



Learning Disability and Autism Advisory Group – You said, we did



Autism diagnosis and support

You said...



- Make it easier for children and young people to be referred to autism services. It shouldn't rely only on school involvement.

- Transition to adult services is hard.

- People need to know what to expect from autism services- good communication. Consistency would help.



- People need information and support throughout the waiting and assessment process, as well as afterwards. This should include peer support and user-led groups

You also said...



Online appointments have been good for some people. Other people have found them hard.



People said there needs to be better preparation for face-to-face appointments.



Most people said there has not been enough support or communication during the pandemic



We did

We are helping the people who pay for services (called commissioners) to plan their diagnosis and support services.



We have set up the next advisory group meeting to look at how people at risk of crisis can be “flagged” early in life for support— dynamic support systems

