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Webinar: The right education, in the	NEW 114	NEW 114	NEW 114
right place, at the right time: enhancing inclusive mainstream schools and	6wk teens ADHD/Autism cours	Parenting ADHD	Rejection Sensitive <u>Dysphoria</u>
increasing specialist provision in	• PDA	 Anger & Conflict 	
Hertfordshire	Anxiety	EHCP Review	
NEW 114	NEW 114	Child Wellbeing Practitioners	Supporting Links
EHC Portal	Step2Skills <u>Courses</u>	NEW 114	NEW 114
		• Self- <u>esteem</u>	 Responding to Anger
		 Regulation 	Tech Use
		• Sleep	School Avoidance
NHS Talking Therapies	Springboard Letchworth Open Afternoon	Contact	Autism Central
NEW 114		 Money Matters 	
Herts <u>Mind</u> Network	SEND News Sign up for SEND News for	NESSie this week/coming soon	Watch now: Watch "Improving the way
NEW 114	email updates <u>SEND news - 30 September</u>	Bullying	we manage our EHCP duties in
Staying Well	2024 (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Anxiety	Hertfordshire" on YouTube.
Sleeping Well		Bereavement	
Keeping Calm			
Families in Focus	Autism <u>Hertfordshire</u> Transition Service	Sandbox	ADHD Foundation
	for 16-20 year olds	Body Image 2 (mindler.co.uk)	Resources Archive - ADHD Foundation :
		Resource Zone The Sandbox	ADHD Foundation
		(mindler.co.uk)	
Family Lives	Herts Parent Carer <u>Involvement</u>	Mental <u>Health</u> First Aid	Autism UK Social stories and comic strip
			conversations (autism.org.uk)
Families <u>Feeling</u> Safe	Wellbeing: Young People		
SENsational Active Tots with	supporting-your-neurodiverse-child-	Carers In Herts & Young Carers	CEOP Safety Centre
Stevenage FC (ages 1-5)	handbook-pdf-6.6mb.pdf (hertfordshire.gov.uk)		



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The <u>SEND</u> Local Offer

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	SEND
ONA	0-25 years

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Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database (<u>HAND</u>)	Hertfordshire Additional Needs Database – voluntary register of disabled children and young people aged 0-25. By joining the register you can get discounts at places around the county and beyond.	Short <u>Breaks</u>	Short breaks offer 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, with activities ranging from Lego and computer skills to buddying sessions.
Educational, health and care plans (<u>EHCP</u>)	If SEN support isn't enough, then an Education, Health and Care Plan might be the next step.	Support with education	The educational support your child is entitled to, types of education and how to access learning if your child can't get into school
Courses and <u>activities</u> in Hertfordshire	Find courses, clubs and activities for you and your family, and short breaks and childcare too.	Early Years (ages 0-5)	Help available in the early years, including health visitors and family centres.
Contact a <u>SEND</u> service	Information on how to contact SEND service and details of their Advice Lines	Services for children and young people (ages 0-25)	From doctors and dentists to more specialist support for complex needs.
Preparing for <u>adulthood</u>	Thinking about your child's future early can help to relieve some of the worries you might have. Advice on how you and your child can prepare.	Services for parents, carers and families	Organisations who support parents, carers and families of children with SEND in Hertfordshire.
Money	Financial support you can apply for yourself, money advice, and funding professionals can get too.	<u>Feedback</u>	Find out how you can shape SEND services, or what to do if you're not happy.
The SEND Local Offer has lots of resources including:	Watch at a time to suit you webinars – Autism and ADHD ADD-vance Understanding ADHD Webinar ADD-vance Understanding Autism Webinar	ADHD Foundation – a (hertfordshire.gov.uk)	Teenager's guide to living with ADHD <u>SEND documents and resources</u>
Introducing the new EHC Portal: tracking the EHC assessment process with ease	Hertfordshire County Council Introducing the new EHC Portal: tracking the EHC assessment process with ease	October. The portal w	v online EHC Portal for families, launching (in a phased way) from mid- vill make it easier for families to track the progress of their Education Needs Assessment. See link for further details.



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Webinar: The right education, in the right place, at the right time: enhancing inclusive mainstream schools and increasing specialist provision in Hertfordshire

How to join:

There is no need to book: Just save this joining link, which you can use to join the meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27 November:

Webinar joining link

Or you can use these details to sign in with MS Teams: Meeting ID: 376 847 150 22

Passcode: 9b4935

Webinar: The right education, in the right place, at the right time

Enhancing inclusive mainstream schools and increasing specialist provision in Hertfordshire

Wednesday 27 November 2024

7.30pm - 8.30pm Online (MS Teams)

Hertfordshire

Wednesday 27 November, 7.30pm - 8.30pm MS Teams (a BSL interpreter will be present)

Hear from leaders at the council talk about how we're addressing the increased need for specialist provision in Hertfordshire. They will be sharing information about:

- the work we are doing to increase specialist provision in Hertfordshire
- details of our new model for provision panels
- the work we are doing to create more inclusive mainstream schools.

If there are any questions you would like to have answered during the session, please email them

to sendstrategy@hertfordshire.gov.uk before 11pm on Monday 18 November. We will theme up the questions we get and try to answer as many as we can during the session. We can't respond to questions about specialist provision for individual children, but we will address the general questions we know a lot of families have about this topic.

There will be a BSL interpreter present at this event.

Services For Young People

Services for Young People (SfYP) Megamix Project for young people with SEND ages 13-17

Tuesdays, 6:30pm to 8:30pm Bowes Lyon Young People's Centre

Services for Young People (SfYP) Megamix Project for young people with SEND ages 13-17 (Stevenage) - 15/10/2024 | Hertfordshire County Council

Supporting your Neurodivergent Child handbook

Hertfordshire County Council and the NHS are delighted to share with you the exciting and new **Supporting your Neurodivergent Child handbook** that has been developed for Hertfordshire parent/carers and professionals. The <u>Neurodiversity Handbook</u> has useful resources, support and signposting on a whole range of things relating to Neurodiversity. The resource is accessible to all regardless of whether the young person has a diagnosis or not, and can be used at any point during a young person's journey.



