

# Oldham SEND IAS Service

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INFORMATION ADVICE SUPPORT SERVICE

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## ABOUT US

Oldham Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Information, Advice and Support (IAS) Service is a FREE confidential, impartial and independent service operated by POINT.

Oldham SEND IAS Service exists to help parents and carers of children and young people who have, or may have, a special educational need (SEN) and/or disability (aged 0-25 years) and young people (16+) themselves, in matters relating to their Education, Health or Social Care provision.

## WHAT WE OFFER

- Support services tailored to your individual needs and both personal and confidential.
- IAS through the EHC assessment and planning process, local policy and practice, the Local Offer, personalisation, Personal Budgets and the law on SEN and disability.
- Individual casework, representation and support in preparing for and attending meetings.
- Support on exclusions and also resolving disagreements, including mediation and tribunals.
- Empowering parents/carers and young people through signposting to local or national sources of advice, information and support.
- Links to local parent support groups and forums.
- Training on the law relating to SEN and disability, as it applies to education, health and social care, which can be provided to all education settings as well as statutory and voluntary agencies.
- Opportunities to improve and shape services through our SEND IAS Steering Group.

## HOW TO ACCESS

### **As a parent/carers or young person you can:**

Telephone or email our service directly for impartial advice and support.

### **As a professional:**

You can support the child/young person or parent/carers to contact us as our service is self-referral by service user only.

If you would like to know more about the service, you can visit our website or get in touch with us.



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