



Welcome to the January 2019 edition of Disability Grants News - a monthly round up of highlights on the [Disability Grants](#) website and resources for anyone with a disability, caring for or working with disabled adults or children.

Blog Article



Flying High in a Wheelchair – Join the campaign Flying Disabled to enable anyone with a disability to access air travel.

Chris Wood, a father of two young disabled adults tells us about his campaign [Flying Disabled](#) to help anyone with a disability enjoy the freedom of air travel.

Updates



Family Fund

The largest provider of grants for disabled children in the UK



National Disability Discounts

Grant News

Here are some of this months updates and additions....

General

- [The Cystic Fibrosis Holiday Fund](#) provides grants towards days out, respite breaks and holidays.
- [Kids with Arthritis](#) offer emotional and practical support through educational and recreational opportunities.
- The Mouth and Foot Painting Trust Fund are running [Unique Art Awards](#) 2019. It is open to disabled children and young people aged 7 to 21 years. Prizes include up to £600 for entrants and £3,000 for their school/college. The theme for the competition is "My Future" or "Africa". Closing date 10th May 2019.
- Support, advice and advocacy for people with Ataxia-Telangiectasia and their families from the [A-T Society](#). Financial assistance is given through its Support Grants System.
- [The Brittle Bone Society](#) offers support, advice and funding towards essential equipment for people affected by Osteogenesis Imperfecta.
- Support and financial assistance available for individuals who worked in the entertainment industry from [The Royal Variety Charity](#).
- [Regain](#) helps people who have had a sport related spinal cord injury resulting in tetraplegia/quadriplegia.
- [The EnAble Fund for Elected Office](#) covers the additional financial costs involved in seeking elected office if you have a disability. Apply now for the local election on 2nd May 2019.

- [Barchester's Charitable Foundation's](#) listing has been updated to include: Older people 65+, Adults 18+ with a physical or learning disability, Adults 18+ with mental problems, Individuals, and small community groups and charities.
- Working parents of 3-4 years may be entitled to [30 hours tax free funded childcare](#). This is worth up to £2,000 a year.
- [The Cold Weather Payment Scheme](#) runs until 31st March 2019. Check to see if you can get a payment in your area.

Regional

- [The Southern Spinal Injuries Trust](#) supports people living with spinal cord injury in the south and South West of England.
- [The Adamson Trust](#) provides grants for disabled and special needs children aged 3 to 17 years for holidays or respite breaks.
- [The Challenger Children's Fund](#) supports young people under 18 years in Scotland with grants up to £500.
- The Independent Living Funding Scotland has launched a new campaign to raise awareness of its [Transition Fund](#). It can support young people 16 -21 years to learn to drive, purchase sporting equipment or join a club.

Resources

- [The Autism Education Trust](#) provides professional development resources and opportunity to support education.
- An Easy Read version of the [Mental Health Act: Your Rights](#)

- [The IPSEA Legal Resources Portal](#) contains a case law examples on a variety of SEND law topics.
- [Skiggle](#) has created an SOS solution system for care based essentials for individuals to give assistance to others in unforeseen circumstances. The idea is that disabled people support one another. For example: if you run out of continence products.
- [Call Scotland](#) have a number of resources for iPad/Android learners with complex or additional needs. It is also able to offer iPads on short term loan to children and young people with additional support needs.
- School transport can be within an EHC plan if the school transport fulfils an educational or training function. Find out more from this [Case Law Update](#).
- For Advice and Support for children and young people with additional needs....
 - England** – [The Information, Advice and Support Programme](#)
 - Scotland** - [Enquire](#) is the Scottish advice service for additional support for learning.
 - Wales** - [SNAP Cymru](#) provides information, advice and support to parents, children and young people (0-25), who have, or may have, special educational needs or disabilities.
 - Northern Ireland** - [The Special Educational Needs Advice Centre \(SENAC\)](#)

Snippets

- [Kids Pass](#) are offering a 30 day trial for £1 of their Kids Pass membership. This gives discounts on family days out, cinemas and restaurants. If you purchase a Kids Pass Disability Grants receives a small remuneration from the sale.
- **SAVE THE DATE** - Thursday 21st March 2019 is Kidz to Adulz Middle at Erricsson Hall, Ricoh Arena, Coventry, CV6 6GE. A free event for children and young adults up to 25 years with disabilities and additional needs. More information from [Disabled Living](#)

Please don't forget that Disability Grants is a shared resource where everyone helps each other..... So, do participate and share your knowledge and experiences.

Help and Be Helped

All the best

Julia Tyrrell

Founder of Disability Grants

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