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Springboard Letchworth

Open Afternoon North Hertfordshire College

For young people aged 16 and over who require additional support

Please note our address for this event will be:

Springboard Letchworth Town Hall, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 3BX

The nearest car park is Morrison's where you can park for free for three hours. North Hertfordshire College is pleased to announce our open afternoon at **Springboard Letchworth** which will be held on **Wednesday 27**th **of November 3pm – 5pm** at our prestigious premises. This is an opportunity for professionals, parents, and prospective students to meet the team and find out more about the Springboard programme.

Springboard is a full-time personalised course which provides students with the support, knowledge, skills and confidence to become more independent, make informed decisions and ultimately to progress into mainstream college and work. The course is delivered in self-contained teaching centres in Watford and Letchworth.

Springboard is for young people aged 16 and over who require additional support before progressing to a cross college vocational course or employment. Many of our students have a diagnosis or traits of autism. Many have associated emotional and mental health needs that require specialist and bespoke support before they can move on and make a successful transition to adulthood. We do also consider 15-year-olds but only if they have a EHCP.

Our students study Employability, Functional Skills Maths and English from E3 to Level 2, Creative Arts (Drama) Therapy, Life Skills, Personal Development and Wellbeing, Vocational Tasters in Art, Cooking and First Aid, Enrichment, and complete 34 hours of work experience in their vocational area of interest. We support our students to transition into cross college vocational courses, supported internships or apprenticeships or employment by helping them to discover what they want to do after Springboard, arranging taster sessions and supporting them at interviews.

Students need to meet our assessment criteria in order to access the provision although individual needs are always considered and decisions are made on a case by case basis and subject to funding being approved by the Local Authority.

If you would like to attend please RSVP to Mickaela Windsor mwindsor@nhc.ac.uk or Rebecca Lewis rebecca.lewis@nhc.ac.uk or call us on 07943526089.

To help us to manage numbers we would appreciate a confirmation from you as to what time you are planning to attend.

If you are unable to attend but would like to find out more about our provision, we would be happy to meet with you on an individual basis. Please email Mickaela or Rebecca at the above emails and we can arrange for you to come in and see us. Alternatively, we can come to your setting to meet with you any groups of students and parents that you believe would benefit from Springboard.



Voices of Hertfordshire - YouTube

Instagram: Voices of Hertfordshire (@voicesofhertfordshire)



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> Shout Text: SHOUT to 85258

MindLine Trans+ Call: 0300 330 5468

Mind in Mid Herts

SANE Call: 0300 304 7000 www.sane.org.uk

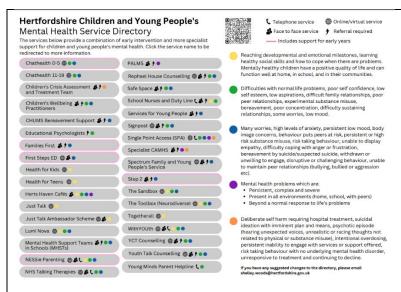
> Seriously ill or injured dial 999 for the

emergency services

Scan here for full contact

details and opening hours

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Mental health support for all children and young people in Hertfordshire (justtalkherts.org)

Join Team, our 12-week personal development programme for the change to gain new skills, take a qualification and meet new people. For ages 16-25.

Take on your own group community project. Take part in an action-packed residential trip. Get two weeks' work experience. Develop your English and Maths skills. Spend some time developing your CV and interview skills.

Mental Health Support

for adults in Hertfordshire

BSL Talking Therapies www.signhealth.org.uk

BSL Crisis Text Service Text: DEAF to 85258

Mind in Mid Herts Call: 03303 208100

BSL Psychological Therapy Text: 07984 439 473 | Calt 01494 687606

Get Support

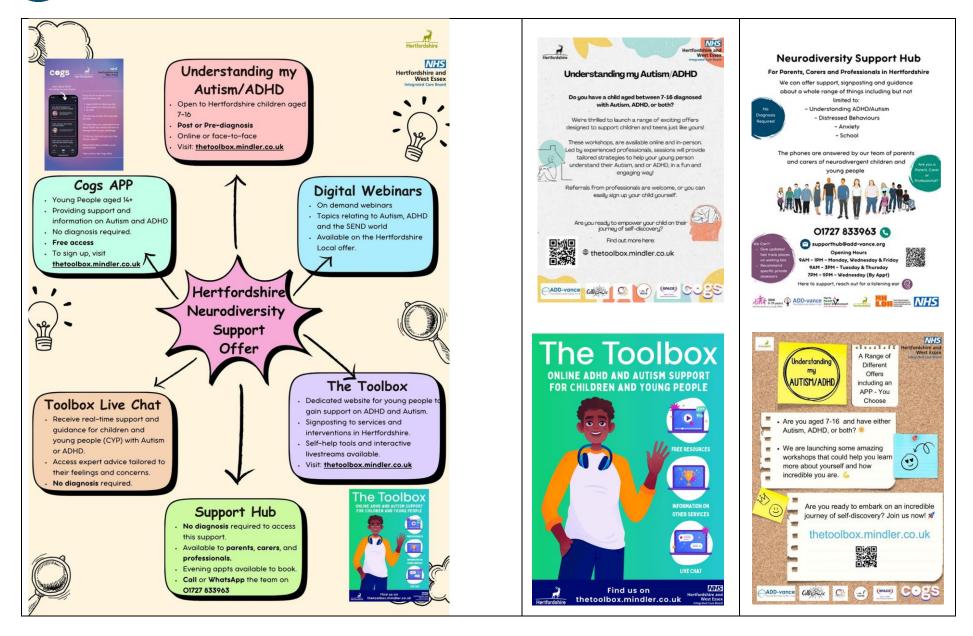
Self-Referral



Contact to book your place
07866 898309
katy.carroll@hertfordshire.gov.uk
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FOLLOW Help develop Speech, **Language & Communication** Skills at home

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











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









Nutritionists supporting one to one sessions at First Steps ED

Nutritionists are now embedded into one to one support pathways at First Steps ED. This is following the latest advice and guidance in ensuring the best outcomes for children and young people with eating difficulties.

