

Special educational needs and disability (SEND)

Changing for the better September 2014

The special needs reforms will introduce a new approach that seeks to join up support across education, health and care from birth to 25. Help will be offered at the earliest opportunity for children and young people with SEND and their parents or carers so that they can be fully involved in decisions about their support and what they wish to achieve.

Key changes from September 2014

- Local authorities and clinical commissioning groups will work together to **commission services jointly** to secure better services for 0 to 25 year olds.
- Together, they will produce a **local offer** of services, developed with parents and young people.
- A **co-ordinated assessment process**, across education, health and care, and involving children and young people and their families throughout.
- A new **0 to 25 education, health and care plan** to replace the current system of statements and learning difficulty assessments.
- A **phased transition** for those already with statements and learning difficulty assessments, taking place over time.



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