

School Nursing Service video transcript

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We are the School Nursing Service. We provide support to children and young

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people who attend state schools, free schools and academy schools in the Bracknell Forest,

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Wokingham, Reading, and West Berkshire. Our support also extends to parents and carers.

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We quite often get confused with the school nurse or first aider in school, but they are generally

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not qualified nurses and we are not the same service. We are not based in schools. We are

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based in community settings and visit schools to see children and young people following

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referral for health advice and support. We work closely with, and can support referrals to,

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services and professionals involved in children's healthcare, such as mental health services,

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audiologists, dietitians and social care. As part of the National Childhood Measurement Programme,

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we measure the height and weight of children in Reception and Year Six. And in some schools,

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we can also do sight and hearing checks. To access our service, you can refer your child, or young

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people can refer themselves. Other professionals may also suggest a referral to us. Our referral

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process can be found on our web page. We are not an emergency service and operate 9am. to 5pm,

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Monday to Friday, except bank holidays. If you need help, advice, or information,

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check our website or use our confidential ChatHealth text service. For more urgent concerns,

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please contact 111. In an emergency, call 999 or go to the nearest Accident and Emergency.

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You can find more information about the School Nursing Service and what we offer on our web page.