# What's on in Warrington

Autumn 2 Half Term 2024





## **ADDvanced Solutions Community Network**

is an open access offer that supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them. Below you will find the learning programmes and workshops for Warrington families. No diagnosis or referral is needed to access ADDvanced Solutions Community Network.

#### **Community Network Groups**

Delivered weekly during term time, an informal, open access learning opportunity to seek advice and support around challenges you may be facing at all stages of your journey. Drop in, no need to book, to meet the team and visiting professionals.

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# Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme

Six-session learning programme for parents and carers to increase understanding of neurodevelopmental conditions and build skills and confidence to better support their child or young person's presenting needs.

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# Preparing For Adulthood Learning Programme

A newly commissioned offer of learning opportunities to parents and carers of neurodivergent young people **aged 11+**, **who are awaiting Autism and LD assessment**, to support them as they approach adulthood.

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#### Online Learning Workshops

Navigating your way through the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) process to ensure that appropriate support is in place for your child or young person can be a challenge. This learning workshop has been designed to explore and clarify key features of the SEND process.

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# What is a Community Network Group?

Community Network Groups, delivered weekly during term time, offer an informal learning opportunity to seek advice and support around any challenges you may be facing at all stages of your journey - no referral or diagnosis needed. Drop in, no need to book, to meet the team and visiting professionals, for learning and strategies to better support your child or young person.

# **Warrington Community Network Group - NEW VENUE**

#### Where?

Orford Community Hub, Festival Ave, Warrington WA2 9EP.

The hub is based a 5 minute drive Sandy Lane Children's Centre, where the group was previously located.

**Get directions** 



When?	Topic		
Thursday 7th November 12:30pm-2:30pm	<b>Supporting Sleep Difficulties:</b> Providing strategies and advice on how to improve sleep routines for neurodivergent children and young people.		
Thursday 14th November 12:30pm-2:30pm	In partnership with SENDIASS: Providing information about their role supporting parents and carers who have children with Special Educational Needs.		
Thursday 21st November 12:30pm-2:30pm	<b>Tourette's Syndrome:</b> Understanding the characteristics of Tourette's Syndrome and discussing strategies to support everyday challenges.		
Thursday 28th November 12:30pm-2:30pm	ADHD and Rejection Sensitive Dysphoria: Supporting ADHD children and young people with the intense distress experienced as a result of perceived rejection.		
Thursday 5th December 12:30pm-2:30pm	<b>Situational Mutism:</b> Exploring why neurodivergent children and young people are more likely to present with this condition and what we can do to support them.		
Thursday 12th December 12:30pm-2:30pm	<b>Preparing for Christmas:</b> Strategies to support neurodivergent children and young people to transition into the Christmas holidays.		

# **Monday All Area Online Community Network Group**

#### Please join us online by clicking here to register your details.

Only one registration is required to join any of the topics listed below and you will receive a reminder each week, which includes the link to join. Our online offer is delivered via Zoom for Healthcare.

When?	Торіс
<b>Monday 4th</b> <b>November</b> 9:30am-11:00am	<b>Separation Anxiety:</b> Exploring strategies to support neurodivergent children and young people with presenting separation anxiety.
<b>Monday 11th</b> <b>November</b> 9:30am-11:00am	<b>ADHD and Rejection Sensitive Dysphoria:</b> Supporting ADHD children and young people with the intense distress experienced as a result of perceived rejection.
Monday 18th November 9:30am-11:00am	<b>Tourette's Syndrome:</b> Understanding the characteristics of Tourette's Syndrome and discussing strategies to support everyday challenges.
<b>Monday 25th</b> <b>November</b> 9:30am-11:00am	<b>Supporting Sleep Difficulties:</b> Providing strategies and advice on how to improve sleep routines for neurodivergent children and young people.
Monday 2nd December 9:30am-11:00am	<b>The Graduated Approach:</b> Discussing what the Graduated Approach to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities looks like in your local area.
<b>Monday 9th</b> <b>December</b> 9:30am-11:00am	<b>Preparing for Christmas:</b> Strategies to support neurodivergent children and young people to transition into the Christmas holidays.

# **Wednesday All Area Online Community Network Group**

#### Please join us online by clicking here to register your details.

Only one registration is required to join any of the topics listed below and you will receive a reminder each week, which includes the link to join. Our online offer is delivered via Zoom for Healthcare.

When?	Торіс
Wednesday 6th November 5:00pm-6:30pm	<b>The Graduated Approach:</b> Discussing what the Graduated Approach to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities looks like in your local area.
Wednesday 13th November 5:00pm-6:30pm	<b>Gender and Neurodevelopmental Conditions:</b> Clarifying the key terms and ideas around gender identity, as well as how we can support our neurodivergent children and young people with their gender identity.
Wednesday 20th November 5:00pm-6:30pm	<b>Separation Anxiety:</b> Exploring strategies to support neurodivergent children and young people with presenting separation anxiety.
Wednesday 27th November 5:00pm-6:30pm	ADHD and Rejection Sensitive Dysphoria: Supporting ADHD children and young people with the intense distress experienced as a result of perceived rejection.
Wednesday 4th December 5:00pm-6:30pm	<b>Tourette's Syndrome:</b> Understanding the characteristics of Tourette's Syndrome and discussing strategies to support everyday challenges.
Wednesday 11th December 5:00pm-6:30pm	<b>Preparing for Christmas:</b> Strategies to support neurodivergent children and young people to transition into the Christmas holidays.

