

*****DROP-INS W/C 08.01.24*****

Happy New Year and all the best from SIASS for 2024.

SIASS hopes you have had a restful festive break. We are continuing with our very successful drop-ins throughout 2024, providing parents, carers and young people weekly access to a qualified SIASS Officer, allowing for quicker, more timely and impactful support as and when needed.

We run two types of drop-ins: general SIASS ones for all queries relating to special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and neurodevelopmental drop-ins, specifically addressing issues relating to neurodiversity. These sessions are held online via Microsoft Team and in-person at alternative sites across the city.

Starting w/c 08.01.24 we have the following drop-ins available:

Monday 8th January, 3pm-5pm, neurodevelopmental online surgery, on Microsoft Teams

We have the following slots available to book:

3pm-3.30pm
3.30pm-4pm
4pm-4.30pm
4.39pm-5pm

These are specifically for parents and carers who have queries relating to a child or young person's possible or actual neurodiversity (for example, autism, ADHD, sensory processing disorder, Tourette's, etc).

You should access these sessions if your child is:

- waiting to be referred to the neurodevelopmental pathway
- is on the neurodevelopmental pathway under assessment
- has been turned down for a neurodevelopmental pathway assessment
- has a recent diagnosis (less than 6 months ago)
- has a diagnosis and is experiencing difficulties that relate specifically to their neurodiversity
- you feel your child may have neurodiversity and are unsure of next steps

To book a slot please e-mail steven.booth@salford.gov.uk stating the date and preferred time slot.

Tuesday 9th January, 11am-1pm, SIASS online surgery, on Microsoft Teams

We have the following slots available to book:

11am-11.30am
11.30am-12pm
12pm-12.30pm
12.30pm-1pm

These are for any issue relating to special educational needs and disabilities but NOT to do with neurodiversity.

To book a slot please e-mail steven.booth@salford.gov.uk stating the date and preferred time slot.

Friday 12th January, 10am-2pm, SIASS Drop-In, at Swinton Gateway (<https://www.salford.gov.uk/council-buildings-and-venues/gateway-centres/swinton-gateway/>)

Swinton Gateway
100 Chorley Road
Swinton
M27 6BP

This is an open session, first come first served. You cannot book a slot. Please note due to the busy nature of the surgeries slots are a maximum of 30 minutes long.
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Find out more about SIASS and what we do [here](#) and [here](#)

Salford's Emotional Health Service Directory: [Emotional Health Service Directory](#)

[SIASS video hub I mycity Directory \(salford.gov.uk\)](#)

Need more information around ANNUAL REVIEWS? Click [here](#)

Want to find out more about EHCPs and how to apply for one? Click [here](#)

Key contact details

[Here](#) are key contacts of services and professionals, working with children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities in Salford.

Contact LocalOffer@salford.gov.uk to request a service to be added.

Do you know about Salford's [Local Offer](#)? The Local Offer provides information on what support services are available in Salford for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities and their parents/carers. You can find answers to many questions on [here](#).

To refer yourself or a family to SIASS please complete our [online referral form](#)

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How are we doing? Let us know what your experience of SIASS is using our quick and simple Survey Monkey [here](#)

Are you a parent or carer who feels passionately about shaping how SEND services are run in Salford? Want to have your say? Why not ask me about the Parent Assembly!