HOW WE CAN HELP FAMILIES AND PROFESSIONALS WHO SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

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We are Contact, the charity for families with disabled children. We understand that life with a disabled child brings unique challenges, and we exist to help families feel valued, supported, confident and informed.

INFORMATION & ADVICE

Contact provides lifechanging advice and information about any aspect of raising a child with additional needs through our <u>website</u>, <u>helpline</u>, <u>newsletters</u> and <u>free publications</u>, including our 100-page <u>Helpful Guide</u>.



LISTENING EAR SERVICE

We offer <u>free 1-2-1</u> <u>telephone appointments</u> with a family support adviser for parent carers looking for emotional and practical support or reassurance.



PEER SUPPORT

Our <u>private Facebook</u> group is a confidential space where parent carers can share knowledge, provide mutual support, and meet other families with similar needs.



WORKSHOPS, WEBINARS & EVENTS

Alongside our <u>workshops</u> and events for parent <u>carers</u>, we also offer a range of CPD <u>training for</u> professionals as well as deliver <u>bespoke sessions</u> for the families they support.



CAMPAIGNS & RESEARCH

We work together with parent carers to <u>influence</u> <u>policy and campaign</u> so that decision-makers tackle the inequalities faced by families with disabled children.



FLEDGLINGS SHOP

Our not-for-profit **Fledglings shop** supplies specialist products, aids and equipment to help families and professionals who care for disabled children or young people with everyday challenges.



PARENT CARER PARTICIPATION

As the Department for Education's strategic delivery partner since 2008, we support <u>parent</u> <u>carer participation</u>

in England by helping families and professionals work together locally to improve services for disabled children.

SUPPORT FOR PROFESSIONALS & ORGANISATIONS

From <u>CPD workshops</u> and webinars through to expert consultancy and co-production training, Contact can provide a wide variety of existing and bespoke services to support professionals in their work with disabled children and their carers.

With nearly 50 years' experience in supporting families and a vast network of specialist consultants, we are also well-placed to help organisations develop tailored solutions based on the unique needs of their workforce or setting.

"Contact speak our language and provide practical support that is truly lifechanging" **Parent carer**



GET IN TOUCH

To find out more about our services for professionals, scan the QR code or contact our team so we can better



understand what support you're looking for and how we can help.

0207 608 8795

- ⊗ services∂contact.org.uk
- (b) contact.org.uk/professionals



We're here to help families with the best possible advice and information.

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HELPFUL GUIDE

Our *Helpful Guide* is a 100-page booklet packed with essential information and advice to help families navigate everyday challenges and access support for their child with additional needs or disabilities.

Professionals can order a reference copy for free, or get a quote to purchase multiple copies, at contact.org.uk/ helpful-guide-order