

How to access the Early Support team?

Early Support can be requested by the young person, parents, carers or professionals.

You can ask about Early Support by contacting the Early Help Hub on:

e: earlyhelphub@cornwall.gov.uk

t: **01872 322277**

More information

The criteria for Early Support is available at:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/earllysupport

The Local Offer

www.supportincornwall.org.uk

For more information on Early Support resources please visit:

www.ncb.org.uk/earllysupport



Contact us

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“ Am being listened to
and have more support
to help me now. ”

- quote from a 10 year old



Together 
for Families

Early Support in Cornwall

Working together with families and professionals to support a child or young person's additional needs and disabilities



If you would like this information in another format or language please contact:

Cornwall Council, County Hall,
Treyew Road, Truro, TR1 3AY

e: equality@cornwall.gov.uk

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 www.cornwall.gov.uk

What is Early Support?

Early Support is a coordinated approach which brings together families and professionals to address a child/young person's additional needs or disability.

Early Support works to improve the way that services work with children/young people and their families.

Early Support uses a booklet called "All About Me". This booklet tells people from a child's perspective what is important to them and how best to support them e.g. their favourite toy or they don't like loud noises.



How Early Support works in Cornwall

Early Support works with children and young people aged 0 to 18 years with an additional need or disability.

The Team Around the Child meeting (TAC)

Where there are a number of services supporting a child/young person we provide coordination through a Team Around the Child (TAC) meeting.

The family chooses a Lead Professional who will chair the meetings and write a plan for the child/young person. The plan is regularly reviewed and meets the child and family's priorities.

TAC is voluntary and will only work with engagement from all TAC members.

“ The load was taken off my shoulders. I have already recommended Early Support to lots of people I know. ”

“ We have been given great support and been listened to and sign posted to groups and activities for the whole family. ”

“ We were shown some great ideas which have helped us to understand our daughter's behaviour. This has helped us on our journey through ASD. ”

“ My child is able to stick to boundaries. It helped him to hear things from another person - not just me. ”

“ I feel happier at school now. ”
- quote from a 16 year old