First Steps to Understanding Eating Disorders (First Steps ED) is for Hertfordshire's children and young people aged 5-18, parents/care givers. The service provides digital and face to face one-to-one support sessions, as well as weekly psychoeducation and group support programmes (Wellbeing Workshop, Avoidant Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID) Support Group, Binge Eating Workshops etc). Parents, carers and older siblings can also gain access to First Steps ED's Parent Support Programme.

'Cogs' wellbeing app for neurodiverse young people (ages 14+)

'Cogs' is a wellbeing app created by and for the neurodivergent community. For ages 14+, it can help young people navigate their day, understand more about autism and ADHD and build positive habits. Register for free access on the Toolbox website



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Free online wellbeing groups for neurodivergent and/or disabled young people (ages 13-25)

Young neurodivergent and/or disabled people aged 13-25 (plus those awaiting diagnosis or young people with suspected diagnosis) can join KIDS for free self-care groups, every Thursday 3pm - 4pm throughout summer. Every week will be different. This is a space for you to recharge and reset. Every session you will be able to talk and get to know other young people. These will be safe spaces for peer support and connection so this is the place to share experiences and ask for advice. There will be an opportunity to try different types of movement such as dance, yoga and stretches. We'll end each session with some mindfulness that might include music and sounds.

All activities are optional and you can join to talk and/or listen only. You will be able to take breaks when you need. All the movements can be adapted to be done from a chair.

In the past, we have run peer support groups on:

- Social anxiety
- Protecting our mental health online
- Boundaries
- Autistic burnout
- Making a self-care plan

Young people suggested all the topics above themselves for groups and we are always open to what young people would like to talk to about. The young people have also suggested film and book discussion groups and a group to talk about their special interests, there is no shortage of ideas on what to do moving forward. All of the groups have time for the young people to input on what they want to do next.

The groups can be a really good place to learn about neurodivergence in general and managing your mental health with respect to this and to ask any questions when you are at the start of the diagnostic process.

If you have any questions or want to have a chat about this group, please email Orla at orla.price@kids.org.uk. Orla can also set up meetings with young people 1:1 to provide any support or answer any questions to do with accessing the groups. View all of the wellbeing groups - Young People's Hub from KIDS

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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	Anger & Conflict			
Navigating the SEND World Po	Navigating the SEND World			
EHCP Annual Reviews Worksho	op Tickets, Mon 11 Nov 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	EHCP Annual Reviews Workshop		
Understanding Autism Worksh	nop Tickets, Tue 12 Nov 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Understanding Autism		
Understanding and Supporting	g Executive Functioning Difficulties Tickets, Tue 12 Nov 2024 at 18:30 Eventbrite	Executive Functioning Difficulties		
Parenting ADHD Skills (ADHD F	Foundation) Tickets, Wed 13 Nov 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Parenting ADHD Skills		
FOR FURTHER ACTIVITIES AND SE	SSIONS SEE: SPACE HERTFORDSHIRE Events Eventbrite	Additional Activities		
ADD-Vance	A registered charity with a team of over 20 dedicated trainers, coaches, admin staff and voluntee and/or Autism. Some HCC Funded workshops are recorded to enable you to watch at a convenience.			
FREE Introductory 6 week cou Thursdays, 7 Nov to 12 Dec 10	Understanding ADHD & Autism (Teen Years) FREE Introductory 6 week courses for parent/cares of teens Thursdays, 7 Nov to 12 Dec 10am to 12pm St Ippolyts Parish Hall, Waterdell Lane, St Ippolyts Hitchin SG4 7RB Understanding ADHD and Autism in the Teen Years-FREE 6 WK COURSE IN HITCHIN Tickets, Thu 7 Nov 2024 at 10:00			
Understanding ADHD and Auti Eventbrite	sm in Girls - FREE ONLINE 6 WEEK COURSE Tickets, Tue 5 Nov 2024 at 10:00	ADHD/Autism – Girls – 6 week course		
	sm - FREE ONLINE DAYTIME 6 WEEK COURSE FOR DADS Tickets, Wed 6 Nov 2024 at	Understanding ADHD/Autism		
Understanding ADHD and Auti 19:00 Eventbrite	For Dads – understanding ADHD/Autism			
SLEEP ONLINE SUPPORT GROU	Sleep Support Group			
Understanding Anxiety - FREE	Understanding Anxiety			
PDA ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP	PDA Support Group			
Tips & Tools to Manage Anxiet	Tips & Tools to Manage Anxiety - FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP Tickets, Wed 13 Nov 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite			



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<u>Autism</u> Hertfordshire			
Understanding My Autistic Identity	6-week course – FREE This course is a resourceful insight to exploring your Autistic Ide negative narratives and barriers that Autistic people face. Look understanding who you are. Tuesdays from 22 October 11am to 2pm Register interest: enquiries@autismherts.org / 01727 743246		
Evening Groups	Evening social groups for adults 18+. In St Albans and Stevenage. Wednesdays, every 2 weeks – contact 01727 743246 orenquiries@autismherts.org for details		
Daytime Groups	Community based sessions where attendees can take advantage of regular walks or lunches in local cases with their peer group. Supported by two staff members, across Herts. contact 01727 743246 orenquiries@autismherts.org for details		
<u>Autism</u> Central	Autism Central aims to make it easier to learn more about autis	sm and services available to you.	
Resources	Designed to make it easier, signposts to information on wide range of topics around autism and support that is available from Autism Central, their partner organisations and other trusted sources.	<u>One</u> -to-one	Talk to your hub for a one-to- one chat to help find the information and services available in your area.
<u>Events</u>	Talk to people who share similar experiences by joining a workshop, coffee morning or virtual meet up.	Christmas Autism Central	Resources and information



