Help with your application to Family Fund

This guide is to help you get ready to fill out our application form. It gives you the information that we need, about your child's support needs.

Income:

- If you receive benefits, we need you to tell us which benefits you receive from the list below.
- You will need to upload a copy of your benefit award letter, or a screenshot of your award notification.
- If you don't receive any of these benefits, it's ok, just tell us about the money you earn from working.
- We need to see a copy of your last three months of pay slips or tax returns.



Disability payments:

- We ask you about disability payments for your child and what rate they are awarded at.
- These could be Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence payment (PIP). In Scotland these are called Child Disability payment or Adult Disability payment.
- You'll need to upload a copy of your benefit award letter, or a screenshot of your award notification showing your full names.
- Don't worry if you don't receive disability payments, you can still apply.



Education and learning:

- You'll need to tell us about where your child learns and the support they receive.
- We'll need to see any plan you have in place to support your child's education, in full.
- Don't worry if you don't have one of these documents, just complete the questions as fully as you can.

These are the plans you need to tell us about, if you have them:

Support plan - has more than one agency involved

- Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Co-ordinated Support Plan (CSP)
- Special Educational Needs Statement (SEN)
- Independent Development Plan (IDP)

Education plan –for support needed at nursery, school or college

- Education plan
- Individual education plan
- Additional Support plan
- Personal Learning plan
- Child or young person plan



Medical conditions:

- We'll ask you about any medical conditions your child has, please tick all that apply.
- For each one you tick, we'll ask you if your child has had a diagnosis and, if so, what date that was given.
- Don't worry if your child's condition isn't listed, there
 is space for you to tell us about your child's medical
 condition or conditions at the end of the section.



Treatments and therapies:

- We need you to let us know what treatments and therapies your child may be getting. Please tick the ones that apply.
- Don't worry if your child's treatment or therapy isn't listed, there is space for you to tell us at the end of the section. Please tell us as much as you can.
- You should also tell us if your child has needed to stay in hospital because of their condition.
- We will then ask you to tell us about any prescribed medicine your child takes.

Communication:

- We'll ask if your child uses any aids or has support to help with their hearing, speaking, listening or understanding.
- Please tell us of any other difficulties your child has with communication at the end of the section.
- Please complete this as fully as possible.



Personal care:

- We need you to tell us about the support your child needs with personal care, day or night.
- By personal care, we mean things like incontinence, using specialist equipment or physical support.
- Tell us if your child needs supervision and support when out and about, or needs help to engage socially or take part in social and leisure activities.

Need further support?

Check out our frequently asked questions at:

www.familyfund.org.uk/grant-faqs

Speak to a member of our team:

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