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Liverpool's Children's Trust Joint Commissioning Strategy describes the agreed joint commissioning arrangements and sets out at a strategic level the agreed priorities, principles, approaches and language. Joint commissioning will enable an equal and active partnership which will:

- Commission services that give the greatest impact and outcomes
- Avoid duplication of services
- Maximise efficiency and therefore value for money
- Develop co-ordinated services that integrate seamlessly around families
- Share experience and best practice
- Share intelligence about need
- Develop joint monitoring arrangements
- Effectively utilise evidence, intelligence and data to identify need
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We are currently developing a joint SEND Commissioning Strategy that will set out the areas where Liverpool City Council and Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) commission services for

- Children and young people with a special educational need or disability aged 0-25
- Parents and carers of children and young people 0- 25)

The purpose of this strategy will be to set out how Liverpool intends to meet Section 26 of the Children and Families Act 2014.

Section 26 places a duty on local authorities to:

*Implement joint commissioning arrangements with the NHS for education, health and care of children and young people.*

This strategy will set out and deliver

- the strategic vision and aims of our SEND Strategy
- the types of needs and demand for services
- the resources available and funding arrangements
- the types of services we will commission
- our commissioning intentions

The local offer will be an essential component across all aspects of the commissioning cycle

