Who we are & what we do

Name of team or service:	Developmental Paediatrics
Agency:	Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust
Head of service:	Dr Lara Shaffer
Contact address:	Child Health HQ, Old Doctors Residence, Edgware Community Hospital, Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware, HA8 0AD
Contact phone no.:	020 8732 6420
Brief description:	A paediatrician is a fully qualified doctor who specialises in the care of children. 'Neurodevelopment' is about the medical assessment - and if necessary, long term medical management - of children whose development causes concern because of delay, disorder, or medical conditions.

Name of team or service:	Children's Physiotherapy
Agency:	Central London Community Health Care NHS Trust
Head of service:	Nikki Bennett
Contact address:	Oak Lane Clinic, Oak Lane, East Finchley, N2 8LT
Contact phone no.:	020 8349 7000
Brief description:	Children's Physiotherapists assess children from birth to 18 (or 19 in special school) in homes, clinics, mainstream and special schools. Conditions include neurological, developmental, orthopaedic, and disorders of posture and movement. Appropriate advice on activities and management as well as treatment programmes will be given to families, nurseries and school staff .These are reviewed as necessary and liaison with families and all professionals involved is paramount.

Name of team or service:	Children's Speech & Language Therapy
Agency:	East London NHS Foundation Trust
Head of service:	Mav Ghalley
Contact Address:	Children's Outpatients, Ground Floor, Edgware Community Hospital, Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware, HA8 0AD
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Brief description:	The Speech and Language Therapy Team aims to provide an effective and accessible speech and language therapy service to children with speech, language and communication and feeding difficulties so that they may achieve and maintain an optimum level of functioning. Speech and language therapy services are provided to all those who, following full assessment, are diagnosed as needing intervention and guidance. An assessment will include liaison with appropriate professionals and parents/carers. The service is provided in a setting which is most appropriate for the needs of the child and family. This includes health centres and clinics, children's centres, schools and units, hospitals and, when appropriate people's homes within the boundaries of Barnet.

Name of team or service:	Community Matrons – Special Needs [Health Visiting/School Nursing]
Agency:	Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust
Head of service:	Lesley Haigh
Contact address:	Oak Lane Clinic, Oak Lane, N2 8LT
Contact number:	020 8349 7056
Brief description:	The Community Matrons for Special Needs are experienced nurses and are part of the Barnet children with continuing needs teams. Health Visitors and School Nurses refer to them for advice and support to assess and plan care for children whose needs fall outside of the scope of universal services. They are involved in planning and delivering training to address identified gaps in the knowledge and skills base of the universal skill mix teams. They also provide training for early years, educational settings and others in the management of specific health conditions and other issues related to special needs. They act as a point of contact and liaison for multi – disciplinary colleagues. They also hold their own caseloads.

Name of team or service:	Children with Continuing Needs Care Team
Agency:	Central London Community Health Care NHS Trust
Head of service:	Pamela Mitcham
Contact address:	Oak Lane Clinic, Oak Lane, N2 8LT
Contact number:	020 8349 7066 / 7067
Brief description:	The children & Young People Continuing Care Team provides a service to those who have complex health needs. The team provides support in the form of individualised care packages and respite care to the children & young people with complex health needs and palliative care. The team is made up of qualified children's nurses and trained health care assistants. The team does not provide an emergency service. Office hours are Monday – Friday 09.00 – 17.00.

Name of team or service:	Children's Occupational Therapy ('Health' team)
Agency:	Central London Community Healthcare NHS Trust
Head of service:	Nikki Bennett
Contact Address:	Oak Lane Clinic, Oak Lane, East Finchley, N2 8LT
Contact phone no.:	020 8349 7000
Brief description:	Children's Occupational Therapy aims to provide children with a means by which they can function more successfully in their environment. It assists children in achieving their maximum potential in physical, perceptual and social areas of development. Therapy focuses on: • Activities of daily living, e.g. dressing, bathing, eating and drinking • School activities, e.g. pre-school skills, handwriting, scissor use - Play and leisure, e.g. access to developmental play opportunities

Name of team or service:	Early Support Programme
Agency:	LB of Barnet Children's Service, Inclusion Group, Complex Needs Division
Head of service:	Judith Gainsborough
Contact address:	Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London, N11 1NP
Contact phone no.:	020 8359 7624
Brief description:	Early Support aims to improve the quality, consistency and coordination of services for young disabled children and their families. Barnet Early Support is delivered through professionals from all agencies working with young children with complex needs taking on the role of Key Worker for families. Early Support aims to improve the information families receive about their child's condition and services available; improve communication between professionals, and between parents and professionals to reduce gaps and duplication of services; and to coordinate care so that parents can live more ordinary lives.

Name of team or service:	Pre-School Teaching Team
Agency:	LB of Barnet Children's Service
Head of service:	Sue Bills
Contact address:	Early Years Centre, Oakleigh School, Oakleigh Road North, Whetstone, N20 0DH
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Brief description:	The Pre-School Teaching Team is an early intervention service for children with complex special educational needs and disabilities. The children they see have to be under 5, live within Barnet and not attending a maintained school/nursery. The team provides specialist home teaching support, plus advice to families and early years settings the child may attend.

Name of team or service:	Disabled Children's Social Work Team
Agency:	LB of Barnet Children's Service, Complex Needs Division
Head of service:	Marcelle Dubow
Contact address:	Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London, N11 1NP
Contact phone no.:	020 8359 4246
Brief description:	The disabled children's social work team offers advice, information and support. They undertake assessments under the Children Act and other legislation so that a range of appropriate services, including home care, play/youth services and short breaks, may be provided to children with profound and multiple disabilities.

Name of team or service:	Specialist Team – Advisory Teachers
Agency:	LB of Barnet Children's Service, Complex Needs Division
Head of service:	Judith Gainsborough
Contact address:	Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London, N11 1NP
Contact phone no.:	020 8359 7624
Brief description:	The Specialist Team is a team of advisory teachers with specialist training and experience, who provide educational support to disabled children and young people, their families and educational settings. The Specialist Team covers the following areas: Autism Spectrum Conditions Hearing Impairment Physical Disability / Complex Medical Needs Visual Impairment HIST (Behaviour and Speech, Language & Communication Needs) BEAM (Barnet Early Autism Model)

Name of team or service:	Children's Occupational Therapy (Local Authority Team)
Agency:	LB of Barnet Children's Service, SEN Inclusion
Head of service:	Marcelle Dubow
Contact address:	Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, London, N11 1NP
Contact number:	020 8359 2000
Brief description:	Children's Occupational Therapy aims to provide children with a means by which they can function more successfully in their environment. It assists children in achieving their maximum potential in physical, perceptual and social areas of development. Therapy focuses on: • Advice on equipment such as seating, bathing or toileting • Advice on and advising on adaptations to a child's home environment.

*a multi-agency collaboration involving:
developmental paediatrics, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech & language therapy, community nursing, specialist teaching services early support.