# What is the Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme?

The Neurodevelopmental Conditions (ND) Learning Programme provides an opportunity for parents and carers to gain understanding of neurodevelopmental conditions, specific learning difficulties and associated mental health needs and gain strategies to support the difficulties that may present, including:

- Neurodevelopmental Conditions including Autism, ADHD, Sensory Processing Difficulties, Specific Learning Difficulties.
- Managing everyday challenges and behaviours including sleep, toileting and eating difficulties.
- Your Local Offer, disability welfare rights and SEND, Early Help and Education Health Care Plans.

#### Face to Face Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme

Our next face-to-face Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme will be delivered next half term. You can book your free place in advance, with further details to be confirmed closer to the time.

Call our office on **01925 320863** or email us on **info@addvancedsolutions.co.uk**No referral or diagnosis is needed.

### **Online Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme**

#### If you would prefer to join us online, Please click here to register your details.

Our ND Learning Programme will be delivered online, twice a week, over three weeks - only one registration is required to attend all of the six sessions and you will receive a reminder for each session.

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	Tuesday	<b>Wednesday</b>	Tuesday	<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>5th November</b>	<b>6th November</b>	12th November	<b>13th November</b>	19th November	<b>20th November</b>
6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm

# What is the Preparing for Adulthood Learning Programme?

(whilst awaiting autism or learning disability assessment)

We are newly commissioned in St Helens to offer learning opportunities to parents and carers of neurodivergent young people aged 11+ who are awaiting Autism and Learning Disability assessment. This is a structured, 6 session learning programme, delivered face to face or online, supporting parents and carers as their young person approaches adulthood:

- Planning for transition
- Supporting independence
- Reasonable adjustments and SEND
- Further education and employment
- Independent living
- Community inclusion
- Relationships
- Good health and wellbeing
- Exploring local provision and services for your young person

## **Online Preparing for Adulthood Learning Programme**

# To join us online, Please click here to register your details.

Our PfA Learning Programme will be delivered online, twice a week, over three weeks - only one registration is required to attend all of the six sessions and you will receive a reminder for each session.

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6
Monday 4th November	Thursday 7th November	Monday 11th November	Thursday 14th November	Monday 18th November	Thursday 21st November
6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm	6.30pm - 8.30pm

# What is a Online Learning Workshop?

Online learning workshops provide parents and carers with an understanding of a particular topic around neurodevelopmental conditions. The workshop provides strategies to support children and young people at home and in school, with an opportunity to interact with our team via the chat and Q&A function.

#### **Introduction to SEND Provision and EHCP Process**

Navigating your way through the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) process to ensure that appropriate support is in place for your child or young person can be a challenge. This learning workshop has been designed to explore and clarify key features of the SEND process, and to provide information for parents and carers of a child/young person with a neurodevelopmental condition. We aim to enable you to work in partnership with the school's SEND Co-Ordinator and other professionals to ensure the most appropriate support for your child or young person.

When?	Where?
<b>Friday 8th November</b> 9.30am - 12.00pm	<u>Please join us online by clicking here to register</u> <u>your details</u> .

Our online offer is delivered via Zoom for Healthcare, and you will receive a reminder with the link before the session via your email.

# **Learning and Support for Foster Carers**

We are commissioned to provide an enhanced offer of learning and support for foster carers of Warrington fostered children and young people. Please contact the office on 01925 320863 or email info@addvancedsolutions.co.uk to find out more about the support that is available.

# **Coffee Mornings, Afternoons and Engagement Events**

Our team are happy to attend any face-to-face coffee mornings and/or online sessions to explain our offer for families and professionals. Please email us at <a href="mailto:info@addvancedsolutions.co.uk">info@addvancedsolutions.co.uk</a> for further information.

#### **Seeking Crisis Support?**



ADDvanced Solutions Community Network is not a crisis service. If you, a child or young person is experiencing acute distress and is deemed to be a risk to themselves or others, we have listed the local area crisis contact details on our urgent support page, which you can find on our website: <a href="https://www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk">www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk</a> under the 'Contact' menu option.

You will also find links to national organisations that can offer support.

#### **Online offer:**

Our online offer is delivered using Zoom for Healthcare. The details we request are kept securely and used in line with our privacy policy: <a href="https://www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk/policies/privacy-policy.html">www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk/policies/privacy-policy.html</a>

If you are using a phone, you will need to download the Zoom app beforehand.

Please be mindful of your data usage. If you do not have an unlimited data plan, you may need to connect to a Wi-Fi connection to prevent charges.

Get in touch with us











