

Useful professionals and organisations

Health Visitor – offers a Universal Service to all families at with a baby. Will also offer specialist support to families that need it. Accessed through GP

Paediatrician – Specialist doctor in child development. Referrals through GP.

Speech and Language Therapist – Supports families with children with delayed speech and language, in a small group or 1-1 situation. Will also help with feeding. Referrals can be made through local health trust.

Physiotherapist - Supports families with children with delayed physical development, in a small group or 1-1 situation. Will also help with equipment. Referrals can be made through local health trust.

Occupational Therapist - Supports families to enable children to access day-to-day activities. This might involve equipment or sensory needs. Referrals can be made through local health trust.

Social Care Occupational Therapist – Will assess homes for adaptations and equipment. Accessed through Surrey County Council www.surreycc.gov.uk

Portage Teacher – Will teach families to engage/play with their children with a Special Educational Need and/or Disability under the age of 3. Also, offer specialist programmes for children with behaviour difficulties and Autistic Spectrum Disorder. Access through Surrey County Council www.surreycc.gov.uk

Dietician – Support with feeding. Referrals through GP.

Community Nurse – Provide medical support, at home eg, tracheostomies etc.

Carers Support – Support available for all carers. Particularly for Disability Living Allowance. Search for local Carers Support.

Young Carers - Support available for all Young Carers. Groups, grants and peer support. Search for local Young Carers.

Social Worker – Support for families in need. Accessed through Surrey County Council www.surreycc.gov.uk

Children with Learning Disability Nursing Team – Nursing Team who provide support around Feeding, Behaviour, Toileting for children with a Learning Disability, Accessed through CAMHS.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) – CAMHS One Stop. Call 0300 222 5755

Home Start – An organisation which provides volunteers to support families with children under the age of 5. Please search for your local Home Start

Crossroads – Referrals can be made for families whose child receives Middle or High Rate Disability Living Allowance. Offer 3 hours free respite, and extra paid respite (if suitable carers are available). Access through Surrey County Council www.surreycc.gov.uk