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Accessible Information for Parents with Learning Disabilities



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This booklet tells you about where to find information that may help you as a parent.

It is divided into different sections to help you find information you might be looking for.



There are sections about being pregnant and about looking after your child.



There are also sections for information that may help if social services are involved and if you are told you need to go to court.



A lot of the information is free to download.

The web links are included so that you can find the information and look at it.

Some books and leaflets cost money.

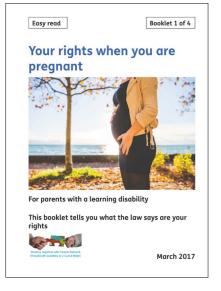
You might want to ask your social worker or nurse if they have a copy you can look at.

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OGL © Crown copyright 2023, Welsh Government, WG47204, Digital ISBN 978-1-80535-895-4 Mae'r ddogfen hon ar gael yn Gymraeg hefyd / This document is also available in Welsh Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth a galwadau ffôn yn Gymraeg / We welcome correspondence and telephone calls in Welsh If a book or leaflet costs money this sign will be put next to it.

1. Information about being pregnant

Your rights when you are pregnant



<u>Resources - Learning Disability</u> Wales (Idw.org.uk)

This tells you about your rights to services, advice, and support when you are pregnant.



Your rights when your baby is born

Resources - Learning Disability Wales (ldw.org.uk)

This tells you about your rights to healthcare and support when you give birth.

Ready Steady Baby! Easy Read: <u>Guidance for health professionals</u> - Publications - Public Health **Scotland**



This is a link to a set of leaflets that tell you about your health when pregnant, getting ready to give birth, and getting ready to give be a parent.

Ready, steady baby easy read!

My pregnancy, my choice



https://www.changepeople.org/ shop/products

This book is published by CHANGE. It tells you about all aspects of pregnancy from knowing that you are pregnant to the first days of your baby's life.

2. Information about being a parent and looking after your children



(nhs.wales)

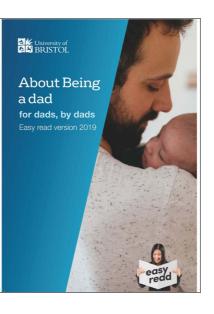
An easy read booklet about breast feeding.

Having a baby



This book can be ordered from **Beyond Words** (booksbeyondwords.co.uk)

This book tells you about pregnancy and giving birth.



for dads

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This is an easy read booklet about being a dad. It is written by dads with learning disabilities.

All about breastfeeding: for new mothers in North Wales

Breastfeeding booklets and other helpful information - Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

About being a dad, by dads,

You and your baby 0 - 1



https://www.changepeople.org/ shop/products

This book tells you about looking after your child until they are one year old.

It tells you about things like what they need to eat, keeping them healthy and safe, taking them for vaccinations, and getting them into a routine.

You and your child 1 – 5



https://www.changepeople.org/ shop/products

This book tells you about looking after your child when they are 1 to 5 years old.

It tells you about things like keeping them safe, training them to use the toilet, bedtimes and learning through play.

Fathers with learning disabilities



Fathers with learning disabilities -YouTube

This YouTube video shows dads with learning disabilities talking about being a dad.

Being a mum with learning disabilities



Being a mum with a learning <u>disability - YouTube</u>

This YouTube video shows mums with learning disabilities talking about being a mum.

Being a parent with learning difficulties



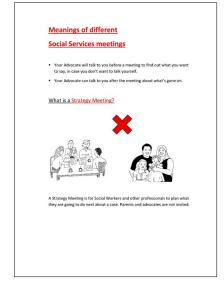
<u>Being a parent - parents with</u> <u>learning difficulties - YouTube</u>

This YouTube video shows parents with learning disabilities talking about being a parent.



3. Information about social services policies

Meanings of different social services meetings



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This booklet gives you information about different social services meetings.

These include strategy meetings, case conferences, and reviews.

(PLO)?

(Link to be added once document and location are finalised)

This leaflet tells you about the Public Law Outline (PLO) process.

It tells you what to expect and what support you might need.

What is a Public Law Outline

Your rights with social services



<u>Resources - Learning Disability</u> Wales (Idw.org.uk)

This booklet tells you about your rights to information, attending meetings, support and the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014

4. Information about going to court

and Wales



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Official Solicitor

The Official Solicitor

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This leaflet tells you about what solicitors do and how you can get a solicitor.

This booklet tells you about the role of the official solicitor.

Your rights when your child is taken away

<u>Resources - Learning Disability</u> Wales (Idw.org.uk)

This booklet explains your rights if your child is taken into care, fostered, with a special guardian or adopted.



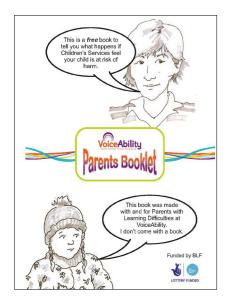
For parents with a learning disability This booklet tells you what the law says are you March 2017

How to use a solicitor in England

The official solicitor and how he or she can help you

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Voiceability Parents' Booklet



<u>Resources - Learning Disability</u> Wales (Idw.org.uk)

This booklet tells you about childcare proceedings, the child protection process, what may happen when you go to court, and the adoption process.



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This leaflet tells you about what happens in court.



It also tells you about what can be decided in court.

The Court and your child: when social workers get involved

