useful links

Bliss - support and care to families of premature and sick babies across the UK

<http://www.bliss.org.uk/>

Child Death Helpline- for anyone affected by the death of a child, from prebirth to adult

<http://childdeathhelpline.org.uk/>

Children's Hospices UK - hospice care and services for children and young people

<http://www.togetherforshortlives.org.uk/>

Makaton - for anyone interested in Makaton sign language

<http://www.makaton.org/>

SNAP Childcare - specialist recruitment agency for special needs nannies and care workers

<https://www.snapchildcare.co.uk/>

Young Minds - works to improve young people's mental health; information and helpline for parents

<http://www.youngminds.org.uk/>