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	Search key words	using Ctrl F		
SEND 0-25 years	The SEND Local Offer has lots of resources including: ADD-vance Understanding ADHD Webinar ADD-vance Understanding Autism Webinar ADHD Foundation – a Teenager's guide to living with ADHD documents and resources (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Watch at a time to suit you webinars – Autism and ADHD	Are you a family with young people aged 0-25 with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities looking for local activities? The SEND commandly activities areatory promotes a vivel range of local activities and support groups, some activities will also include discounts for families registered on our Herrfordshire Additional Needs Distables (IAND).	Local Activities
JustTalk	Avoiding School or College Due to Anxiety (EBSA) (justtalkherts.org) Some children and young people struggle to attend school, or avoid attending due to emotional factors like anxiety. The Children's Wellbeing Practitioner (CWP) Service, part of Public Health School Nursing, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust (HCT) has recorded a two-part webinar focused on helping to support children and young people who are currently struggling with attending school due to anxiety: 1. Theory and Psychoeducation (just under 18 minutes long) School Based Avoidance - Part 1 (youtube.com) 2. Strategies and Tips (just over 30 minutes long) School Based Avoidance - Part 2 (youtube.com) This webinar is for parents, carers and professionals working with children and young people. See link for more Emotional Wellbeing workshops, Courses for parents and EBSA Guidance			
Preparing for a Healthy Adulthood	All children need to be health aware as they transition through pu and parents of children with any additional education needs to nat intervention tolerant as possible as they progress through childhoot videos to watch and to help you prepare a child you support or pa Adulthood (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	vigate this and help a chod and adolescence. It is	aild be as health aware and health spacked with useful tools and	Useful tools and videos help prepare a child for a healthy adulthood

Voices	of	Hor	tfor	dek	iro

Voices of Hertfordshire is our collective name for children and young people in Hertfordshire who are involved in shaping services for those with special educational needs and disabilities. The groups include:



- 4 Experts by Experience who feed back children and young people's opinions to the highest level of service leaders.
- HCC Services for Young People 1 youth councils for those with SEND and Youth Projects (1 of each per district)
- HCC Multi-Schools partnership in specialist Primary and all-through schools
- Any young person with SEND involved in the Voices of the East
- Any young person with SEND accessing services

Learn more in our latest news blog: Placing the power to change in children and young people's hands

SOURCE: SEND News – subscribe for updates



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We are pleased to announce the launch of our new 'Voices of Hertfordshire' <u>YouTube</u> and <u>Instagram</u> accounts. This is a chance for young people to share their opinions and ideas on SEND services in Hertfordshire and directly influence improvement work. Give us a follow, and if you'd like to know more or

know any young people who'd like to get involved, please contact our participation lead: sarah.stevens2@hertfordshire.gov.uk (Please note: You Tube - children aged 13-17 require adult consent. Instagram - for ages 13+) **SOURCE:** SEND News - subscribe for updates



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Hertfordshire Children and Young People's Mental Health Service Directory

The services below provide a combination of early intervention and more specialist support for children and young people's mental health. Click the service name to be redirected to more information.