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Tuesdays – Zoom	Wednesdays – Letchworth	Thursdays – Stevenage	Thursdays – Zoom
10am to 12pm	10am to 12pm	10am to 12pm	7:30pm to 8:30pm
	The Pod, Northfields Infants	The Phoenix Group	
	7 Nov – Meet Up & Chat		
12 Nov – Parent/Carers Support Group		14 Nov – Meet Up and Chat	
19 Nov – Workshop Rejection Sensitive			21 Nov Evening Parent/Carer Support
Dysphoria delivered by Nice to Meet Ya			Group
26 Nov – Parent/Carer Support Group			
3 Dec – Workshop Masking in School		5 Dec – Meet Up and Chat	
10 Dec – Parent/Carer Support Group			12 Dec Evening Parent/Carer Support Group
17 Dec – Workshop Supporting your ADHD Child			
Podcasts: <u>Podcasts - Angels Support Gr</u>	<u>oup</u>	Support Groups and workshops, Meet (up and Chat
		www.angelssuupportgroup.org.uk / A	ngels Autumn Term Programme
		(angelssupportgroup.org.uk) (angels	supportgroup.org.uk)



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Supporting Links		A local Social Enterp	orise, providing parenting support through courses, w n.	vorkshops and 1:1 mentoring of
diagnosed or suspected A	umber of single session workshops for parents of SD and or ADHD. These are funded by Herts Cou or go to school in Herts to attend.		Use the Course ID (See below) to book your place Booking Essential: bookings@supportinglinks.co.uk See website for flyers and links: New What's On (supportinglinks.co.uk	
TALKING ASD & ADHD The Teenage Years	Talking ASD & ADHD: The Teenage Years (6 19:30 Eventbrite	90) For parents/ca	rers in Herts. Registration, Mon 25 Nov 2024 at	The Teenage Years
TALKING ASD & ADHD Responding to Anger	Talking ASD & ADHD: Responding to Anger 19:30 Eventbrite	(688) For parents/c	carers in Herts. Registration, Mon 4 Nov 2024 at	Responding to Anger
TALKING ASD & ADHD Tech Use	Talking ASD & ADHD: Tech Use(689) For pa Eventbrite	rents/carers in Her	ts. Registration, Thu 21 Nov 2024 at 09:30	Tech Use
TALKING ASD & ADHD School Avoidance	Talking ASD & ADHD: School Avoidance(68 09:30 Eventbrite	7) For parents/care	ers in Herts. Registration, Wed 23 Oct 2024 at	School Avoidance
Talking Anxiety in Families 6 Weekly Sessions for parents/carers of under 12's	Tuesdays 9:45am to 11:30m 5 November to 10 December ONLINE COURSE I	Wedr	ADDED nesdays 7:45pm to 9:30pm to 12 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 705	Talking Anxiety in Families
Talking Teens 6 Weekly Sessions for parents/carers of children aged 12-19	Wednesdays 7:45pm to 9:15pm 5 November to 10 December ONLINE COURSE I Wednesdays 7:45pm to 9:15pm 6 November to 11 December ONLINE COURSE I	26 Feb D 684 Oaklea Tuesd a	IDDED esdays 7pm to 9pm to 2 April Face to Face Course ID 707 of Primary School, Hemel Hempstead eys 7:45pm to 9:15pm o 11 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 708	Talking Teens
Talking Dads/Male Carers 6 Weekly sessions for Dads/Male Carers of all ages	Wednesdays 7:45pm to 9:15pm 6 Nov to 11 Dec ONLINE COURSE ID 686	6 Jan t Thursd 27 Feb Wedn e	DDED ays 7:45pm to 9:15pm (ages 0-19) o 10 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 710 lays 7:45pm to 9:15pm (ages 0-11) to 3 Apr ONLINE COURSE ID 711 esdays 7:45pm to 9:15pm (ages 12-19) to 2 Mar ONLINE COURSE ID 712	Talking Dads/Male Carers
	s and carers of children 12-19		ADDED ays 7:45pm to 9:30pm	



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		24 Feb to 31 Mar ONLINE COURSE ID 706	
Talking Additional Needs (no diagnosis needed) A 6-week group for parents and carers of children with any additional need from 2-25.	6 November to 11 December Venue TBC St Alba Course ID 676	Tuesdays 9:45am to 11:15am (ages 2-19) 25 Feb to 1 Apr ONLINE COURSE ID 701 Wednesdays 7:45pm to 9:15pm (AGES 12-19) 8 Jan to 12 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 709	Talking Additional Needs
Talking Families 6 weekly sessions for parents and carers of children aged 0-12	uesdays 7pm to 9pm November to 10 December NOW ONLINE COUD 679	JUST ADDED RSE Tuesdays 9:45am to 11:15am 7 Jan to 11 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 703 Tuesdays 8pm to 9:30pm 7 Jan to 11 Feb ONLINE COURSE ID 704 Tuesdays 8pm to 9:30pm 25 Feb to 1 Apr ONLINE COURSE ID 702	Talking Families
<u>Families</u> in Focus	support to parents.	ompany, which provides training, information	and therapeutic and emotional
Email to book: bookings@familie Transforming family life throug strong family connections	gh empathy - helping families to build	Transforming family life through empathy for Parents More dates coming soon in March 2025	s of children with SEND 4-10 years
A proven therapeutic approach for parents of children aged 3 to 11 yrs, to increase positive family communication to manage behaviours that challenge, reducing behaviours that challenge and building your family's emotional wellbeing 3 x 2 hour sessions Email to book: bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk		Transforming family life through empathy for Fathers of children aged 4-10 years Wednesday evenings November 27, December 4, 11 SPACES AVAILABLE	
		Transforming family life through empathy for Grandp Monday mornings 9:30am to 11:30am November 11	
Handling anger of children with Autism & ADHD FREE 6 week course Increase understanding of how Autism and ADHD affects emotional regulation Increase awareness of a child's sensory needs Increase your understanding of triggers that cause children's angry outbursts		 NEW DATES ADDED Monday mornings 9.30-11.30am ONLINE VIA ZOOM 6 sessions Bookings open January 6th 13th 20th 27th February 3rd 10th Monday lunchtimes 12.15 -2.15pm ONLINE VIA ZOOM 6 session course Book now 	Handing anger of children with Autism & ADHD Current SEND courses – Families in Focus



