

Policy Briefing May 2020

Issue	Updates
<p>Updates around SEND guidance COVID-19</p> <p>Modifications to the Children and Families Act 2014</p> <p>Phased reopening of schools</p>	<p>The government has announced temporary changes to the law on Education, Health and Care (EHC) needs assessments and plans, with the aim of giving local authorities, health commissioning bodies, education settings and others who contribute to these processes more flexibility in responding to the demands placed on them by coronavirus.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-the-law-on-education-health-and-care-needs-assessments-and-plans-due-to-coronavirus</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-educational-and-childcare-settings-to-prepare-for-wider-opening-from-1-june-2020</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings</p>
<p>The Women and Equalities Committee Inquiry: Impact that the Coronavirus – and measures to tackle it - is having on people with protected characteristics under the Equality Act</p>	<p>http://www.nnpf.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Covid-19-impact-on-people-with-protected-characteristics-Inquiry-NNPCF-response-April-2020.pdf</p>

<p>The Education Select Committee is looking at how the outbreak of COVID-19 is affecting all aspects of the education sector and children’s social care system and will scrutinise how the Department for Education is dealing with the situation</p>	<p>https://committees.parliament.uk/work/202/the-impact-of-covid19-on-education-and-childrens-services/</p> <p>Closes 31st May 2020.</p> <p>Please send your comments to Consultations@nnpfc.org.uk</p>
<p>Public Accounts Committee has published its review into SEND</p>	<p>https://committees.parliament.uk/work/35/support-for-children-with-special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/publications/</p>
<p>SEN Transport</p>	<p>LGSCO upheld complaint against Bromley SEND transport policy</p> <p>https://www.lgo.org.uk/decisions/education/school-transport/19-000-391</p>
<p>Latest SEN2 Data has been published</p>	<p>https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/education-health-and-care-plans</p>