



# **SNAP PARENT CARER FORUM**

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# SNAP PCF Update

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# The PDA Position Statement

Parent carers can help to identify problems frequently experienced by families who have children & young people with SEND.

It was brought to SNAP's attention, that for children & young people who presented with extreme demand avoidance / PDA, along with their families, there were challenges in having their needs recognised and met across education, health and social care.

SNAP proposed that a PDA position statement maybe an appropriate way forward and that Parent Carer participation in the process was required, due to the expertise they could bring to the table due to their lived experience.



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# The PDA Position Statement

Coproduced in collaboration with SNAP PCF and professionals across education, health and social care sectors in Central Bedfordshire and recognises the need for extra support to children/ young people and families with PDA .

The statement also had input from a young person with PDA

Launched on the local offer and disseminated across the locality just prior to PDA Day on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021

15<sup>th</sup> May 2021 : PDA Day, hosted by the PDA Society. The position statement was promoted by the Society across their social media channels



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# The PDA Position Statement

The statement and PDA Society introductory video are available here: [You said, we did - SEND / Local Offer feedback | Central Bedfordshire Council](#)

Useful Resources for further information on PDA :

Autism Bedfordshire [www.autismbedfordshire.net](http://www.autismbedfordshire.net)

National Autistic Society [www.autism.org.uk](http://www.autism.org.uk)

PDA Society [www.pdasociety.org.UK](http://www.pdasociety.org.UK)

Positive Autism Support and Training  
[www.positiveautismsupportandtraining.co.uk](http://www.positiveautismsupportandtraining.co.uk)



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# Locality PDA Training & Education

Suggestions put forward by SNAP PCF to address the lack of understanding in the local area regarding PDA included a training package for professionals

SNAP PCF have coproduced in the first instance , a training package with the objective that professionals and parents would have equal knowledge in how to recognise and support PDA – due to commence in Nov 2021

SNAP PCF have already held some parent training from the PDA Society which was well received, and this is now the initial training package for professionals.



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# Diagnosis Support Pack (DSP)

A coproduced support pack for families following a diagnosis of neurodiversity, involving parents, young people, SNAP PCF, Cambridgeshire Community Services NHS Trust, CAMHS, Educational Psychology and other key partners

A 'one-stop shop' containing information, resources & signposting in a variety of media

14 different sections including positives of neurodiversities, lived experiences, sleep, medication, sensory processing needs, mental health and lots more



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# Diagnosis Support Pack (DSP)

The pack aims to uplift and celebrate neurodiversity

Has received interest from NHS England – Improvement (NHSEI) in looking at whether the pack can be progressed and used as a national resource

The work has been presented nationally at Royal College College of Paediatrics and Child Health

The pack can be found here:

<https://www.cambscommunityservices.nhs.uk/beds-luton-community-paediatrics/diagnosis-support-pack/talking-about-a-diagnosis>



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# The purpose of our SNAP PCF Survey

To inform CBC and the CCG of parents' experience when using their service.

To find the gaps in services that need addressing and to raise these in meetings as a critical friend.

Our feedback from the survey is anonymised; we believe that feedback is a 'gift' and an opportunity to make everyone's' experience better, including professionals.

We need more families to fill in the Survey – this includes parents/carers who have children at SEN Support

Please could you help us by sending our Survey to your families

Thank you



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# Membership & Contact Details

Complete our membership form

Parents Membership :

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MembershipformtojoinSNAP>

Professionals Membership :

[https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SNAP\\_Professionals](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SNAP_Professionals)

Contact us at : [admin@snappcf.org.uk](mailto:admin@snappcf.org.uk)

Find us at : [www.snappcf.org.uk](http://www.snappcf.org.uk)

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# The New Local Offer

The Local Offer will be Launched Early November 2021

There will be Local Offer Events around CBC to inform families and professionals about the Local Offer – Wednesday 3rd and Saturday 6th November

SNAP PCF has just completed three Parent Panels to feed back about the New Local Offer in Education, Health and Social Care

SNAP PCF have discussed with CBC about the layout of the landing page, reviewed the content of services, making suggestions of what else they may wish to add.



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# What difference have we made ?

- Home Start Parent Mentoring pilot
- Unlawful barriers to an EHCNA
- PDA Position Statement
- Local Offer
- SENTAS – School Transport
- Parent Pledge funding arrangements out of county residential placements
- Short Breaks funding
- Diagnosis Support Pack



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# What are we continuing to work on ?

- Section 117 Aftercare
- Early Help
- Parent Carer Needs Assessment
- PFA
- Written Statement of Action; Coproduction, EHCP, Strategy and the 'New Local Offer'
- Ongoing work on PDA training offer for professionals



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**Any Feedback and/or Questions?**