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Learn healthy anger management strategies for children and parents to reduce angry reactions	 January 6th 13th 20th 27th February 3rd 10th Monday evenings 6.30-8.30pm ONLINE VIA ZOOM 6 Session course Book now January 6th 13th 20th 27th February 3rd 10th 	
A complete guide to parenting children with Autism & ADHD FREE 10 week course for parents living in Hertfordshire and parenting a child with Autism or ADHD (with diagnosis or awaiting assessment) aged 2 to 11. 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.	NEW DATES ADDED Tuesday mornings 9:30am to 11:30am 7, 14, 21, 28 January 4, 11, 28 February, 4, 11 March Tuesday evening 6:30pm to 8:30pm 7, 14, 21, 28 January 4, 11, 28 February 4, 11 March	A Complete Guide to parenting children with Autism and ADHD Current SEND courses – Families in Focus
Handling anger of primary aged children with Autism or ADHD FREE six-week course is funded by Hertfordshire County Council and FREE for parents of primary-aged children with ADHD and/or Autism living in Hertfordshire. Online, interactive course for parents provides practical support to understand why children with Autism or ADHD react with anger and provides proven techniques to reduce angry meltdowns and increase emotional regulation for the whole family.	Tuesday mornings 9:30am to 11:30am November 5, 12, 19, 26 & December 3, 10 Tuesday evenings 6:30pm to 8:30pm November 5, 12, 19, 26 & December 3, 10	Handling anger Primary aged children (Autism/ADHD)
Handling anger in your family (No SEND) Online, interactive course will transform family life and includes: Increase understanding of the triggers leading to children's & parents' anger Techniques to increase children's emotional regulation and decrease angry meltdowns Strategies to support children to understand and 'let go' of their emotions safely Tried and tested techniques to reduce stress and conflict Support parents to share experiences and knowledge	Monday Evenings 6:30pm to 8:30pm November 4, 11, 18, 25 & December 2, 9 NEW DATES ADDED Wednesdays 9:30am to 11:30am, 8, 15, 22, 29 Jan & 5,12 Feb	Handling anger in your family



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Family Lives



Positive Co-Parenting of Neurodiverse Children - 8 Week online facilitated group

This programme is designed specifically 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.

Who should 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 co-parenting their neurodiverse child.
- Parents seeking guidance, support, and practical strategies to navigate the unique challenges of raising a neurodiverse child.

For more information or make a referral, scan the QR code, email services@familylives.org.uk or call 0204 522 8700 or 0204 522 8699.

These 2 courses will be delivered via MS Teams, over 8 sessions:

Tuesday 1, 8, 15, 22 October & 5, 12, 19, 26 November 7pm to 9pm

Thursday 3, 10, 17, 24 October & 7, 14, 21, 28 November 9:30am to 11:30am

Herts Mind Network

Staying Calm Course

Our Staying Calm course is not a therapy group. The course is psychoeducational and aims to give participants practical tips to better manage their emotions. This practical and reflective course enables participants to learn positive communication styles and ways to remain calm when difficult emotions arise.

- Understand what difficult emotions are and why they occur Identify and challenge unhelpful thinking
- Understand how our thinking impacts on mood and behaviour
- Effectively use a number of strategies/techniques for manager difficult emotions

26 November & 3 December 2 x Tuesdays 2pm to 4pm online Staying Calm Course - Mind in Mid Herts

Sleeping Well

This workshop will provide participants with a good understanding of sleep and explore strategies to improve it. This workshop will be delivered online and in our centres by experienced Mind in Mid Herts Trainers.

- Understand the science of sleep, sleep cycles, the psychological and physiological benefits of sleep.
- Have learn and developed strategies to improve their sleep

12 December 5pm to 8pm

Feeling Well

This four week course enables participants to gain an understanding of depression; its causes and symptoms and develop a range of strategies to effectively manage their mood.

- Understand depression, and recognise the symptoms of depression
- Recognise their own unhealthy cycle of depression Be able to identify and challenge their own unhelpful thinking patterns
- Effectively use of a number of strategies to manage mood
- Complete their own staying well recovery plan

Sleeping Well - Mind in Mid Herts

13 November – 20 November 2 x Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm Online Courses Feeling Well - Mind in Mid Herts



