Support in the Early Years

Are you the parent or parental caregiver of a child aged 0-6 years old with a diagnosed or suspected learning disability and/or autism?

If so, you are invited to take part in our new ‘Support in the Early Years’ study. In this brief survey, we ask parents what types of services they have accessed to support them.

We are recruiting parents of children aged 0-6 years old (from birth until the day before their 7th birthday). Your child might have other conditions as well – as long as your child has a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of a learning disability (sometimes referred to as intellectual disability, developmental delay or special educational needs) and/or autism and lives in the UK, we are very keen to hear from you.

The Family Research Group at the University of Warwick, in collaboration with the charities Cerebra, Mencap, Ambitious about Autism and ENABLE Scotland, is exploring the experiences of families of young children with learning disability and/or autism in the UK, particularly related to their use and access to support services such as early intervention and early years support.

This study will further our understanding of what support families access in the early years, what may prevent them from accessing services, and what could help to improve access to early years support.

To find out more about the research, please follow the link below to our website, where you can complete the survey online or request a paper copy:

www.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/cedar/familyresearch/supportearlyyears/

If you have any questions or would like to know more about the study, please contact the research team by email: familyresearch@warwick.ac.uk or telephone: 02476 575 866