

School Nursing and Health Visiting Service

We would like to take the opportunity to remind you that the School Nursing and Health Visiting service has continued to operate through the Covid-19 pandemic.

- While many of our contacts are now taking place via phone or video conference, we are offering some face to face appointments where required and have continued to accept referrals into the service.
- Our Public Health Nursing hubs and the ChatHealth texting services have remained operational and families and professionals can call or email our duty clinicians for information, advice and support.
- At the current time we are mindful that there may be children and young people who are reintegrating back into education or considering the safety of doing so and School Nurse support and involvement in the risk assessment process may be helpful.
- Support via our mental health and wellbeing pathway may also be beneficial for children and young people due to transition who, for various reasons may find this difficult, especially if they have not been attending school since lockdown commenced. Where possible it would be good to pre-empt this and offer earlier intervention.

We would be grateful if we can all raise parents and young people's awareness about our service and how they can access us so that they are able to make contact directly as needed. To support this, we have updated our Primary and Secondary Information sheets and shared the ChatHealth poster.

Please find below the contact telephone numbers and email addresses for each of the areas.

Exeter and Crediton area	rde-tr.exeterphnhub@nhs.net	T: 0333 234 1902
South and West Devon (Teignbridge, South Hams and Tavistock area)	rde-tr.southernphnhub@nhs.net	T: 0333 234 1901
North Devon, Torridge and Okehampton area	rde-tr.northernphnhub@nhs.net	T: 0333 234 1904
East Devon, Tiverton and Cullompton area	rde-tr.easternphnhub@nhs.net	T: 0333 234 1903