

# Welcome to the Children's Neuropsychology Service

## Paediatric Neuropsychology

Information for patients and carers

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## What is the Children's Neuropsychology Service?

This service is based at the Leicester Royal Infirmary in the Windsor building. It looks at the learning and behaviour of a child or young person with problems involving the brain (neurological problems).

Children referred to the service often have conditions that may affect their brain such as epilepsy, a head injury or a brain tumour. Children are usually referred to the service by a doctor who specialises in the brain (a neurologist), cancer (an oncologist), or children (a paediatrician).



## 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 be seen by 1 psychologist or a couple at a time). Clinical psychologists study and help people with their mind and behaviour. They will do your child's first assessment. They will ask your child about their concerns. If needed, they will complete another assessment (neuropsychological assessment). This assessment may take more than one appointment. This will be judged on a case by case basis.



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## 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 or young person finds easy and difficult.

## What will my child or young person do?

They 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, and their glasses (if they use 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 completed, a written report of the results will be given to you and the health professionals that support your child. The report from the assessments can also be given to your child's school if this is helpful (by our team, with your consent).

This report can help you and professionals 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, the clinical psychologist can refer you (through email or post) to another service with your consent.

## Privacy and safety

We take care to keep our conversations private, but we do 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 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**

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