Welcome to the Children's Neuropsychology Service

Paediatric Neuropsychology

Information for Patients

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What is the Children's Neuropsychology Service?

This service is based at the Leicester Royal Infirmary in the Windsor building. We offer face-to-face appointments at



- Leicester Royal Infirmary
- Leicester General Hospital

We also offer video appointments.

Children and young people referred to the service often have conditions that may affect their brain such as epilepsy, a head injury or a brain tumour.

Children and young people are usually referred to the service by a doctor who specialises in

- the brain (a neurologist),
- cancer (an oncologist), or
- children (a paediatrician).

We look at the learning and behaviour of a child or young person with problems involving the brain (neurological problems).

Who will my child be seen by?

They will be seen by either



- a clinical psychologist,
- a trainee clinical psychologist or
- an assistant psychologist (sometimes they may seen by one psychologist or a couple at a time).

Clinical psychologists study and help people with their mind and behaviour. They will do your child's assessment.

They will ask your child about their worries. If needed, they will do a neuropsychological assessment. This is judged on a case-by-case basis.

How an assessment may help

You, and your child's school, may not always know how your child's neurological problems might affect their ability.

An assessment can tell us what your child finds easy and difficult.

What will my child do?

A neuropsychological assessment will be face-to-face. It may take more than 1 appointment. Your child may be asked to do different tasks such as quizzes, puzzles and pen and paper tasks. These tasks help us to understand your child's:



- learning
- attention
- memory
- thinking
- emotions

Each appointment may take up to 3 hours. Please bring a snack and drink for your child. Please bring their glasses (if they have them).

What happens after my child's assessment?

The assessment can help us think about extra support that could be helpful for your child, at home and at school.

When an assessment is done, we will give you, and the health professionals that support your child, a written report of the results. The report from the assessments can also be given to your child's school if this is helpful. Our team will do this with your consent.

This report can help you and people such as teachers, guide and support your child, in a way that uses their strengths and manages their difficulties.

If your child needs to be seen by another team after the assessment, we can refer you (by email or post) to another service with your consent.

Privacy and safety

We take care to keep our conversations private. We use an electronic note system that can be seen by other health professionals. You will be sent information about this system separately, in another leaflet.

If we are worried about your child's safety, we may need to speak to other professionals, but we will always try to talk to you before doing so.

Contact details

If you have any more questions about the Children's Neuropsychology Service, please call us on:

0116 258 4956

If you have any questions you would like to ask us, please write them down here:

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