

Autumn Edition 2026

Newsletter



Children's
Disability
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Team

North Tipperary Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT)

Managers Message

Welcome to the Autumn 2026 Edition of the North Tipperary Children's Disability Network Team (CDNT) Newsletter.

I hope you are finding our newsletter useful. Please do pop us an email if there are topics you would like to see us include.

Ann Somers
CDNT Manager



Update on Staffing and Waiting Times

We are delighted to let you know that we have two new Social Workers currently working their way through the recruitment process. Unfortunately however a number of our Occupational Therapists are leaving the team, we have limited access to Physiotherapy and access to Psychology remains our most significant challenge.

These challenges continue to impact our capacity to take children off the waiting list. Our Spraoi team (0-9 years) are currently taking children off the waiting list who were referred up to September 2023; The Sonas team (9-18 years) are currently taking children off the waiting list who were referred up to November 2023.

Your Family Network

Please join us at your next Family Network Meeting. This is an opportunity for us to share with you updates on the team, and for you to give us feedback.

When: 10th November at 7pm

Where: Virtual - MS Teams - <https://www.mwcds.ie/ntcs-events/>

Find out more about the Family Network Meeting Here:

A reminder that our Family Network are seeking to elect a new Family Representative - if you might be interested you can find more information here:



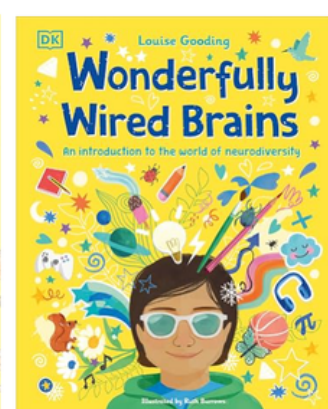
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Book Recommendations

Do you have a child aged between 8-12 years of age who is Neurodiverse?



Waiting List Initiative



We understand that waiting for services can be difficult and frustrating for families. We acknowledge that our waiting times are much longer than we would like.

Many parents who have attended our Family Network Meetings have told us that they would value more contact and support from our team while waiting for services.

We are therefore arranging a number of workshops for families of children waiting for our services. These will cover topics that families have told us are areas that are priorities for them. They include topics like sleep, toileting, and emotional regulation, among others. They are online.

We are you know about these workshops, and how you can book a place on them, via text. They will come to the phone number that we have on file for you, with a link to our website where you can find additional information about the workshop being offered and how to book a place. If you do not wish to click on the link in the text, you can visit the website www.mwcds.ie and go to the News and Events Tab, and click on the North Tipperary team name in the drop down. The details will be there once the text has been sent out.

We hope this initiative will provide some useful support, information and connection with our team while you are waiting for our services. Please be assured that we are continuing to do everything possible to reduce waiting times, fill vacant posts as quickly as we can, and advocate for additional resources to meet the growing demand for services.



Your Children's Disability Network Team's Current Vacancies

We currently have vacancies in Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Psychology. Vacant posts can be applied for at: <https://enableireland.ie/about-us/careers>

If there are topics that you would like to see included in our newsletter, please do let us know.

Individual Family Support Plan (IFSP)

The IFSP is a plan made by the family and the CDNT in partnership. The plan brings together the child's and family's needs, priorities and desired outcomes with the team's knowledge and expertise.

You can find out more about the IFSP here:



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