Service Aims and Objectives

The service aims to promote access to education by providing continuity of education, reducing barriers to learning, ensuring effective liaison with stakeholders and creating successful outcomes for all pupils.

The Service ensures children and young people aged 5-18, who experience a severe or chronic illness, have mental health issues, or are pregnant/young parents, maintain as much continuity as possible with their education.

The Service is based across two sites, Springfield University Hospital and St George’s Hospital, both located in Tooting. There is also a range of support for children and young people in the Wandsworth community.

**Inpatient Hospital Provision - Regional and National pupils**

1. CAMHS Campus School, Springfield University Hospital - providing education for the inpatients of the following wards:

   **Aquarius Acute Adolescent Psychiatric Unit (CAMHS) - Aquarius Ward**
   The Aquarius Ward is part of the CAMHS directorate (Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services). The unit is a short stay inpatient unit covering South-West London with 10 beds for young people aged 12 -18, who have a serious mental health illness or are experiencing an acute mental health crisis and require short term crisis intervention in hospital.

   **Springfield Hospital Adolescent Eating Disorders Unit (CAMHS) - Wisteria Ward**
   A National Adolescent eating disorders unit, part of the CAMHS directorate with 10 beds for young people aged 11 -17 years with a diagnosed eating disorder. Pupils are supported in the classroom to continue their education and are able to sit examinations.

   **Springfield Hospital Deaf Service (CAMHS) - Corner House**
   A National Deaf Service catering for children and young people who are deaf, aged 8 -16 with complex needs, who have a serious mental health illness or are experiencing an acute mental health crisis and require inpatient treatment or assessment. British Sign Language is used throughout the unit. The 2 classrooms support the pupils to continue with their education using a range of communication.

2. St. George’s Hospital Classroom
   The service is for children and young people of school age (5-18) inpatient at St George’s Hospital, who have long term or recurrent medical needs. The pupils are taught in the hospital classroom or continue with their school work on the wards. Priority is given to long stay patients and pupils who have bouts of recurring illnesses.

**Community Provision - Wandsworth resident pupils only**

a) **Home Tuition - Medical**
   The Home Tuition Service is for children and young people resident in Wandsworth, who are unable to attend school due to an underlying medical condition or mental health issues. The pupils referred to the service will be at home with long term sickness of 15 days or more, leading to extensive periods off school. Pupils will be referred by the home school or the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) on behalf of the home school. Referrals must be supported by a letter from a consultant or a senior clinical medical officer.

b) **School Phobic (KS3) and Vulnerable Pupils (KS4)**
   A provision for Wandsworth resident KS3 and KS4 pupils who are not attending school due to high anxiety, school phobia, incidences of bullying or are disengaged from school due to a range of mental health issues. Pupils are provided with an educational provision, initially in their homes/ local libraries, and then supported to reintegrate to school, college or suitable alternative provision. Pupils are taught core subjects as well as a focus on life skills, self esteem and coping strategies. Referrals must be made through EWS, supported by links with CAMHS and approved by the Headteacher.

c) **Teenage Pregnancy Reintegration Service**
   A service for school age pregnant teenagers and young parents, the service aims to support young people to overcome any barriers to learning they may have faced in the past, and to encourage them to continue their education, both during their pregnancy and after the baby is born. Pupils are taught in their homes and supported to attend education provisions across Wandsworth- school/college placements and alternative education providers.
Wandsworth Hospital and Home Tuition Service - Medical PRU
Springfield University Hospital CAMHS Campus School, St George’s Hospital Classroom and Community Education support for Medical, Phobic or Vulnerable pupils.

### Aims

The Hospital and Home Tuition Service (H&HTS) aims to:

- offer a quality educational provision and support to pupils with long term or recurrent illnesses, mental health issues or are pregnant/young parents aged between 5 and 18 years who are in statutory full-time education

- enable pupils to access as much education as their medical/mental health condition or pregnancy allows

- maintain the momentum of their education and provide continuity of education for all pupils

- provide home tuition for pupils who are unable to attend school due to a medical condition or are pregnant/young parents and ensure that they receive a minimum of 5 hours teaching per week and up to 10 hours where the pupil’s condition allows

- support pupils to reintegrate to school as soon as practically possible and track pupils on discharge to ensure successful outcomes

- work in partnership with parents, medical and educational professionals, outside agencies and stakeholders, to minimise interruption and disruption to the education of pupils

- promote high quality outcomes and raise aspirations for all pupils

The specific aims and objectives of the service are set out in the H&HTS Service Improvement Plan. The Plan is reviewed and monitored through regular staff and curriculum meetings and submitted termly to the Head of the Education Inclusion Service, Wandsworth.

There is an information folder available on each hospital tuition site outlining the aims, objectives and policies of the Service.