

Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar:

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities - Education, Care and Health Plans, personal budgets and support post-16

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 4th July 2013

Venue: Banqueting Hall, Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London SE1 9DD

Agenda subject to change



- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Lord Lucas of Crudwell and Dingwall, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Education
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Reforming Special Educational Needs and Disability provision**
Stephen Kingdom, Deputy Director, Special Educational Needs and Disability, Department for Education
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 9.40 **An analysis: the Children and Families Bill 2013**
Professor Geoff Lindsay, Director, CEDAR (Centre for Educational Development, Appraisal and Research), University of Warwick and Specialist Adviser to the Education Select Committee
- 9.40 - 10.30 **Education, Care and Health Plans: identification, integrated care and implementation**
Will ECHPs succeed in ensuring that commissioners in education, health and social care provide integrated care for children with SEND? What lessons for effective integrated assessment have been learned from the Pathfinder trials of ECHPs? What training needs will the reforms present for teachers, local authorities and health professionals? Will the single category replacement for 'School Action' and 'School Action Plus' succeed in reducing what Ofsted and Government have identified as an over-diagnosis of SEN? Following the reforms, what support will be provided to children who do not qualify for an ECHP, such as those with moderate SEN or disabled children without SEN; should disabled children be automatically eligible for an ECHP as recommended by the Education Select Committee? What pressures will ECHP and the extension of support up to 25 put on resources; will there be a limit on the number of ECHPs available?
Debbie Orton, Head of Integrated Services for Learning, Hertfordshire County Council
Christine Terrey, Headteacher, Harbour Primary and Nursery School, East Sussex
David Bateson, Executive Principal, Ash Field Academy, Leicester and Vice Chair, FLSE (Federation of Leaders in Special Education)
Dr Carrie Britton, Co-Chair, National Network of Parent Carer Forums
Mark Lever, Chief Executive, The National Autistic Society
Questions and comments from the floor with **Professor Geoff Lindsay**, Director, CEDAR (Centre for Educational Development, Appraisal and Research), University of Warwick and Specialist Adviser to the Education Select Committee
- 10.30 - 11.20 **Personal Budgets and the 'local offer'**
What level of support and guidance should local authorities be required to provide for parents who opt for a Personal Budget, and what impact might the introduction of Personal Budgets have on local authority SEN support services? How can local authorities ensure that all parents remain equally informed about their 'local offer'? Will parents be able to choose to spend their budget on highly specialised provision that is unavailable in their local or neighbouring authorities? On what criteria will cases be decided if parental demand for particular provision exceeds supply in a local authority? To what extent would regional variation in the quality of SEND provision be mitigated by a national framework, as recommended by the Education Select Committee?
Jon Philpot, Principal Manager (Specialist & Disability Services), Children's Services, West Sussex County Council
Lara Roberts, Member, West Sussex Parent Carer Forum
Jonathan Newport, Director of Learning and Development, Capita Education Resourcing
Jane McConnell, Chief Executive, IPSEA (Independent Parental Special Education Advice)
Dr Alison Austin, Lead, Personalisation and Control, NHS England
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 - 11.25 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Lord Lucas of Crudwell and Dingwall, Member, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Education
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Lord Ramsbotham, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Speech and Language Difficulties
- 11.55 - 12.05 **Special Educational Needs and Disability provision in post-16 educational settings**
Stephen McShane HMI, National Lead for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, Ofsted
- 12.05 - 12.55 **Developing post-16 support**
What will the extension of support to age 25 mean for local authorities, health professionals, colleges and universities? How have the new Supported Internships for young people between 16-24 been received by the colleges delivering the programmes and the individuals and employers involved; what lessons can be learned for their wider roll-out? What steps can be taken to ensure continuity of support if a young person with SEND moves to another local authority to continue their education? What support, if any, should be provided to help young people with SEND who are NEET and when they enter into apprenticeships or employment?
Professor Sonia Blandford, Professor of Educational Leadership and Innovation, University of Warwick and Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Achievement for All
Alison Boulton, Chief Executive, Natspec (Association of National Specialist Colleges)
Dr Nicola Martin, Head of Disability and Well-being Service, London School of Economics and Political Science
Jean Wilson, Managing Director, Axcis Education
Rob Greig, Chief Executive, National Development Team for Inclusion
Questions and comments from the floor with **Stephen McShane HMI**, National Lead for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, Ofsted
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Education Forum closing remarks**
Lord Ramsbotham, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Speech and Language Difficulties
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Education Forum

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