



BPCF CIC

Company No: 12218043

Join us to

Update on CAMHS services in Brent

Tina Swain Service Director for CAMHS & Eating Disorders

And

Hear about and feedback 'SEND working together charter' in Brent

We will also be joined by

Norma Johnson

Designated Clinical Officer SEND NHS NWL ICB Brent & Harrow

Sharon Buckby

Head of Inclusion and Virtual School Headteacher

Thursday 28th September 10-12.30pm in person

Chalkhill Community Centre

Allen Suite

The Welford Centre,.

113 Chalkhill Road

Wembley Park

HA9 9FX

Wednesday 27th September 7-8.30pm online

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/3905806354>

Meeting ID: 390 580 6354

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If you are a member of BPCF or would like to be join us on the 27th September to pick up your Max Card

Please let us know about any issues you have been having during these difficult times be it in education, social, health and we can try and help and get answers for you.

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**BPCF monthly forum meeting dates September 2023 to March 2024
List of Forum dates and times for your Diaries (more details to follow)**

Thursday 28st September 10-12.30pm in person

Wednesday 27th September 7-8.30pm on line

Thursday 19th October 10-12.30pm -in person

Wednesday 18th October 7-8.30pm -on line

Thursday 23rd November 10-12.30pm -in person

Wednesday 29th November 7-8.30pm -online

Thursday 14th December 10-12.30pm -in person

Wednesday 13th December 7-8.30pm -online

Thursday 25th January 10-12.30pm – in person

Thursday 1st February 7-8.30pm -on line

Thursday 22nd February 10-12.30pm in person

Wednesday 28th February 7-8.30pm – online

Thursday 21st March 10-12.30pm-in person

Wednesday 20th March 7-8.30pm -on line

All in person forum meetings will be at

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All evening meetings will be online

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SELF-NOMINATION For Brent Parent Carer Forum Community Interest Company

Advisory Group members

October 2023

- *Are you a parent carer with a son or daughter with SEND living in Brent .*
- *Are you member of BPCF ? <https://brentpcf.org/become-a-member/>*
- *Do you have a passion and desire to work in partnership with the local authority and health services to act as their “critical friend “to support parents’ carers to feel better informed and equipped in their partnering roles?*
- *Do you have time to give to support the current team of directors and support the various management responsibilities, activities and roles the forum has?*
- *Do you have an interest in mainstream , special schools or another lead area in SEND?*
- *Do you have a sense of humour ?*

What will we do to support you ?

- *Provide you with an induction and training to support your role.*
- *Support from a passionate, skilled , committed and friendly team of people.*
- *Some childcare costs and remuneration may be provided with in the scope of the role (although we is volunteer positions*
- *Are you able to use your lived experiences, knowledge and skills for the forum as a whole and all families with a child/yp with SEND 0-25*
- *Improved knowledge and understanding of the SEND landscape locally and nationally.*
- *Opportunity to make a real difference*

The **Brent Parent Carer Forum CIC (BPCF CIC)** will work act as the official model of engagement and participation with parent/carers of children and young people with SEND 0-25 living in Brent will act as the official mechanism to allow us to achieve our primary aims.

We will

- Ensure that BPCF CIC will have and continue to look for and use effective mechanisms to reach families that represents the diverse and social and economic and lived experiences of families.
- Work closely with all known groups to ensure that those parents/carers who are seldom heard /harder to reach are given the opportunity to have a voice
- Ensure that equal regard is given to seeking the views of parents/carers whose children may be accessing mainstream and special school/ settings being supported on SEN support or with an EHCP

- Ensure that consideration is given to understanding and reaching families of children and young people 0-25 and with varying special educational needs. With a focus on those families who may be traditionally harder to reach.
- Ensure that parents continue to be involved to provide feedback on services, offer constructive challenge to current services and input co-production of new and future services and input into decision making about existing services and provisions.
- To work in partnership with a solution focused approach

Fill in this form to nominate yourself for election (please refer to eligibility criteria above)

Please complete and email to admin@brentpcf.org

Your self -nomination

I nominate myself for the role of BPCF Advisory group member

BPCF Advisory Group member

Please tick if there are any areas you have a particular interest in

- Early Years and Intervention
- Special Schools
- Mainstream schools and settings
- SEND Complex needs
- ASD and ADHD(Neurodiversity)
- SEND SUPPORT
- EHCP
- Transition to adulthood (PfA)
- Emotional wellbeing
- Emotional Based School Avoidance
- Short Breaks
- Social media / marketing
- Other -please add below

c) Your attendance at BPCF Meetings and Training – Self nomination

Please confirm that you are able to commit yourself to attend meetings necessary to perform your nominated role. We are really aware that we are all busy with our family commitments we need nominees to be able to commit to supporting each other and attending meetings .

Yes

d) Personal Statement for Self-nomination

Please tell us in approximately **150 words or less** why you are nominating yourself for your role in BPCF

Remember to tell us about your skills and how you would use them in the role you have nominated yourself for.

I nominate myself for the role of because:

Please send me your expression of interest to admin@brentpcf.org by Friday 22nd September Once we have received all forms, we will invite you to a briefing session online at 7-8pm Tuesday 10th October 2023

Topic: BPCF Advisory Group briefing
Time: Oct 10, 2023 19:00 London
Join Zoom Meeting
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If you need any help or have a question please email us and we will arrange to call you .



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Dear Parent/Carer

We are really keen to develop more ways for parents to be involved in BPCF and for parents to be better signposted, informed and supported to navigate the journey we have to make as parents of a child or young person with SEND.

We are keen to support schools to better equip parents as they work their way through the world of SEND. As a Parent Carer Forum, we aim to

1. Ensure that we have effective mechanisms to reach families that represent the diverse social and economic and lived experiences of families in Brent.
1. Work closely with all known groups and schools to ensure that those parents/carers who are seldom heard/harder to reach are given the opportunity to have a voice.
2. Ensure that equal regard is given to seeking the views of parents/carers whose children may be accessing mainstream and special school/ settings being supported on SEN support or with EHCP.

<https://contact.org.uk/help-for-families/parent-carer-participation>

[BRENT PARENT CARERS CIC \(brentpcf.org\)](https://brentpcf.org)

As a strategic group we want to use parents direct experience of receiving services and living with SEND, so that Parent Carer Forums can help set the agenda and highlight where local services, processes, and commissioners are working well, or challenge when changes or improvements need to be made.

Parent Carer Forums work in a solution-focused way with their local partners to find the best possible outcomes and solutions for local families, with the resources that are available – and if those resources are inadequate, they are perfectly within their rights to challenge this.

We are looking for parents/carers who would be willing to volunteer a few hours a week and meet with other parents telling them about services for children and young people with SEND through a range of different avenues

- . In areas such as:
 - Brent Carer Parent Forum—official strategic voice in Brent
 - Brent 's Local Offer
 - Access to short breaks
 - Education and social care
 - Health services and key messages
 - Childcare and parenting support

What are the benefits for SEND parent champions?

- Opportunity to meet with other parents/carers
- Training to assist you to move toward developing your confidence and skills
- Experience that will support you toward new goals and employment
- You will become better informed and equipped in your own role as parents
- You will receive regular support and supervision.

If you are interested in knowing more about becoming a parent champion– Please call Carol on 07852101492 or email us on admin@brentpcf.org

**Date of Brent Parent Champions SEND briefing session on
Thursday 12th October 10.00-11.00am**

Topic: Brent Parent Carer Forum SEND parent champion briefing session daytime

Time 10am-11am

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Topic: BPCF send Parent champion briefing session evening

Time: Thursday 12th October 2023

Time 7pm-8pm

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