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### **Special Educational Needs Links and Sources of Support**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been asked by Darlington Local Authority and the NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) to share information that may be of interest of you if you are supporting a child with additional needs. We hope that you may find some of the information here useful or can pass these links and sources of support onto someone to whom they may be of help.

#### **Neurodevelopment Website**

Our webpages hold lots of information regarding neurodevelopment. The Bubble of Support is the offer available to families of children and young people with a neurodevelopmental need. The offer provides information, advice, support, and training to help meet the needs of our children and young people. The services are accessible with or without a diagnosis, however some may require a referral from a professional and may have an eligibility criterion. The webpages also includes a short video on how to navigate the website. Click the following link to access the webpages.

<https://nenc-teesvalley.icb.nhs.uk/our-work/darlington-needs-led-neurodevelopmental-pathway/>

The Family Support Service provided by Daisy Chain is a service for children and young people aged 0-18 years and the families of those affected by neurodevelopment diversity. The service aims to provide support to children, young people and their families who display traits associated with neurodiversity, autism, sensory processing, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD). The following link will take you to the family support service website where you can find further details on the types of support that is available

[Family Support Service - Daisy Chain Project](#)

#### **Tees Valley Sleep Service**

The Tees Valley Sleep Service is co-delivered across the Tees Valley by 0-19 Services and the Family Support Team at Daisy Chain. Using a tiered approach, the service provides telephone support, resources, workshops and one to one sleep assessments as well as offering bespoke sleep support if required. The service can be accessed by families who have children or young people between the ages of 2.5 and 18 years old that have any additional needs There are three different referral routes into the service, a self-referral, a referral from the family support team at Daisy Chain or from the health visiting or school nursing team. The service is provided by Sleep Scotland and is currently running as a pilot that has been co-produced with NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board, our 5 local authorities and our 5 parent carer forums. Please signpost your families to the following link for more information:

<https://teesvalleysleepservice.co.uk>

Kind regards,  
Mrs Lindsay