 ▼ Telephone service Online/virtual service

♣ Face to face service ↑ Referral required

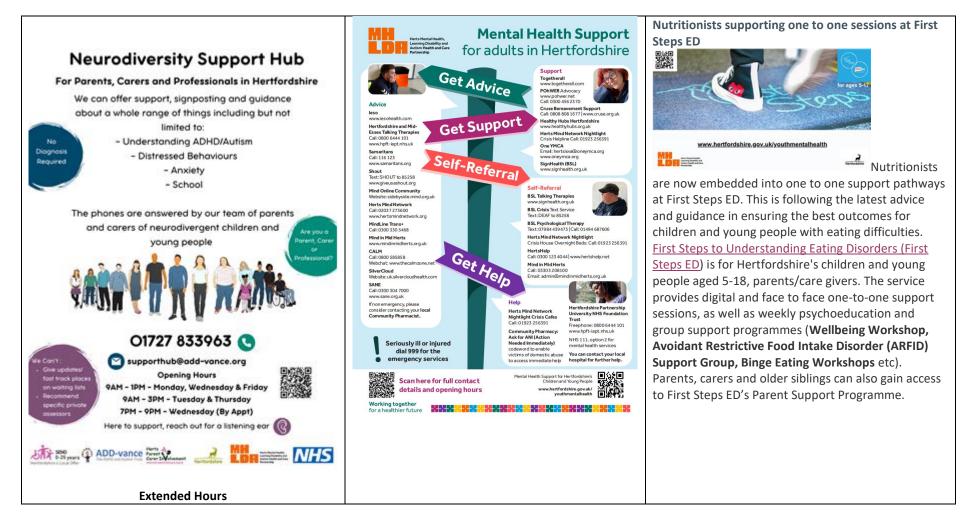
— Includes support for early years

- Reaching developmental and emotional milestones, learning healthy social skills and how to cope when there are problems. Mentally healthy children have a positive quality of life and can function well at home, in school, and in their communities.
- Difficulties with normal life problems, poor self confidence, low self esteem, low aspirations, difficult family relationships, poor peer relationships, experimental substance misuse, bereavement, poor concentration, difficulty sustaining relationships, some worries, low mood.
- Many worries, high levels of anxiety, persistent low mood, body image concerns, behaviour puts peers at risk, persistent or high risk substance misuse, risk taking behaviour, unable to display empathy, difficulty coping with anger or frustration, bereavement by suicide/suspected suicide, withdrawn or unwilling to engage, disruptive or challenging behaviour, unable to maintain peer relationships (bullying, bullied or aggression
- Mental health problems which are:
 - · Persistent, complex and severe
 - Present in all environments (home, school, with peers)
 - · Beyond a normal response to life's problems
- Deliberate self harm requiring hospital treatment, suicidal ideation with imminent plan and means, psychotic episode (hearing unexpected voices, unrealistic or racing thoughts not related to physical or substance misuse), intentional overdosing, persistent inability to engage with services or support offered. risk taking behaviour with no underlying mental health disorder, unresponsive to treatment and continuing to decline.

If you have any suggested changes to the directory, please email shelley.woods@hertfordshire.gov.uk



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	Local Offer	Up on <u>Downs</u>	DS <u>Achieve</u>	Lending SPACE
SEND	North Herts Family Centre	<u>Abilities</u> in Me	Down's <u>Syndrome</u> Listening Service	
	Angels <u>Support</u> Group	<u>ADD</u> -vance	SPACE in Herts	<u>Potential</u> Kids
Autism, ADHD, Neurodiversity	Ambitious About Autism	Autism <u>Hertfordshire</u> Transition Service for 16-20 year olds	<u>SPRINGBOARD</u>	ADHD Foundation
	Hertfordshire - Workshops The Tooll children/young people: Understanding	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	NESSie FREE training for ch	ildren and young people My World & Me
	CYPMHS Service Directory - SW (justtalkherts.org)	NHS Herts <u>Community</u> Trust	Children's <u>Wellbeing</u> 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 <u>Network</u>	First Steps <u>ED</u>
	Just <u>Talk</u> Herts	The <u>Ollie</u> Foundation	<u>Togetherall</u>	<u>BeeZee</u> Bodies
Mental Health & Wellbeing	Lumi Nova Herts Mind Network Child (withyouth.org) Fun, Digital Therapeu olds to manage fears and anxieties		Carers in Herts (<u>CAMHS</u> Support)	Young Minds Front Page — The Creative Mental Health Charity PoetsIN™
	Directory Hub of Hope	Mental Health Service <u>Directory</u>	WELL BEING <u>SUPPORT</u> FOR PARENT CARERS	
	Help for your young person Is your young person struggling with poor mental health?	Herts Mind <u>Network</u> – wellbeing courses		
	Courses Coming Up Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org)	Mental health and wellbeing Hertfordshire County Council	SandBox	This May <u>Help</u>



