

Today's email includes:

- information on the delivery of specialist one to one and group interventions for children and young people in education settings
- information on the grant for mental health training for senior leaders in schools and colleges
- a reminder for all education settings on how to order additional test kit supplies

Delivery of specialist one to one and group interventions for children and young people in education settings

We know that COVID-19 has impacted on delivery of specialist services in education settings and, as a result, many have adjusted their delivery models during their recovery. We have worked with education and health partners, including the Royal Colleges and the Association of Educational Psychologists, Chartered Society of Physiotherapists, Association of Colleges, the National Sensory Impairment Partnership, the National Network of Parent Carer Forums and the Council for Disabled Children, to develop [guidance setting out the expectations for the delivery of specialist support for children and young people](#).

We are clear that education settings should welcome all specialist staff and facilitate their work with children and young people. This guidance aims to address any misconceptions

around what should be delivered and to provide clarity in three broad areas:

- ensuring full access to provision
- the safety precautions that should be considered
- the importance of working with families and carers

Grants for mental health training courses for senior leaders in schools and colleges

The Department for Education is offering a grant for a senior member of school or college staff to access quality assured training to implement an effective whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing in your setting.

Senior mental health lead training is relevant to all education settings, and courses are available to meet the learning needs and preferences of senior leads, whatever their level of experience, type of setting or location. All state-funded schools and colleges are eligible to apply for a training grant.

[Register](#) now to receive notification of when the grant application process opens.

Further information on the grant, eligibility criteria and how to apply can be found in the [guidance on senior mental health lead training](#).

Reminder for all education settings on how to order additional COVID-19 test kit supplies

It is important that you check your inventory of at-home and asymptomatic test site (ATS) test kits regularly to avoid running out of stock. If your stocks are low, you can re-order more test

kits via our [online ordering portal](#). Please remember, you need to order by 5pm each Tuesday to secure delivery the following week.

Please contact NHS Test and Trace on 119 for any issues or queries about the supply, ordering or delivery of test kits. The helpline is open 7am to 11pm, Monday to Sunday.

For all other enquiries about the rapid testing programme in education, please continue to contact the DfE COVID-19 helpline on 0800 046 8687. The helpline is open 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 10am to 6pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

The information below has not changed since our last update

Department for Education COVID-19 helpline

The [Department for Education COVID-19 helpline](#) and the PHE Advice Service (option 1) is available to answer any questions you have about COVID-19 relating to education settings and children's social care.

Department for Education guidance

Our guidance to support education providers, local authorities and parents during the COVID-19 pandemic can be accessed using the links below:

- [Guidance for early years and childcare providers](#)
- [Guidance for schools](#)
- [Guidance for further and higher education providers](#)
- [Guidance for local authority children's services](#)

- [Guidance for special schools and other specialist settings](#)

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