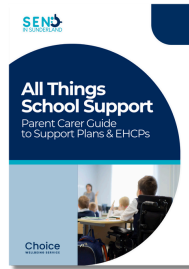
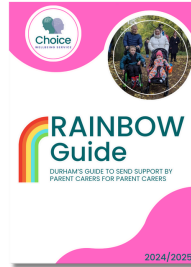
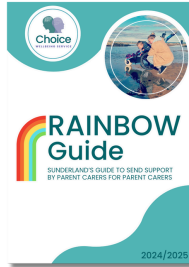


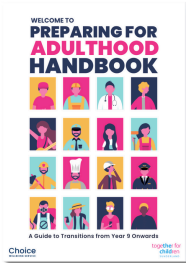
Here are just a few more guides we have available!



Guides on specific subjects



Rainbow Guides



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Your Child, Your Choice

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Sunderland Wheelchair Services

Sunderland's Wheelchair Assessment team provide advice and support for adults and children who wish to buy their own wheelchair or be provided with one through the scheme funded by the NHS.

If you are registered with a Sunderland GP and have a permanent, diagnosed medical condition or physical disability that means you have problems with your mobility that will last longer than six months, you may be eligible for provision of a wheelchair through the NHS scheme.

The team also provides equipment to the customers who are terminally ill with a short life expectancy.

This service is commissioned by the Integrated Care Board to provide assessments of seating and posture, that will lead to the provision of a manual or powered wheelchair or buggy or a personal wheelchair budget.

The service is required to work within a criteria that sets out the circumstances in which identified items of equipment will be provided, and this criteria is used throughout the northern region.

The service is supported to provide assessments and provision of powered wheelchairs and specialist seating systems by the Regional Rehabilitation Engineering Mobility Service (RREMS), who also oversee a range of contracts with providers of wheelchairs and accessories.

They offer assessment services in the clinic, in someone's own home or in schools and they also have an e mail address and telephone line that will connect you directly with our service.



The service regularly keeps in touch with their customers through a telephony solution that regularly reaches out to people who have received a service, find out whether they would like a review of their equipment.

Although they do not provide wheelchairs for children who are under 2 year old but they can connect you with the Community Therapy Teams who may be able to assist with mobility problems.

The service does not provide ramps, wheelchair accessible vehicles or mobility scooters, but they can connect you with the Community Therapy Teams who may be able to assist.

Sunderland Wheelchair services do not directly provide wheelchair repairs, this service is provided by **Ross Care** who can be **contacted on 0191 415 5151**

Personal wheelchair budgets

A personal wheelchair budget is a resource available to support people's choice of wheelchair, either within NHS commissioned services or outside NHS commissioned services. Personal wheelchair budgets enable postural and mobility needs to be included in wider care planning and can support people to access a wider choice of wheelchair.

Since 2 December 2019, people who access wheelchair services, whose posture and mobility needs impact their wider health and social care needs, have a legal right to a personal wheelchair budget.

The legal right covers people who are referred or already registered and meet the eligibility criteria of their local wheelchair service, when they require a new wheelchair either through a change in clinical needs or in the condition of the current chair.

for more information:

