

Disabled Children's and Young People's Register and WAND card

Registration Form

If you have a disabled child or you are a disabled young person aged up to 19, please complete this voluntary form to be included on Wandsworth's Disabled Children's and Young People's Register (DCR).

The Disabled Children's Register records details of children and young people in the borough who have a physical, sensory or learning disability. A range of conditions are outlined in Section Two but these are not exclusive and if you would like your child to be included please complete the form.

Benefits of being on the register:

- Be kept up-to-date about any service developments relevant to disabled children and young people
- Have a voice and ensure that Wandsworth Council and NHS services are aware of the needs and demand for services in the borough
- Assist the borough to plan services for children and young people
- You may be eligible for a WAND card (see section six)

Will the information be secure?

We will always handle and share your information using the guidelines set out in the Data Protection Act 1998, unless it would put a child or young person at risk. Information on individuals will only be shared for consultation purposes, for example if council or health service officers would like to contact you about changes to services. Most of the information will only be used in aggregate format such as the numbers of children under 5 on the register.

The term "child" is used to include "young person" where appropriate in this form.

Thank you for your time and help in completing this form. You are making an important contribution to the development of local services.

Wandsworth Disabled Children's and Young People's Register

Voluntary Information Collection Form

Questions with * MUST be completed.

SECTION ONE - please PRINT in BLOCK CAPITALS

1.1 *First name of child:

*Family/last name:

*Known as:

*Gender:

*Address:

*Postcode:

*Telephone number(s):

*Date of birth: / /

*How would you like us to contact you: by post by email by telephone by SMS

Please tick as many as possible so we can keep costs down, contacting you by email or SMS.

or would you prefer us not to contact you, except to update this information?

In what language would you prefer to be contacted?

Would you prefer to be contacted in Braille large print another format:

*Name of parent/carer:

*Your relationship to child e.g. Mother/Father/Step-parent/Foster Carer/Grandparent/
Corporate Parent (for Looked After Children):

*Address & telephone number of parent/carer (if different from above):

Email addresses:

*School child/young person attends (if any):

School in Wandsworth

Non-Wandsworth school

1.2 Does the child or young person go to:

- nursery school daycare a childminder breakfast club
 a home-based childcarer after-school club holiday playschemes?

1.3 Have you or your child had a short break this year? Funded by _____

This could be through a holiday scheme at school, funding so you can join in mainstream activities like cubs or a swimming club, money to pay for extra help on a family holiday or respite care funded by the council.

1.4 Would you like further information about short breaks?

SECTION TWO

* Please tick the box(es) which most accurately represent your or your child's disability.

Please do not hesitate to ask any of the professionals you have contact with or call the Aiming High Information Officer, Eleanor Thain on (020) 8871 7913, email: ethain@wandsworth.gov.uk, if you would like some advice and help with this, or any other part, of this form.

2.1 Specific Learning Difficulties or Disabilities

- Includes: Dyslexia, Dyscalculia, Dyspraxia
- Child or young person can have problems with short-term memory, organisational skills and with physical co-ordination

Learning Difficulties or Disabilities

- Includes moderate or severe learning difficulties or disabilities
- Includes Down's Syndrome
- Child or young person may have associated speech and language delay

Global Developmental Delay

- Child or young person may also have difficulties in mobility, co-ordination, communication and perception or learning delay
- They may also have other significant difficulties, such as physical disabilities or a sensory impairment
- Or they may be too young to have a formal diagnosis

Autistic Spectrum Disorder

- Includes Asperger's syndrome
- Children and young people may also have learning disabilities or other difficulties

Behavioural, Emotional and Social Difficulties

- Covers a wide range of ability and severity
- Includes children and young people with emotional disorders such as depression and eating disorders
- Conduct disorders such as oppositional defiance disorder (ODD)
- Hyperkinetic disorders including attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADD/ADHD)
- And syndromes such as Tourette's

Speech, Language and Communication Needs

- Child or young person may have difficulty in understanding and/or making others understand information through spoken language

Visual Impairment

- Includes partial sight to blindness

Hearing Impairment

- Mild hearing loss to profoundly deaf.

Multi-Sensory Impairment

- Visual and hearing difficulties
- Child or young person may have some residual sight and/or hearing

Physical Disability

- Covers a wide ranging group of disabilities
- Eg, Epilepsy, Achondroplasia, Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida
- Child or young person may also have sensory impairments, neurological problems or learning difficulties

Other Disability or Special Need

If the child or young person does not have a diagnosis, or does not fit any of the categories above, please tick this box and put any further information in the text box below.

For example, are you still seeking a diagnosis or more information on your child's condition?
Is your child's condition changing?

The following questions are optional. The answers will be used only to ensure we send you relevant information and put you in touch with other sources of advice and help.

