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One Minute Guide:

Redbridge Connexions Service

What is this about?

The aim of this One Minute Guide (OMG) is to provide details of the services provided to Redbridge vulnerable young people aged 13- 19 (up to 25 for those with additional needs) by Redbridge Connexions Service.

What is the Service?

The Service is a contracted service which provides Information, Advice and Guidance and targeted support to vulnerable 13-19 year olds, (13-25 in the case of those with LLD). Connexions works with other agencies to provide support that young people can access and receive assistance in dealing with any issues that are barriers to achieving their learning potential.

The Service is responsible for tracking all young people in years 12 – 14 and to reduce the numbers of those who are not in education, employment or training (NEET).

The Connexions Personal Adviser role is to:

- Provide Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) and support to get vulnerable young people into Education, Employment or Training (EET) and to sustain them in EET
- Agree an action plan with each young person
- Identify barriers to progression and address/refer appropriately
- Track the progression of young people
- Implement the "September Offer" where every young person leaving year 11 and 12 has the offer of a place in education, employment or training
- Connexions Personal Advisers should be included and where appropriate be invited to pathway reviews and Team Around The Child Meetings
- Develop a Section 139a Assessment for those young people with additional needs who are leaving school/college and moving into other education or training.

How is the Service delivered?

Connexions Personal Advisers work with young people in schools and other partner agencies including the Youth Offending and Targeted Prevention Services, Children's Centres, the Children Living Away From Home service and Training Providers. Personal Advisers also work with young people in The Connexions Centre which is based in Broadway Chambers, 1 Cranbrook Road, Ilford, Essex. IG7 4JB, Telephone 020 8504 9567.

What responsibilities do schools have?

The responsibility to deliver universal careers education, advice and guidance rests with schools and this is delivered across Redbridge in a variety of ways.

How do I find out more?

Further information on the Redbridge Connexions Service can be found at http://www2.redbridge.gov.uk/cms/contact_pages/c/connexions.aspx