

Social Communication Pathway (SCP) Post-Diagnostic Groups (PDGs)

These are free workshops and all parents/carers of children or young people who have received a diagnosis of Autism from Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (MFT) are encouraged to attend.

Workshops are as follows:

Autism and Wellbeing

Information about autism; what being autistic might mean for your child/young person; factors that impact wellbeing and approaches to support this; how to access further help. Delivered by SCP mental health professionals

Sensory Workshop

Information about sensory differences amongst neurodiverse children and young people and how they can be supported at home and in school. Delivered by Occupational Therapists

Communication Workshop

Information about how to support the development of language and communication and what children might be communicating by their behaviour. Delivered by Speech and Language Therapists.

Understanding and Working with the Education System

Information about the educational and support needs of autistic children and young people and SEND processes. Delivered by Educational Psychologists with representatives from SENDIASS and Manchester Parent Carer Forum.

"... enjoyable, explained well, great interaction between parents, great recommendations."

Parent

The series of workshops takes place each month of the school year and are split into primary and secondary age range. In Feb. and March they will take place at the Millennium Powerhouse, Moss Side M14 4SL, but in due course, the SCP aim to run sessions in locations in Manchester North / Central / South.

Parents/Carers can sign up to separate sessions – i.e. they do not have to do the series 'in one go'.

How to enrol on a session

Parents/carers can sign up for all sessions on the Parent Carer Forum website under 'Upcoming Events'

<https://manchesterparentcarerforum.org.uk/>

Remaining dates for Spring 2024 are below. Dates for the summer term will be posted on the MPCF website. Time: 10 - 2

February 2024 Primary	
Autism and Wellbeing	Thursday 1 st
Sensory	Thursday 8 th
Communication	Thursday 15 th
Education	Thursday 29 th

March 2024 Secondary	
Autism and Wellbeing	Thursday 7 th
Sensory	Thursday 14 th
Communication	Thursday 21 st
Education	Thursday 28 th

April 2024 Primary	
Autism and Wellbeing	Wednesday 17 th
Sensory	Thursday 18 th
Communication	Wednesday 24 th
Education	Thursday 25 th