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Practitioners	ICT Children's Wellbeing P Ipcoming courses: Emotio leep Workshop, Developii	g and Regulation, Emotional Wellbeing Workshop, note they book up quickly	
		ners Service Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust (hct.nhs.uk) Prefor parents / carers and young people and links to the guidance docs.	School Avoidance
Children's Wellbeing Practit October-Decembe Workshops are open to all young people & parents/carers of school or are registered with a GP in Hertfordshire. A referral All workshops are currently being delivered online via Micros each workshop covers and to book a place onto a workshop,	children and young people who attend a is not needed to access a workshop.	Child General Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation Tips for Parents Tickets, Mon 11 Nov 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite Child General Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation Tips for Parents Tickets, Tue 17 Dec 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation
Eventbrite page: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hct-childre			Emotional Wellbeing
Workshop Emotional Wellbeing (For Young People 11-16) A workshop focused on adolescents managing their emotion wellbeing and things parents/carers can do to help.	Thursday 21st November 6-8pm	Tickets, Thu 21 Nov 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	
Adolescent Self-Esteem and Resilience A workshop focused on adolescents improving their self-es and resilience and what parents/carers can do to help.			
Supporting your Child's Self-Esteem and Resilience A workshop focused on parents/carers supporting their chi improve their self-esteem and resilience.	Monday 28 th October 6-8pm Wednesday 11 th December 10-12pm	Adolescent Self-esteem and Resilience Workshop Tickets, Thu 28 Nov 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	Adolescent Self-esteem & Resilience
Supporting with Sleep Difficulties This workshop focuses on supporting children and adolesc with managing their sleep difficulties and things parents/ca can do to help.			
Developing your Child's Emotional Literacy A workshop focused on parents supporting their child wideveloping emotional literacy.	Tuesday 1 st October 10-12pm Monday 4 th November 6-8pm Thursday 12 th December 10-12pm	Supporting your Child's Self-esteem and Resilience Workshop Tickets, Wed 11 Dec 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Child's Self-esteem and Resilience
General Emotional Wellbeing and Regulation Tips for Par A workshop focused on parents supporting their child's ger emotional wellbeing and ability to emotionally regulate	neral Monday 11 th November 10-12pm	Sleep Workshop (Child and Adolescent) Tickets, Mon 2 Dec 2024 at 18:00 Eventbrite	Sleep Workshop
To access the recorded Emotionally Based Schoo https://www.hct.nhs.uk/service-details/service/ch		Developing Your Child's Emotional Literacy Tickets, Thu 12 Dec 2024 at 10:00 Eventbrite	Child's Emotional Literacy



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NHS Hertfordshire Talking Therapies		Primary Care Mental Health Update
		Referral HPFT IAPT Services (hpft- talkingtherapies.nhs.uk)
	esteem because of difficulties in different areas of their life. These difficulties may arise because of the	Understanding ADHD and low self- esteem HPFT IAPT Services (hpft- talkingtherapies.nhs.uk)

October 2024

Primary Care Mental Health update Hertfordshire Talking Therapies





On Monday we launched our new campaign "Talk for Your Health: Emotional Support for Long Term Conditions (LTC)". The campaign will run until Friday 29th November. People who have LTC's are more likely to experience anxiety and low mood, and these emotional difficulties can make the physical symptoms of their LTC worse. Our campaign aims to encourage individuals struggling with stress, low mood, or anxiety related to their LTC to eek help through NHS Talking Therapies services. By participating in this campaign, you can play a pivotal role in improving the wellbeing of those living with long term conditions i our community. Thank you for your continued support and dedication. For more informatio about the campaign, available resources, and how to get involved, please visit; www.hpftlkingtherapies.nhs.uk/talk-for-your-healtl

People living with a long term physical health condition such as diabetes, chronic pair COPD, or chronic heart disease may face various challenges across many areas of their life. For many people their LTC will have an impact on their mental health. Our clinicians have received specialist training to deliver evidence-based interventions for people with comorbid long term physical health conditions. Our website hosts a variety of self-help esources including short informative animation videos and NHS expert-led webinars,



How can you support the Talk for Your Health campaig As an organisation working with and supporting people within the local community, you play a crucial role in supporting individuals with various health needs and are uniquely positioned to identify people with a long term condition who may benefit from additional nental health support. If you notice signs of distress or if someone is expressing feelings of anxiety or sadness, consider discussing the benefits of talking therapies with them. You can display our campaign resources within your practice or clinic, help spread the word by providing your clients with information about the campaign and guide them to our website and online self-referral portal. Signposting patients directly to support can make a significant difference in their journey towards better mental health. Click here

Webinars for people living with a Long Term Condition Our programme of NHS expert-led webinars are designed to help individuals manage common mental health problems. Among our offering, we have specific webinars aimed at supporting those living with long term conditions.

Diabetes and emotional wellbeing: This webinar is presented by Cognitive Behavioural Therapists, trained in long term physical health conditions, and guest presenters, including Diabetes specialists and experts by experience, to support anyone living with Diabetes of who knows someone living with Diabetes. Click here to book

Living Well with a Long-term Physical Health Condition: This webinar is an introduction to what it means to live with a long-term physical health condition and the ways in which it may take a toll on mental health. This webinar is for anyone who has a long term physical health condition. Click here to book

Living well with persistent pain: This webinar introduces the relationship between physical and mental health and provides self-help tools that can help with pain management and emotional wellbeing. Click here to book.

Long Covid: Moving Forward: This webinar introduces the physical and emotional fficulties people may experience as a result of living with Long Covid. Click here to boo







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Talk for Your Health Campaign #TalkHealth2024

Support for LTC – Long Term Conditions. Talk for Your Health: Emotional Support for Long Term Conditions (LTC) | HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-talkingtherapies.nhs.uk)

Support for Long Term Conditions

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Webinars

Diabetes and emotional wellbeing: Diabetes and Emotional Wellbeing | HPFT IAPT Services (hpft-talkingtherapies.nhs.uk)

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Long Covid: Moving Forward: Long COVID: Moving forwards | HPFT IAPT Services (hpfttalkingtherapies.nhs.uk)



