

EHCP

Education Health Care Plans



Parent/Carer Guide - All you need to know

What is an Educational Health Care Plan? (EHCP)

A EHCP is a legally binding document that could support a young person from the age of 0 right through until they are 25.

The plan will identify educational, health and social care needs and highlight the support required for the young person for them to be able to realise their all-round potential in school/educational setting.



Why might a Young Person need an EHCP?

A child or young person who may have a disability, social or health care need that requires extra support within their educational setting. This could be that the setting cannot currently meet the needs of the pupil and need some support to do so.

The plan outlines the needs of the young person, provides funding for their setting, to have their needs met within the educational setting.

It is important to say that although a child may have a disability, social or health need they may not always require a EHCP as their needs are already being met either at SEN Support or through the Schools' universal offer.



Who can request an EHCP?

The Educational setting in which the young person attends, any professional involved with the family with parental consent and parent/carer can all request for an EHCP.

Fun Fact: A Young Person Can actually apply themselves from age 16!

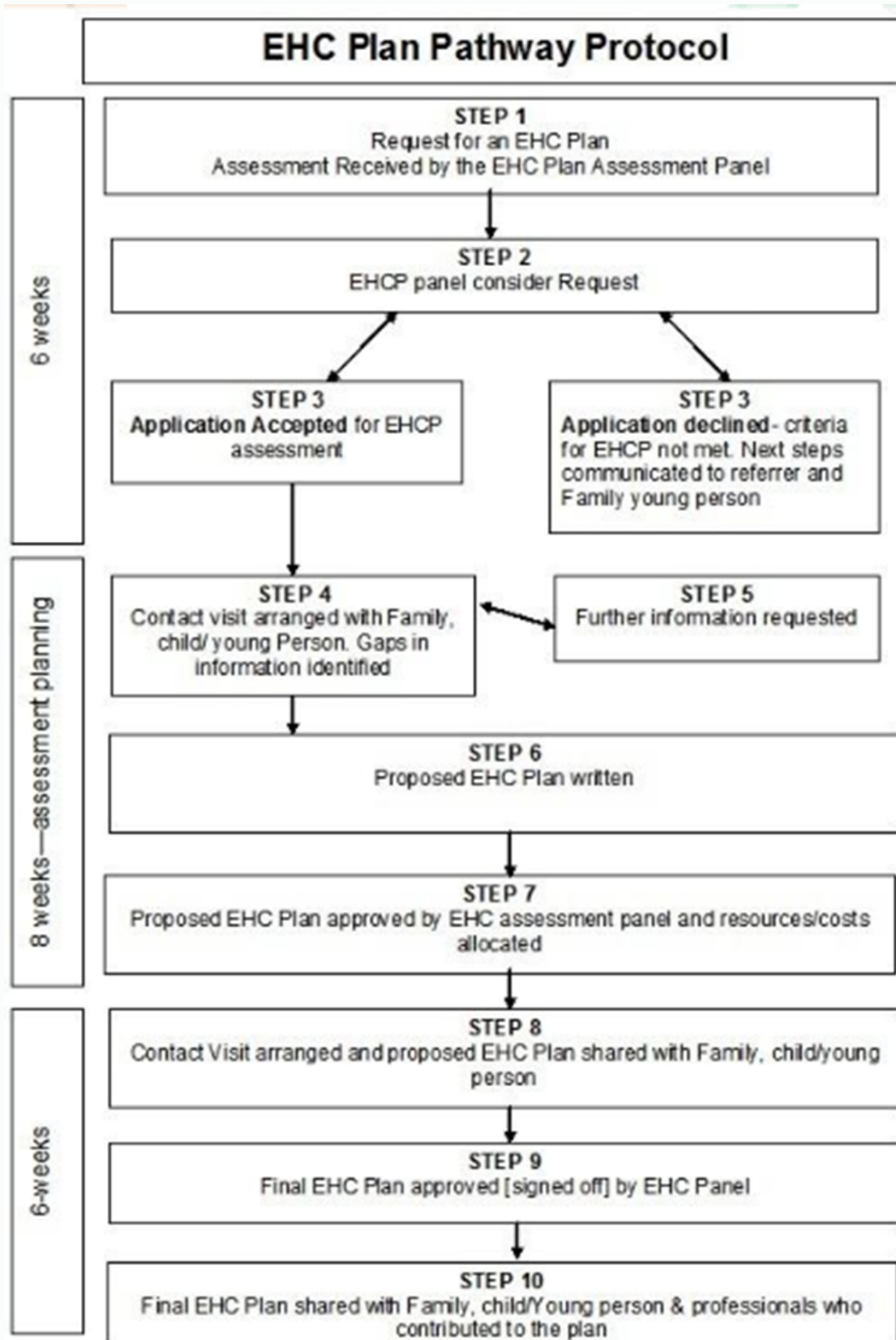
As a parent/carer you need to fill out:

- Application for EHC Assessment
- Parental Advice form
- All about me form

You can find all the forms on the Knowsley Local offer.
Scan the QR code below to take you directly to the
page:



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You will be told within 6 weeks if the EHCP has been declined or if there is more information required.

Knowsley SEND Team has a total of 20 weeks from the date they receive the request for the assessment to give you the final EHC plan.

Once you have been given the plan you have 15 days to speak to your caseworker to amend the plan or add anything in.

Please call the Knowsley SEND Team on: 0151 443 5145
If you need any support through the process or email:
SENDadmin@knowsley.gov.uk



If a Parent/Carer disagrees with the decision

You can challenge Knowsley SEND Team about:

- Our decision to not carry out an assessment (You have 2 months from the date of the letter)
- Our decision to not create an EHC plan
- The special educational support in the EHC plan
- The school named in the EHC plan

If you cannot resolve the problem with your local authority, you can appeal to the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Tribunal.



Annual Review Meetings

The EHCP will be reviewed annually by the school SENCO, Young Person, Parent/Carers, SEND Case worker and any other relevant professionals.

The meeting will review the progress towards the outcomes in the EHCP, discuss any changes in their needs and discuss any new needs that may be present. It will also give everybody involved with the child a chance to share their views, wishes and feelings about their education, health and overall care.

Encouraging your child to attend the meetings is crucial, their voice is the most important as it is their EHCP and they can say what is working for them and what may need changing.



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