



Avonreach

Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions

Avonreach Academy Trust

This document sets out the regulations for the MAT and member academies.

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Our commitment

The trust board of Avonreach Academy Trust has a duty to ensure arrangements are in place to support pupils with medical conditions. The aim is to ensure that all pupils with medical conditions, in terms of both physical and mental health, receive appropriate support allowing them to play a full and active role in school life, remain healthy, have full access to education (including school trips and physical education) and achieve their academic potential.

Avonreach Academy Trust believes it is important that parents/carers of pupils with medical conditions feel confident that the schools provide effective support for their child's medical condition, and that pupils feel safe in the school environment.

There are also social and emotional implications associated with medical conditions. Pupils with medical conditions can develop emotional disorders, such as self-consciousness, anxiety and depression, and be subject to bullying. This statement aims to minimise the risks of pupils experiencing these difficulties.

Long-term absences as a result of medical conditions can affect educational attainment, impact integration with peers, and affect wellbeing and emotional health. Individual school policies contain procedures to minimise the impact of long-term absence and effectively manage short-term absence.

Some pupils with medical conditions may be considered to be disabled under the definition set out in the Equality Act 2010. The trust has a duty to comply with the Act in all such cases.

In addition, some pupils with medical conditions may also have SEND and have an education, health and care plan (EHCP) collating their health, social and SEND provision. For these pupils, compliance with the DfE's 'Special educational needs and disability code of practice: 0 to 25 years' and the school's SEND Policy will ensure compliance with legal duties.

To ensure that the needs of our pupils with medical conditions are fully understood and effectively supported, we consult with health and social care professionals, pupils and their parents/carers.

School Policies can be found here:

- [Orchard Primary & Pre-School](#)
- [Norton Juxta Kempsey](#)
- [Inkberrow Primary School](#)
- [Pershore High School](#)