

Caring for our Children

Care for a challenge?

We urgently need carers for...

Foster Care (Disability)

Caring full or part-time for disabled children with complex needs.

Share the Care

Caring for disabled children for short, regular periods e.g. one weekend per month.

Befriending (Disability)

Spending time with a disabled child for a few hours on a regular basis.

You'll receive preparation, training, support, fees and allowances. As a full-time specialist foster carer, you could even earn the equivalent of a full-time wage – It could be the career change you've been looking for!

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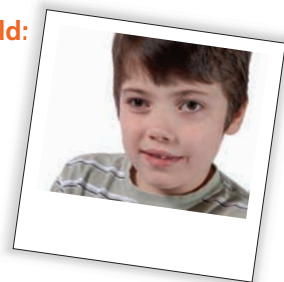
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The children:

They vary from toddlers to teenagers and display a wide range of disabilities and behaviours, from physical and learning disabilities to autism, communication disorders and seizure disorders. They need extra special care and stimulation to develop their potential. It's a challenge, but could be one of the most rewarding things you'll ever do!

Lots of different people can provide care for a disabled child:

- you must be over 21 years old
- you can be single, married or part of a long-term relationship
- you can be a tenant or homeowner
- you might have children of your own, or you might not
- you don't need to be well-off or in work.

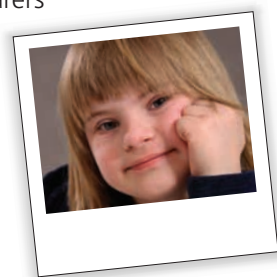


What we need from you:

- experience of caring for children and enthusiasm to help young people
- an understanding or experience of disability
- a spare room in your home
- an adult at home or available out with school hours to support the child
- willingness to work with parents, social workers and other professionals
- energy, patience, commitment and a sense of humour!

What we offer:

- a weekly fee of up to £361 for full-time specialist care (pro-rata for part-time)
- a daily fee of up to £25 for Share the Care
- an hourly fee of £5.63 for Befriending (maximum four hours)
- the chance to meet and share your experiences with other carers
- generous maintenance allowances for the child
- comprehensive preparation and ongoing training
- high quality professional support.



If you think you can meet the special challenges that caring for a disabled child brings, get in touch today and make a difference:

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