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CARERS IN HERTS	CARERS IN HERTS		
Carers In Herts	Carers In Herts Evening Phone Appointments available		
Evening Phone Support		5:30pm to 7:30pm on Wednesdays	
		Book now: contact@carersinherts.org.uk / 01992 58 69 69	
Young Carers		See link for contact and links	
MENTAL HEALTH FIRS	ST AID		
Youth Mental Health First Aid Training	2 day first aider course suitable for everyone who teaches, works, lives with or cares for 8 to 18 year olds. Fully funded. 9:30am to 4pm Youth MHFA, Facts and Figures, Depression and Anxiety, Suicide and Psychosis, Self-harm and Eating Disorders For further information contact hweicbhv.schoolsmh@nhs.net		
1 Day Champion Course	Mental Health First Aid Training – 1 Day Champion Course FREE For Parents and Carers of 8 to 18 Year Olds 9:30am to 4pm What is mental health, health and mental ill health, stigma and discrimination, depression and suicide. Mental health conditions: anxiety, self harm, eating disorders, psychosis, recovery, resilience. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) 1 day course for Parents & Carers Tickets, Multiple Dates Eventbrite		
NESSie	Support the positive mental health of children and young people 0-25 years. 1-1 and group therapies for children and young people and webinars and support to parents and carers.		
NESSie is funded by HCC to support parents/carers of children and young people with emotional and mental health issues. The aim of this work is to help parents/carers develop a positive and more confident approach to supporting their young person, whilst offering a chance to gain peer support; useful strategies and practical tools.		is work is to roach to Parent Support Line 07932 651319 (Wednesdays 9am to 12pm or by appointment)	



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<u>NESSie</u>		ntal health of children and young people 0-25 years. 1-1 and group therapies for children and ars and support to parents and carers.			
Parent/Carer Live Webinar –	Bullying Thursday, 5 December 9:30am to 11:30am Nessie Public Booking Platform V3.0 (procfu.com)	The aim of this early intervention webinar is to share helpful tools and strategies to confidence and resilience in order to manage dealing with bullying. This webinar families about managing, signposting and supporting with appropriate intervention carers a chance to ask open questions in a warm and supportive environment with	will provide information for one. It will also offer parents and		
	Anxiety Thursday, 7 November 9:30am to 11:30am https://procfu.com/nespubbooking/eventDetail-home/2830715156	The aim of this early intervention webinar is to share helpful tools and strategies to confidence and resilience in order to manage their anxiety. Provide information for signposting and supporting with appropriate interventions. It will also offer parent open questions in a warm and supportive environment and meet some of the NES	or families about managing, nts and carers a chance to ask		
	Bereavement/Loss Monday, 11 November 11:30am to 1:30pm Nessie Public Booking Platform V3.0 (procfu.com)	This interactive live online webinar is delivered by NESSie team members and aim develop their confidence in supporting their child with bereavement and loss. Exp child/ren to discuss aspects of bereavement and loss, including divorce and separa and identify effective support and management for the whole family and the oppowerm and supportive environment.	plore strategies to support their ation. Provide a space to look at		
	When Children and Young People Struggle to Attend School Wednesday, 20 November 7pm to 9pm Nessie Public Booking Platform V3.0 (procfu.com)	The aim of this early intervention webinar is to share helpful tools and strategies to your child overwhelmed and unable to attend school can be distressing for any pallost and alone. This webinar will provide information for families about managing with appropriate interventions. It will also offer parents and carers a chance to asteam in a warm and supportive environment.	arent/carer and it is easy to feel g, signposting and supporting		
Webinar Playback	Supporting a Child Struggling to Attend School	Nessie Public Booking Platform V3.0 (procfu.com)			
'My World & Me' TM is a 12-week group programme for children and young people aged 7-16 years who live in Hertfordshire. This group is run by two NESSie Autism/LD specialists and aims to support your child/young person to have an opportunity to meet other young people of similar age and experiences. Focusing on celebrating your child's strengths, this group aims to be fun whilst supporting confidence, independence, and resilience. NESSie is proud to be neurodiverse affirmative with the majority of our team having lived experience. Please note that spaces are limited to 8 participants per group. Upon receiving your booking information you will be contacted by a member of our team for a chat. If your requested group is at capacity or a need for alternative support is identified, you will be offered an alternative group or signposted to alternative support. Completing the booking does not guarantee a space on the chosen group.					
Booking		This workshop is during school hours – children are welcome to join online from school or home. Please contact info@nessieined.com for more information. The joining link will be send ahead of the first session.	Tuesdays, 10 September to 3 December 11:15am to 12:15pm		



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Understanding My Autism: for school years 3-5 (online)	This workshop is during school hours – children are welcome to join online from	Friday, 13 September to 6
Booking	school or home. Please contact info@nessieined.com for more information.	December 2:15pm to 3:15pm
	The joining link will be send ahead of the first session.	
Understanding My Autism: Supporting Transitions for	Tuesdays, 10 September to 3 December 4pm to 5pm	
School Years 5-6 (in person, Puckeridge) Booking		
Understanding My Autism: for school years 4-6 (online)	This workshop is during school hours – children are welcome to join online from	Wednesday 11 September to 4
Booking	school or home. Please contact info@nessieined.com for more information.	December 11:15pm to 12:15pm
	The joining link will be sent ahead of the first session.	
Understanding My Autism / ADHD for Girls, School Years 10	Wednesday 11 September to 4 December 4pm to 5pm	•
- 11 (in person, Stevenage) Booking		
Understanding My Autism/ADHD: for Girls, School Years 10	Wednesday 11 September to 4 December 4:30pm to 5:30pm	
– 11 (in person, Hitchin) Booking		
Understanding My Autism/ADHD: for School Years 7 – 9	Thursdays 12 September to 5 December 4:30pm to 5:39pm	
(online) Booking		
Understanding My Autism/ADHD: Boxing for School Years 7-	Thursdays 12 September to 5 December 4:15pm to 5:15pm	
9 (in person, Watford) <u>Booking</u>		
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EARLY YEARS — SEND GROUPS

