

Our Voice Presents: Get to know Health and Therapies: Wednesday 13th March 2024

Booking is now open for 'Our Voice Presents: Get to Know Health and Therapies' on **Wednesday 13th March 24 from 10 am to 12.30 pm** (registration from 9.30 am) at the [Park Avenue Disability Resource Centre](#), 65c Park Avenue, Bush Hill Park, Enfield, EN1 2HL.

Following the success of our annual 'Meet the SEND Heads Parents' Conference' which has now been running for seven years, this event will be the third in our planned series of mini-conferences which focus on specific areas within the Local Authority and Health, and will give parents an exceptional opportunity to hear directly from the Heads of each area, and other key professionals.

On the 13th March, we will be joined by a panel of Heads of Services from across Health and Therapies who will answer your questions. The panel will include the Designated Clinical Officer, Speech and Language Therapy, Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service), Transition to Adult Mental Health and Paediatrics

Places are limited and must be pre-booked. Please book via Eventbrite at <https://OVGettoknowHealth.eventbrite.co.uk>

The agenda (see next page for details)

9.30 – 10 am	Arrival and registration
10 – 11.15 am	Q&A panel session For general questions (not specific individual questions)
11.15 – 11.30 am	Coffee break
11 am – 12.30 pm	Either: Building a connection with your child (intensive interaction) workshop
	OR: What you need to know about the GP Disability Register and Annual Health Checks
	OR: 1:1 appointment to discuss specific individual questions relating you your child/young person (subject to availability)

Agenda

10 am to 11.15 am Q&A session with the Heads of Health



Key professionals from the different health services will answer your questions, including those pre-submitted as part of your booking.

The panel will include representatives from the Designated Clinical Officer, Speech and Language Therapy, Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service), Transition to Adult Mental Health and Paediatrics

Please note that this session is for broad general questions and not for detailed discussion of your child/young person's individual issues.



11 am – 11.15 am Coffee break

11.15 am to 12.30 pm Choice of two different workshops and 1:1 sessions

Either: Building a connection with your child (intensive interaction)



In this workshop, we will look at 'Intensive Interaction' a fun and effective way of supporting communication with your child, which follows your child's lead and gives you time to tune-in to your child. This evidence-based approach is suitable for all, whether or not your child uses speech and whatever their age. Join the workshop to find out more and learn techniques you can use with your child.

The workshop will be led by Sally Mordi, who is a Speech and Language Therapist, clinical lead for Autism and author of '*Working with Autistic Children and Young People: a Practical Guide for Speech and Language Therapists*', jointly with Seema Islam, Chair of Our Voice, who has used intensive interaction with her child.

OR: What you need to know about the GP Learning Disability Register & Annual Health Checks



This session is aimed at parents/carers of SEND children and young people who have or may have a learning disability. We'll explain how to get more focused support from your GP for your child and the importance of the GP Learning Disability Register.

We'll also explain the difference between a learning disability and a learning difficulty and why this is important from a healthcare perspective. Note this session is only useful to you if your child/young person has a learning disability or suspected learning disability.

One-to-One appointments:



At the same time, we will be offering the opportunity for parents to request **One-to-one sessions** - 15-minute individual discussions with one of the team leaders from the different services across Health, to discuss specific issues and questions relating to your child. You will be given a list of options when you book, but don't worry if you are not sure who you need to see – if you give us an outline of the issue(s) you want to talk about, we will match you up with the correct person.

Please note that booking is subject to availability as slots are strictly limited and we may not be able to accommodate all requests.

Our Previous events in this series:

If you missed our previous events in this series you can see the presentations and other resources on our website news page:

'Our Voice Presents: Get to Know the Joint Service for Disabled Children, Social Care and Short Breaks' on our news page [here](#).

'Our Voice Presents: Get to Know SEN Services' on our news page [here](#).

If you have any questions, please telephone 07516 662315 or Email: info@ourvoiceenfield.org.uk
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