2.3 Do you receive Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payment (PIP) for your child or young person?

2.4 Does the child or young person have a Statement of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)?

2.5 Do they have any siblings?

2.6 Do any of the siblings have disabilities or special needs?

2.7 Does anyone else in the household have a disability or long term illness?

2.8 Please give brief details.

Who is it?

What is their disability?

Relationship to child/young person?

- 2.9 The Family Information Service (FIS) provides free, impartial advice on a range of issues from childcare to education, family support to health information and leisure activities for families to school holiday activities. If you would like to be sent FIS information to see if there are any services you would like to use, please tick here.
- 2.10 Positive Parent Action is Wandsworth's Parent Forum. They are a group of parents of disabled children and young people working together to improve the lives of families like theirs. If you would like to know more about PPA, what they are doing and how you can get involved, please tick here.
- 2.11 Contact a Family-Wandsworth is a local voluntary group which provides information and advice to parents and carers of children and young people with a special need or disability. This includes drop-in and phone services giving help with applying for benefits, grants and many other issues. Would you like to know more about them and how they can help you? Please tick here.

SECTION THREE

* Child's Ethnic Origin (please tick)

3.1 White

- White British
- White Irish
- Any other White background
- Traveller of Irish Heritage
- Gypsy

3.2 Mixed

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other mixed background

3.3 Asian or Asian British

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Any other Asian background

3.4 Black or Black British

- Caribbean
- African
- Any other Black background

3.5 Other Ethnic Groups

- Chinese
- Any other ethnic group

SECTION FOUR

Using and Sharing your information

Unless you tell us otherwise (see below), we will share the information that you give us with other professionals and partners to help provide targeted services and support to you or your child. Examples of these are Children's Services, Health, Education and the Voluntary Sector such as Family Action and Contact a Family.

Please tick ONE BOX ONLY:

4.1 I am happy for this information to be shared with other professionals and partners.

OR

4.2 I am happy for this information to be shared-with any personal details removed- with other professionals and partners.

OR

4.3 I am not happy for this information to be shared-with any personal details removed- with other professionals and partners.

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SECTION FIVE

*Signed

*Date:

This form is acceptable with your name and date, if it is being completed electronically.

*Parent/Carer (please delete)

*Please PRINT name:

Where did you hear about the DCR and WAND card?

- Friends / family
- Professional (SENCO / health visitor / etc)
- Internet
- Publication
- Parent Champion
- Other:

SECTION SIX

Application for a WAND card

Does the child or young person named in this application have a disability, special educational or complex health need that has a significant effect on their ability to get out and about? If so, they may be eligible for a DCR WAND membership card. The card can be used to access services or to confirm that they have a complex disability or special need even where this is not obvious.



To apply for the card, please include current written evidence of **ONE** of the following when submitting your DCR registration form.

- Child tax credit to include the disabled child element
OR
- A letter confirming current receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) at middle or upper level or Personal Independence Payment (PIP)
OR
- A letter from a medical or educational professional confirming there is a complex health need that impacts significantly on getting about and accessing services

If you have more than one child with special needs, you'll need to fill in a separate form for each child. Young people over the age of 16 are welcome to complete their own application form.

The purpose of the WAND card is to help those with severe needs to get out and about to access local services or to help with fast-tracking without the need for lengthy explanation. We hope presentation of the card will ease access, however WAND card holders must still follow safety rules and respect terms and conditions at venues.

Use of the card is solely for the child or young person named on it. If your child is eligible for a WAND card, we aim to send it to you within three weeks. The card is valid for three years (or up to their 20th birthday if it's sooner). The month before the card expires, we will ask you to update your child's details by filling in a new Registration Form. Although this is unlikely to happen, in the event of any misuse, we reserve the right to withdraw the WAND card if necessary.

Please note that if you would like a WAND Card, it is advisable to tick the first box (4.1) in Section Four of this form. This is in case we are asked by a service provider to confirm your membership of the DCR for verification purposes.

If you have any queries, or you want to check on eligibility for the WAND card, please contact the Family Information Service (see contact details on back of this form).

I would like to apply for a WAND card and attach the following written evidence of eligibility:

(we will copy for our files and return original documents to you)

Any other notes or comments?

Please do not hesitate to call the Family Information Service on 020 8871 7899, or email: fis@wandsworth.gov.uk, if you would like some advice and/or help with any part of this form.

Thank you for your time and help in completing this form. You are making an important contribution to the development of local services.

Have you: filled in all the pages?

enclosed WAND card proof, if applying for a WAND card?
(Photocopies are fine, we will copy and post back any originals.)

Now please use the enclosed stamped addressed envelope to send it to:

Disabled Children's Register
Family Information Service
Town Hall
Wandsworth High Street
SW18 2PU

or email to: fis@wandsworth.gov.uk

If you have any questions about this form or if you need it in an alternative format (eg. large print or audio tape) please call (020) 8871 7899

www.wandsworth.gov.uk/fis