NORTH HERTS FAMILY CENTRE	Toddler Group: Arise and Shine Letchworth Garden City Church, The Icknield Centre, Icknield Way, Letchworth, SG6 1EF Tuesdays from 10.00am to 11.15am (term time)
SEND Drop In - Free Drop In What's On North Herts	Broadwater Family Centre, Longmeadow Primary School, Oaks Cross, Stevenage SG2 8LT Thursdays 10am to 11:15 (all year)
District Summer 2024 (mailchi.mp)	Royston & Villages Family Centre, Roman Way First School, Burns Road, Royston SG8 5EQ Fridays 9:30am to 10:45am from 24 October.
SENsational Active Tots with Stevenage FC (ages 1-5)	Looking for somewhere to run off a bit of steam? The Family Centre Service alongside Stevenage FC are running new SENsational Active Tots Sessions for 1-5 year olds. These sessions are all about bringing physical activity to life through various sports and challenges. Taking place at Fairlands Valley Park in Stevenage and FREE for the first 8 weeks (£3.50 thereafter). Wednesdays 10am to 10:45am, joinin.online





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MONDAY

Powerpoint

Starts 4th Nov.

2.5 hours | FREE

Online 4th Nov.

10am-12.30pm

Introduction to

5 weeks | £25 | Online

Team Leading

Starts 4th Nov.

Paper crafting

Celebrations

5 weeks | £25 |

Starts 4th Nov.

Intermediates

Bishop's Stortford

5 weeks | £25 |

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2.5 hours | FREE

10am-12.30pm

5 weeks | £25 | Online

12.45-2.45pm

Sewing for

6-8pm

Macrame

9.45-11.45am

Crochet for

Bishop's Stortford

1-3pm

10am-12pm

Improving Skills in

5 weeks | £25 | Online

Personal Budgeting

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Numeracy for ESOL

2.5 hours | FREE |

Watford | 11th Nov.

Numeracy for ESOL

2.5 hours | FREE |

Online | 25th Nov.

TUESDAY

5 weeks | £25 | Online

Learners

1-3.30pm

Learners

9-11.30am

Crochet for

Intermediates

Starts 5th Nov.

9.45-11.45am

Paper crafting

Starts 5th Nov.

2.5 hours | FREE

10am-12.30pm

2.5 hours | FREE

Online | 5th Nov.

10am-12.30pm

3 hours | FREE

Excluder

12th Nov.

12-3pm

Sewing a Draught

Hemel Hempstead

Hatfield | 5th Nov.

First steps to Excel

12.45-2.45pm

Macrame

Family & Friends

5 weeks | £25 | Online



Protecting Children Online

Online | 2 weeks



Learning in the community for Hertfordshire residents aged 19+

This workshop will introduce you to how to protect yourself and your children from potential threats online. Using the internet can be exciting for children and young people, but do you know how to protect a child/young person from inappropriate content and contact? Find out how to help a child stay safe by attending this workshop, Discover why a healthy relationship with technology is so important, and how you and your child can become more aware of online usage. Discover different tools you can use to help you monitor, develop and maintain healthy tech habits.

Details

Starts: Friday 8th November

Duration: 2 weeks Time: 10am-12pm

Fee: £10 Venue: Online (Live

Streamed)





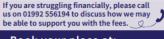
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Social media: @step2skills





If you are struggling financially please call us on 01992 556 194 to discuss how we may be able to support you with the fees.



step2skills.org.uk/courses



THURSDAY Sewing for Intermediates 5 weeks | £25 | Stevenage | Starts 7th

WEDNESDA' Crochet for Intermediates weeks | £25 | Stevenage | Starts 7th Stevenage | Starts 6th Nov. | 12.45-2.45pm

Nov. | 9.45-11.45am

Nov. | 10am-2.30pm

Nov. | 10am-12pm Public Speaking & Improving your Presentation Skills **Skills in Word** 4.5 hours | £10 🚇 5 weeks | £25 | Online | 7th or 21st Stevenage | Starts 6th

Learn something new in November

Crafting in Clay

Hatfield | 19th Nov.

10.30am-1.30pm

Improving your

Skills in Excel

Online | 6th Nov.

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Online

Face to Face

Accredited

5 weeks | £25 |

3 hours | FREE

Nov. | 1-3pm Fabric Flowers **Boost your** 5 weeks | £25 Confidence Waltham Cross | Starts 2 hours | £5 | 7th Nov. | 1.15-3.15pm Online | 6th Nov.

9.45-11.45am AI in the Workplace 4.5 hours | £10 🚇 **Revision Strategies** Online | 7th or 28th & Exam Techniques Nov. |10am-2.30pm 2.5 hours | FREE 🙎

How to write a 9.30am-12pm **Business Plan** 2 hours | £5 Introduction to Borehamwood | 14th **Mental Health** Nov. | 9.30-11.30am & Wellbeing

Boost your 5 weeks | £25 | Online Confidence Starts 13th Nov. 2 hours | £5 9.45-11.45am Online | 14th Nov. | 12.45-2.45pm

Boost your Confidence 2 hours | £5 Borehamwood | 28th Nov. | 9.30-11.30am

CV Writing & **Cover Letters** 2 hours | £5 Online | 28th Nov. 12.45-2.45pm

FRIDAY

Protecting **Children Online** 2 weeks | £10 | Online Starts 8th Nov. 10am-12pm

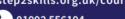
Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in 10 weeks | £25 Online | Starts 15th

Nov. | 9.30am-12pm CV Writing & **Cover Letters** 2 hours | £5

Online | 22nd Nov. 10am-12pm Interview Skills 2 hours | £5 Online | 29th Nov.

10am-12pm Step2Skills Inclusive Job Fai Hemel 27th Nov. Hempstead 10am-3pm

Book your place at:















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