



Dear Sirs,

iNForm – Nerve Tumours UK Advisory Service

iNForm, is a unique Schools Advisory Service funded by Nerve Tumours UK, that provides support for children with NF, the medical group name for Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1), NF2-related-Schwannomatosis (NF2) and Schwannomatosis (SWN), who are experiencing difficulties at school.

The Specialist NF Nurse can arrange an informative “round the table meeting” with teachers, parents and any associated professionals, for example, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Speech and Language Therapists, and the Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service Teams.

The Specialist NF Nurse will be able to demonstrate how the condition directly affects the child, and how we can work together to ensure the child has the correct support.

A plan will identify strengths and weaknesses and help guide where extra support is needed. Children and families always feel much better understood as a result of our intervention and if there are any concerns, they will know they can always speak to a Specialist NF Nurse, who knows them and can help.

If an assessment is required in terms of an EHCP (Educational Health Care Plan) the process can be initiated after the round table discussions.

If your school is in a region of the UK, not covered by one of our Specialist Nurses, Nerve Tumours UK operates a National Helpline, who can make an initial call to your school, and arrange a virtual meeting.

Our support has a positive influence on the mental health of both the child and the family, as well as eliminating the stresses and demands on the school, itself. There is an undisputed improved outcome for children diagnosed with learning difficulties and this life altering genetic condition. Children, with the correct support, should be able to reach their potential in spite of being diagnosed with NF.

Schools can request an information pack by emailing info@nervetumours.org.uk or by calling **020 8439 1234**.

Yours sincerely,

Nerve Tumours UK