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	Services for <u>Young</u> People	Family Lives	The Hertfordshire Local	Carewaves and Newsletters - Carers In Herts	
	<u>Families</u> in Focus	Families First (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Offer Capa First Response You are not alone - Capa First Response We support families and professionals impacted by child or adolesc on parent abuse. Child/adolescent on parent abuse support		
Parenting & Young People	Supporting Links	Families Feeling <u>Safe</u>	Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Service Hertfordshire Commu NHS Trust (hct.nhs.uk) Pre-recorded webinar, workshops for parel carers and young people and links to the guidance docs.		
	Step2Skills Hertfordshire County Council Tech Safe (incl Gaming) FREE Online Safety resources Avoiding School/College: Anxiety Avoiding School or College Due to Anxiety (EBSA) (justtalkherts.org)		Emotionally Based School A	Avoidance (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	
	Relationship support Relationship support for parents Hertfordshire County Council		Parent Signposting NHPSS Parent Guide 23-24.pdf		
			Supporting <u>Transi</u>	ition to Secondary School	
Transition & Exams	Transition & Exam and Revision Stress Exam and Revision Stress (justtalkherts.org)		Early Years; Supporting Sm (hfleducation.org)	nooth Transitions; Activity cards 2022	
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) Step2Skills Hertfordshire County Council 		 Help for children v (hertfordshire.gov Caring for your he Deaf and Hearing 	ealth into adulthood (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Support Service (hertfordshire.gov.uk) and resources (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	
	Making SEND Everyone's Business - investing in our workforce (hertfordshire.gov.uk)				



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Tech Safe

FREE resources for parent, carer, teachers, any role that cares for children's safety online. Safety resources are also designed for families with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities including Autism and ADHD.

See details

Info Hub - TechSafe

Includes a useful video clip on Is this game suitable for my child (TechSafe Gaming)

FOLLOW Help develop Speech, Language & Communication Skills at home **ADDED WEEKLY 95**

Autism Voice Hertfordshire

FOLLOW | Linktree

Introducing the FOLLOW campaign! A very simple and easy to use set of strategies that parents and carers can use with their little ones to help develop speech, language and communication skills at home. For more information, please use the link below. https://linktr.ee/EYFOLLOW











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Big Listen – Ofsted	Ofsted have launched their "Big Listen" today. This is an opportunity for everyone involved with children and education to share their views – including around children with SEND. Ofsted 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 &	You can make a referral to these services by following the below links or visiting our website www.hct.nhs.uk		
	Speech, and Language Therapy. The digital referral form route is accessible	TELEGRAPHON TELEGRAPHON TELEGRAPHON		







'Introduction to the SEND Local Offer website' – webinar

by an online link for use by appropriate referrers including Schools,

Parents/Carers, Self-referrals, GP's and Health Care Professionals.

SEND Local Offer Website

The Local Offer website lets parents, young people and professionals know what special educational needs and disabilities services are available in Hertfordshire, and who can access them. There is so much more than that, too. A friendly face from the Local Offer team will take you through what's on the website and how you can use it to find the right services and support. <u>www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/localoffer</u>

A quick note: The Local Offer website is different to Short Breaks (SBLO). We won't be going into detail about SBLO.



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Avoiding School / College due to Anxiety	Avoiding School or College Due to Anxiety (EBSA) (justtalkherts.org)
Watch "Improving the way we manage our EHCP duties in Hertfordshire"	"For those of you who couldn't make it to the webinar on Thursday 23 May, the recording is now on our YouTube, with subtitles and BSL. In the recording, Hero Slinn, our Director of Inclusion and Skills takes you through how we are investing in our EHCP workforce to ensure we are delivering more EHCPs on time and to a better quality. It's quite a long video, so we have added chapters for you to get to the parts you are most interested in. Some key points from the webinar include: We have recruited 112 new staff so far to manage EHCPs. Most are EHC Coordinators, some have joined our quality assurance or resolution and reconciliation team. 70 of the new staff have completed their 3 month induction training and are joining their teams, with 12 in the training programme now By September all new staff will have joined and completed their training, meaning there will be many new colleagues managing EHCPs. Change will take time - we hope positive impacts will be felt later in the year." Watch "Improving the way we manage our EHCP duties in Hertfordshire" on YouTube.

