

Promoting inclusion

Information Workshop: Supporting families with disabled children

This workshop is ideal for staff working in children's centres and family information services, wanting to provide information and support to families with disabled children.

The training is delivered interactively to a maximum of 16 people through a mixture of presentation, discussion and case studies. We have found that having staff from different settings, both children's centres and information services, can be particularly beneficial, as through discussion they learn more about each others roles and find ways of working together more effectively.

The basic workshop lasts approx two and a half hours and covers:

- What do we mean by the word 'disabled';
- How a disabled child might impact on family life;
- Information needs of families with disabled children;
- Common barriers to families accessing support;
- How Contact a Family, children's centres and family information services can help families.

We are happy to tailor the training to meet organisations particular needs.

Additional modules can be added including:

Finance/Benefits – How children's centres and information services can help families find out about and access financial support to which they are entitled;

Childcare – How children's centres and information services can help families with disabled children access childcare, suited to their child's needs;

Education – Helping families access support for their child's learning, both pre-school and at school;

Reaching out to families – Marketing your services to families with disabled children, living in your local community.

Alternatively all 4 modules can be delivered as an additional half day's training.

Contact a Family's children's centre team can travel and deliver the training in your setting, subject to our availability.

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