

# FURTHER INFORMATION

## National associations in the UK

NAHHT (National Association of Hospital and Home Teachers)

[www.nahht.org.uk](http://www.nahht.org.uk)

A professional association for teachers in the UK who work with children and young people whose medical needs prevent them from attending school.

NAHPS (National Association of Hospital Play Specialists) [www.nahps.org.uk](http://www.nahps.org.uk)

NAHPS exists to promote the well-being of children who are patients at a hospital, through the provision of high-quality play services.

The Hospital Play Staff Education Trust (HPSET)

[www.hpset.org.uk](http://www.hpset.org.uk)

British Association for Play Therapy

[www.bapt.uk.com](http://www.bapt.uk.com)

## Networks in the UK

The Children with Medical Needs Network

The Children with Medical Needs mailing list ([cmn.net](http://cmn.net)) has been set up to provide a forum to share questions and answers on issues and concerns relating to the education of learners with medical conditions. For instance, you may like to share information and advice by email with colleagues on issues such as assessment approaches, hospital–school liaison, OFSTED inspections, curriculum resources, supporting pupils, and integrating the literacy hour etc. The list is intended to support all those involved in teaching and supporting learners in hospital, at home, in off-site units or within mainstream schools.

To join the list, go to: <http://lists.becta.org.uk/mailman/listinfo/cmn.net>

## Government policy

[www.dcsf.gov.uk/sickchildren](http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/sickchildren)

Department for Children, Schools and Families – Access to Education for Children and Young People with Medical Needs. This guidance sets out minimum national standards for the education of children who are unable to attend school because of illness or injury.

Every Child Matters

[www.everychildmatters.gov.uk](http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk)

A new approach to the well-being of children and young people from birth to age 19.

## International associations and networks

Hospital Play Specialists Association of New Zealand

[www.hospitalplay.org.nz](http://www.hospitalplay.org.nz)

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H.O.P.E. – Hospital Organisation of Pedagogues in Europe

To establish the right for hospitalised children to education according to their individual needs in a suitable environment.

[www.hospitalteachers.eu](http://www.hospitalteachers.eu)

Opportunity to publish article in newsletter:

[www.hospitalteachers.eu/works/publications.htm](http://www.hospitalteachers.eu/works/publications.htm)

H.O.P.E. Forum

[www.hospitalteachers.eu/winfos/forum/forum.php](http://www.hospitalteachers.eu/winfos/forum/forum.php)

Childlife (American Play Specialists site)

[www.childlife.org](http://www.childlife.org)

## **Useful links for further information**

Draft model policy for Schools: Access to Education for Children with medical and mental health conditions, also included on Chelsea Children's Hospital website

[www.chelseachildrenshospitalschool.org](http://www.chelseachildrenshospitalschool.org) (click on 'advice to schools')

Government Policy and Advice to Schools. Also sourced from:

[www.cchs.org.uk/schools-advice/education-and-illness/advice-for-schools](http://www.cchs.org.uk/schools-advice/education-and-illness/advice-for-schools)

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