Physical & Sensory Support

Criteria for involvement of the Physical and Sensory Support Multi-sensory Impairment (MSI) Team

Requests for involvement from the PSS home and school team (0-19 years) to support access to learning can be made for children / students living in Surrey who are diagnosed with multi-sensory impairment; meaning they have:

- a diagnosed impairment of both their vision and hearing (and therefore also meet the criteria for involvement of PSS Deafness and Visual Impairment - home and school) that has a significant impact on their access to information and communication, and on safe movement in their environment.

- a diagnosis of CHARGE syndrome: a condition with a wide range of features including difficulties with hearing and vision.

Most of our work is with children/students in homes and educational settings in Surrey; some of which is a charged service.

Requests for involvement from PSS MSI (home and school) can be made by professionals from health, education, schools, social services and voluntary groups using this **Request for Involvement form**. The child's / student's most current ophthalmology and audiology report must be included with the request for involvement. If the child/student is living with CHARGE syndrome, the clinic report describing this must be included.

When PSS MSI (home and school) involvement is accepted, the level of support allocated to the child /student is determined by nationally agreed criteria.

Involvement ceases when the child /student no longer meets the above criteria (e.g. they are discharged by the audiology clinic because of hearing within normal limits - HWNL) or when they are no longer in a setting.

Involvement is reduced when the impact the child's/student's MSI has on access to information and communication and on safe movement is managed by the setting.

A further request for involvement, should it become appropriate, can be made at any time.