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PPF NEWS AND INFORMATION

A date for your diary - our next event will be held on Friday **17th November 2017**. The theme is "**What to Expect in Plans - Needs, Outcomes & Provisions**".

This event will cover how parent/carers should be involved in these areas in education, health or care plans for our children. Look out for more details on our website details soon

SURVEYS, CONSULTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group has been consulting with parent/carers and other stakeholders to support the upcoming **re-procurement of services for children and young people in Devon**. The engagement feedback report has now been published on their website <https://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/your-ccg/children-and-young-people-100144>

Feedback is still being collected and the report will remain in draft until it is updated later in the year. During this time the CCG would be pleased to hear views about how well you feel this report reflects your feedback.

A million disabled people can and want to work but are being overlooked - it's time to change this through **Scope's Work With Me campaign**. Even if your children are still little, it's never too soon to join the campaign to improve employment prospects for people with disabilities

The Government's response to the **schools and high needs national funding formulae** consultations can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-funding-formula-for-schools-and-high-needs> The various documents that have been published explain the detail of the national funding formula, and how allocations of schools and high needs funding to local authorities are being calculated, including how the additional £1.3 billion announced in July is being distributed. This is a significant landmark, as there is now a much better basis for funding schools and children and young people with high needs. Many areas that have been underfunded for years will see increases of up to 3% per year.

The Secretary of State's statement to Parliament can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/justine-greening-statement-on-national-funding-formula>

Individual local authorities' allocations for 18-19 can be found in the 'NFF summary table' here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-funding-formula-tables-for-schools-and-high-needs>

OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION

Lifeworks is a local charity, working together with local community partners across South Devon and Torbay to enable learning disabled young people age 8-25 participate, enjoy and contribute to community life

Please [click here](#) to explore an evolving range of projects that aim to support the vision of local families, including youth clubs in Totnes for young people age 14-25 transitioning into adulthood; the Lifeworks Holiday Project providing short breaks for families across the holidays and Breaking the Barrier which to date has supported more than 1000 children and young people age 8-25 participate in adventure sport for the first time. Lifeworks welcome and encourage the participation of families from Devon and Torbay

This Autumn Lifeworks are working closely with Soundart Radio and the Branchline partners to CREATE A DISCO IN A WEEK at Hex Gym with DJ's dancers and digital artists + training Holiday Project participants as YOUNG BROADCASTERS as they create audio features for Fusion Lifestyle Leisure Centres as they try out AQUAFIT and SLOW FLOW YOGA + Dartrock Indoor CLIMBING CENTRE + we're going on a QUEST with creators at Torre Abbey. Details here : [Lifeworks](#)

PlayTorbay's half term programme is also available [PlayTorbay Half Term Programme](#)

All the activities are free and PlayTorbay have a team of highly trained workers skilled in playwork and youth work who are able to support young people on a one-to-one basis. There is a charge £20.00 per hour for this service. email jemma@playtorbay.org.uk or phone 01803 850157 for details

As a carer, you may be entitled to a **free flu jab** - check with your GP surgery

If you have had an experience (good or bad) that you would like to share with other parent/carers, please e-mail it to info@torbayppf.org.uk