

A message from KIDS Yorkshire:

We would like to give all our friends and supporters an update in light of COV-19. KIDS are committed to supporting families at this difficult time and we are adjusting our services to ensure we can do this.

We have a range of information for families on our website at www.kids.org.uk/news/coronavirus-useful-information-for-parents-and-carers which is being updated daily, please keep an eye on our Facebook page and please see below for information on your local service.

Support for Parents of Disabled Children and Young People

We currently provide Parent Forums & Engagement, Parent Support Groups and Befriending services. We have listened to the government advice for parents and, at present, this work will be supported by a telephone and an online offer.

- Our Hull Sleep Service and HeadStart Parent Training have cancelled their training dates until the
 end of the month. We will review our next dates after the Easter break. Our team will be on hand
 throughout to take your calls.
- Hull SENDIASS will be operating a telephone and online offer at present. Please follow their KIDS
 Hull SENDIASS Facebook page where, from next week, they will be providing an online offer for
 information, advice and support.

Direct work with Disabled children

This includes 'Early Years' specialist playgroups within the children's centres and out of school activities for children & young people and their families through our 'Family Activities'. At present we are not able to offer group sessions but all families will be contacted and we will be sharing information and support on keeping children entertained and supporting their development.

Direct work with Disabled young people

Our Young People's Engagement group ['The Loud Mouths'] is not running groups at present but we will be in touch with all the young people and doing things a little bit differently to support with continuity. Our Advocacy Service will be providing essential face to face support only at this time. We will be adaptable as things change.

"KIDS are here to listen and offer emotional, practical support along with information and advice. Our staff are trained to help around different matters, from school advice to play or dealing with sleep difficulties. We know this is a worrying time for you and your family and information is changing daily but we will try and help you find solutions and, where we can, answers to questions."

The majority of our staff are working at home but our office is manned at present.

Unfortunately we are not open to visitors but are
here during office hours **Monday to Friday** to be contacted on

01482 467540

If we miss a call we will phone you back!

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