The Toolbox	Understanding my autism and/or ADHD (ages 7-16)	Hertfordshire The Toolbox
	Webinars, courses and workshops to support children and young people aged 7-16 with Autism,	(mindler.co.uk)
	ADHD or both. These are available both online and in-person and are designed to help young	
	people understand their Autism and/or ADHD in a fun and engaging way. They are led by	
	experienced professionals and will provide tailored strategies and an opportunity to connect with	
	other neurodivergent young people.	
SEND 0-25 Hertfordshire's	GUEST BLOG: Coping with school when you are autistic	Guest blog: Coping with school when
Local Offer		you're autistic (hertfordshire.gov.uk)
	Quality of life at home toolkit Ambitious about Autism	Animated films – advice/guidance on
Ambitious about Autism	Quality of life at home toolkit – series of five animated films provides advice and guidance on	managing emotional needs
	managing the emotional needs of autistic children and young people.	
	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 who are happy to share	
Autism Central	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	



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Hertfordshire Autism Autism Hertfordshire	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) Workshops for ages 16 to 25 email Rachel.hatton@autismherts.org Upcoming Events			Level 1 Autism Training e-learning » Autism Bedfordshire
Transition Service for 16-20	Parents & Cares of autistic young adults (16-25)		Support Groups »	Autism Bedfordshire
year olds Autism UK	Social stories and comic strip conversations (autism.org.uk)	Social Stories and Comic Strip C	l onversations	
ADHD Foundation	Resources Archive - ADHD Foundation : ADHD Foundation Resources Foundation			
The Add-Vantage	Coffee & Connection - ADHD Womens Wellbeing Community Hub Tickets, Multiple Dates Eventbrite Recharge Retreat Day - ADHD Womens Wellbeing Community Hub Tickets Eventbrite		For Women with ADHD – Coffee & Connection 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 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. About Us - The Phoenix Group for Deaf Children	uk)		Local Group for Deaf Children



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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	
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	
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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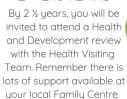
Supporting your Child's Development in the Early Years

If you have any concerns around your child's health or development, you can contact the Family Centre Service (Health Visiting and Family Support) on



2 - 2 ½ YEARS

3 - 4 YEARS The term after your child's 3rd birthday you are entitled to 15 hours a week free earlu education. Your childcare provider will support you with any concerns around your child's development.



0-11 MONTHS

Your baby's Health and Development is important and the Health Visiting Team supports the health, development and wellbeing of your baby. Scan the QR code below to book to weigh your baby.

The Family Support Service will also be in touch to welcome you.





By 10 months you will be invited to attend a Health and Development review with the Health Visiting Team.

FAMILY CENTRE SERVICE

Can offer support with: - introducing Solid Food -Toileting - Sleep, routines and boundaries.

Scan the QR code below to find out more and to book.



4 - 5 YEARS

Your child can start school the term after their 4th birthday. Your school will support you with any concerns around your child's development.





Scan the QR code for more information on services available and to book sessions at a Familu Centre.











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MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEI	NG			
CYPMHS Children & Young People's Mental Health Services	7pm to 9pm [online over Zoom on first Tuesday of e parents and carers welcome. Is your young person struggling with poor mental h like to speak to people who understand? Would you more about strategies to help your child towards recyou like support for yourself?	nealth? Would you I like to learn	BOOKING: Children Young People's Me Herts	ental Health Services (CYPMHS) - Carers In
Lumi Nova	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?			
Hub of Hope	Mental Health Support Network provided by Chasin	g the Stigma Hub (of hope	
The Sandbox Online Mental Health Digital Advice and Guidance Services for 10-25s l	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 website with acce group chats and o young people, the and other profess provides access to Behavioural There support from prof phone, online cha triage of the youn	S funded service offer a ess to games, worksheets, online events for children, eir parents/carers, teachers sionals. The Sandbox o internet enabled Cognitive apy (iCBT), or one to one fessional therapists by text, at or video call, based on a	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)
<u>NESSie</u>	 Parent/Carer Chat and Connect Session – online via This monthly Parent/Carer Chat, regular online dresimilar experiences supporting the child's mental hadvice and support. Different topic each month. Nessie Public Booking Platform V2.0 (procfu.com) NESSie is funded by HCC to support parents/carers of is to help parents/carers develop a positive and more peer support; useful strategies and practical tools. 	op in offers an infor nealth. These sessic of children and youn	ons are facilitated by Specialist	t Family Support Workers who can offer mental health issues. The aim of this work



