

SEND Policy

Statement of Intent

Our SEND policy aims to outline how ABA Pathways supports and caters for all of our children and young people with SEN. We believe everyone has the right to an education which will support them to achieve their full potential. We aim to meet each individuals' educational, physical, social, emotional and care needs in a supportive environment, implementing bespoke learning programmes and behaviour support plans which are based on regular assessments and ongoing supervision by one of our trained consultants.

Definition of Special Educational Need (SEN):

An individual is considered to have a learning difficulty and require special educational provision to be made for them if they have:

- A significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age, or;
- A disability which prevents or hinders them from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age in mainstream schools

SEND at ABA Pathways:

ABA Pathways caters for children and young people from 2 – 19 years of age who have difficulty in accessing mainstream provision. The majority of the young people have diagnoses of autism and Educational Health Care Plans (EHCPs) which identify their needs and the provision required to meet these. Due to the age of some of our younger individuals, a diagnosis and EHC plan is not necessary for ABA Pathways to offer support if it can be identified through our assessments that there is a need there for these services.

Staff Training:

All staff working with the children and young people at ABA Pathways have access to regular training in strategies that will enable the best possible outcomes for those we work with. Each of ABA Pathways' consultants are Board Certified Behaviour Analysts (BCBAs)/UKBA(certs) and undergo regular, ongoing CPD to maintain this credential. Tutors undergo an extensive training course which allows them to qualify as a Registered Behaviour Technician (RBT), their work is also continuously supervised by one or more of ABA Pathways' consultants.

Quality Assurance

ABA Pathways will ensure that systems are in place to monitor the implementation of and compliance with this policy and accompanying procedures.

The directors will ensure action is taken to swiftly remedy any identified weaknesses within its SEND procedures.

Policy Dates

This policy was written and takes effect January 2023.

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