

## **Wigan School Nursing Service SNS2 2025**

Dear Parent / Guardian

### **Secondary School Offer: 0-19 Service Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – School Nursing**

As your child has moved from Primary School to Secondary School we would like to inform you of our offer to children in Secondary school.

Our School Nurses provide health information, health assessments and a range of public health programmes to children attending primary, secondary, alternative, and special schools in Ashton, Wigan and Leigh and for children educated at home and living in the Borough.

Our neighbourhood-based teams allocate a Named School Nurse for each school.

You can find more information on [Wigan's local offer](#) for parents and carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities here  
<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Education/Special-Educational-Needs-and-Disability/Local-Offer/index.aspx>.

School Nurse duties include the delivery of [The Healthy Child Programme 5-19](#) providing secondary school families access to:

- Advice and support from a qualified nurse on health-related issues
- Qualified nurse contribution to health and safeguarding plans
- Advice on topic areas, such as puberty, mental health and well-being, risk-taking behaviours, smoking, healthy lifestyles and sexual health
- Support with referral and signposting to other services in Health, Local Authority, Voluntary Sector and via Wigan Family Hub app
- Transition support between Primary and Secondary school to assist with the continuity of health care for children with medical conditions.

We offer all high schools a confidential weekly drop-in for pupils where they can access support around any health issues on an individual basis.

Please review the following questions to help support your child's health and wellbeing.

- **Is your child registered with a dentist?**
- **Is your child accessing free eyesight checks?**
- **Is your child registered with a GP?**
- **Have you notified school of your child's medical needs (e.g., Asthma, Allergies etc.)?**
- **Ask school about their 'Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions' policy.**

- Give the school correct and in date medication (inhaler, auto-injector etc) as required.
- Update school of any medication changes for your child. (Children's medication should be reviewed by their GP or Practice Nurse)
- Is your child up to date with immunisations?  
<https://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/vaccinations/>

For more information on any of our services or any health queries you can check out our webpage on [www.wwl.nhs.uk/school-nursing](http://www.wwl.nhs.uk/school-nursing), access the Wigan Family Hub app or call to speak to one of our Nurses on **0300 707 1091** available Monday to Friday 9am-5pm.

This is a duty line and has a secure answer machine where you can leave a message. To help us respond efficiently please leave your name, your contact number and your child's name and school with a summary of your enquiry.

The Wigan Family Hub app provides trusted resources on a wide range of issues. You can download the app here or use the QR codes:

For apple devices <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/essential-parent-gm-family-hub/id6739504014>



For android devices <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=cz.pixelfield.manchester&gl=GB>



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