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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

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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Young Minds Challenging Behaviour Foundation	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 Video challenging behaviour - Challenging Behaviour Foundation Positive Behaviour Support - Challenging Behaviour Foundation	Guide: Help your child with ADHD Guide: Autism and Mental Health Guide: Transitions and Change 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.
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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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)	How to sleep well for teenagers: How to sleep well for teenagers Evelina London Includes: Body Image, Exam Stress, Diabetes, Immunisation Health For Teens Everything you wanted to know about health Thrive and Survive guide for young people starting university: Thrive and Survive Guide September 2023 (justtalkherts.org)			
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 				
Children's Wellbeing Practitioners	HCT Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Events Eventbrite Upcoming courses: Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation, Emotional Wellbeing Workshop, Slee Workshop, Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Service Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust (hct.nhs.uk) Frecorded webinar, workshops for parents / carers and young people and links to the guidance	re- School Avoidance			



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Bereavement: Living with Grief and Loss HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk)		Bereavement and Grief
Care for Carers HPFT IAPT Services (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 HPFT I	APT 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 Ser	Managing Worry HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-iapt.nhs.uk) Managing worry	
Understanding Low Self-esteem	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)		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:
<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)



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Herts Mind Network	Overcoming Social Anxiety – Hertfordshire Mind Network (hertsmindnetwork.org) Course details	Coming soon : Overcoming Social
	coming soon	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)	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) • Support with Future Plans • Volunteering and Looking for a Job • Real Hertfordshire Positive Future Stories	What's Next? Let's Just Talk about the Future.
Nip In the Bud	https://youtu.be/uMdDB8Gxono Promoting awareness of mental health disorders in children – Does my child Need help?	Early Intervention
HCC Services for Young People	Services for Young People North Herts Wellbeing Project at Hitchin Young People's Centre If you're aged 12-15 and struggling w Services for Young People Listings	12 to 15 year olds struggling with anxiety or low-mood, Meet weekly – Term Time
Mind Hertfordshire Network CYP Digital Wellbeing	Lumi Nova: Therapeutic Digital Intervention Gaming App 7 to 12 years (sch yrs 3 to 7) who are experiencing anxiety, might also benefit from an evidence based digital therapeutic intervention via game app Lumi Nova: Tales of Courage. Can play without having an assessment or diagnosis	Digital Wellbeing Services
	With YOUth - Children & Young People's Digital Wellbeing Service Launching this autumn, to help young people manage their worries.	Digital directory
	New digital early help service from Monday, 3 October 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,	Gaming App - Anxiety Help



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	behavioural difficulties, school attendance, low mood, relationship difficulties, bullying or self-harm. Not for children who are in crisis. www.withyouth.org (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.	
	<u>Stevenage – Mind in Mid Herts</u> Wellbeing Support Groups: Men's Group / LGBTQ+ Group, Drop-In, Arts & Crafts, Women's Group	See website for full details
Mind in Mid Herts	North Herts – Mind in Mid Herts Outreach Support / Hitchin – Walk & Talk Group / Baldock – Wellbeing Group Royston – Arts & Crafts + Wellbeing Group	Learning to Relax

	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 Parenting When Separated Programme	Separation/Divorce – Parenting
	Fledglings is a non-profit shop that helps children with additional needs by supplying products &	Additional needs products & equipment
Hertfordshire Constabulary:	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-registered information safe on our computer 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 in an emergency or difficult situation. • 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 call us, say 'Pegasus', tell us your PIN and 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 services staff if you need assistance in 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 services (fire, ambulance) and local authorities.	



