

School Nursing Service

Overview

We are here to help promote the physical, mental, social and emotional health of children, young people of school age and their families by offering health and wellbeing clinics across the county. All children and young people in Northamptonshire will have an allocated school nurse team led by a specialist school nurse.

Who we are

Our team has specialist school nurses who are qualified nurses with additional specialist training. We also work collaboratively with other agencies to provide the best possible care for children, young people and families.

What we do

You can access our school nursing clinics at a time and location that best meets your needs.

- When a child enters school or moves to the area, the local school nursing teams are informed via liaison with their health visiting colleagues or transfer area. Contact with the child and family takes place at school entry via a school readiness review
- If you are new to an area you can contact the school nurse team through the school your child is attending or directly with the local team. You can refer your child to this service
- Your child will be offered a review of growth, emotional and physical development at regular intervals in the school setting or at an alternative clinic setting if required
- Our clinics are usually available 9am-5pm weekdays, with some extended clinic times at the start and end of the day
- You can contact your school nursing team for information and advice about your child's health and development or parenting issues. For example, sleep, eating, minor illness, behaviour and routines, emotional health and wellbeing or information about local children's services

Before we get into any further details it would be a good time to explain about confidentiality. Unless you give permission, a School Nurse will not pass on anything you say to anyone else, like parents, teachers, or other students – except in extreme circumstances like if the health, safety or welfare of you or someone else is at significant risk. If we did need to tell someone about something you had told us, we would always try to speak with you first. For our safety and yours we hold information that you tell us on electronic records that can be seen by other healthcare professionals who all follow the same confidentiality rules - this can include your doctor. Records are kept for future use.

To contact the school nurse

Please contact the Referral Management Centre on 0300 1111022 for details of your local team or ring Rectory Road Clinic, Rushden on 01933 410192

The [Local Offer](#) is an online resource of the information in Northamptonshire for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities; it also includes social and leisure activities as well as articles and information. It is managed by the Education Department of Northamptonshire County Council.

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