

## Information Sheet

<b>Title of group/course</b>	<b>HELP! Programme</b>
<b>Which service is Responsible for the Groups?</b>	<b>The National Autistic Society</b>
<b>Description of Group (Support offered and/or specific target group)</b>	<p>HELP Provides support for parents and carers of school aged children who have a recent diagnosis of an ASD. The seminars cover:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An Introduction to the programme</li> <li>• Understanding ASD and your child's diagnosis</li> <li>• Communication and social interaction</li> <li>• Education issues</li> <li>• Legislation and rights, partnerships and support networks.</li> </ul>
<b>Duration of group</b>	<p>Available over 1 or 3 day seminars</p> <p>There HELP 2 seminars also that run over 1 day and are for parents with some experience of ASD</p>
<b>Is there a Referral system and/ or Restrictions on work carried out? e.g. age group/geographical area</b>	<p>The programmes are for parent/carers of children aged between 5 and 14.</p> <p>Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.</p>
<b>Are Crèche facilities available?</b>	
<b>Who do I contact to find out more?</b>	<p>Jan Fuller 0191 568 0732</p> <p>or</p> <p>Wendy 0191 568 0731</p>
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