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Priority Support Register (get support in the event of a power cut)	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) 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.	Head Up! Home (head-up.org) 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! Award Winning Weight Loss and Behaviour Change programmes (beezeebodies.com) For Families (beezeebodies.com)	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.go v.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. Ralphine and Poppy's Play Café – Stevenage	Contact the Ohana Team ohana@hertfordshire.gov.uk Fionna 07866 224876 Bev 07749 778756



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	10am to 12pm 27 June/10 July	
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
Cana First Bashansa	Capa First Response You are not alone - Capa First Response	Child/adolescent on parent abuse
Capa First Response	We support families and professionals impacted by child or 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: hweicbenh.cypteam@nhs.net What is Integrated Care Board (ICB) The ICB is an NHS organisation that works together with many other organisations to improve the health	
Step2Skills	of the population. Step2Skills Hertfordshire County Council	



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Children and Young People

•	The Local Offer lets parents and young people know what special educational needs and disability services are available in Hertfordshire, and who
SEND	can access them. Find courses and things to do (hertfordshire.gov.uk)
0-25 years	Short Breaks (hertfordshire.gov.uk) Short breaks offers disabled children and young people the chance to spend time out with others socialising and
Hertfordshire's Local Offer	doing fun activities, giving their families a break and providing them with confidence their child is well supported by a trained worker. They include
Ther tior daring a bocat offer	holiday and Saturday clubs, and activities range from canoeing and computer skills to logo. You will need to register for Short Breaks
	(<u>hertfordshire.gov.uk SBLO Application Form</u>) See if you qualify: <u>Short Breaks (hertfordshire.gov.uk)</u>
	Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database
4	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)
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Family Centre	North Herts Family Centre (hertsfamilycentres.org)
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	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 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
Services for	team games, get creative with arts and crafts, meet and socialise with other young people and get free healthy food every day.
Young People	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



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	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)	
Inclusive United	Inclusive United is a not for profit UK Community Interest Company (CIC) based in Hertfordshire. Main goal is to create more inclusive sport	
Inclusive United Inclusive	opportunities for underrepresented communities.	
<u>Sports</u>		
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 of disability	
Hertford RFC	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	Enquires: www.northhertsarena.co.uk	
Football – more dates coming	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 will be open to	
soon – see website for details	booking via our website closer to the time.	
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Letchworth Garden City	Letchworth Garden City Eagles have teamed up with partners Herts Sports Partnership and Hertfordshire Football Association to deliver weekly	
Eagles Football	sessions for players with any disabilities. The disability sessions will initially run for 12 weeks and are aimed at all differing impairments. The	
Junior Ability Counts –	sessions will provide a safe fun learning environment for all players taking part. Run by a qualified coach, all sessions will take place on the	
<u>Inclusive Football – Every</u>	Hertfordshire FA state of the art 3G pitch and offer the opportunity to participate in exciting and engaging practices. As well as developing skills	
Wednesday 4.00pm to	within football, the program will also help improve social skills and confidence. The aim of the coaching program is to create an enjoyable and	
5.00pm – Letchworth Garden	safe environment for everybody to enjoy sport. During the program, we will look to develop sporting skills, as well as social skills and confidence. 7	
<u>City Eagles FC</u>	to 15 Years. Wednesdays 4pm to 5pm FREE Hertfordshire County Ground, Letchworth SG6 2EN Home (nhdspl.org.uk) 07788 391 609	
(letchwortheagles.org.uk)		
FLYERZ HOCKEY	St Albans Flyerz is a disability hockey project which makes hockey available to ALL via inclusive sessions, supported by St Albans Hockey	
St. Albans HC Flyerz	St Albans Hockey Club, East Drive, Oaklands College, Hatfield Road, St Albans, AL4 0JA	
(stalbanshc.co.uk)	Sessions are Free of charge, FUN, relaxed, supportive, open to all abilities from age 5 upwards, Run on Sunday mornings during the club jnr training	
flyerzsahc@gmail.com	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/	