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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

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Thank you for your request for information relating to Auditory Processing Disorder.

You have requested the following information:

1. Do you have a policy supporting APD? If so, could you please refer us to it on your website, or send us a copy.

No.

2. Do you have a Sensory Support team, Hearing Impaired/HI team or Teacher of the Deaf, or equivalent?

Yes.

3. If so, do they follow NatSIP guidelines regarding the support of APD within the school setting?

Yes.

4. When recommendations are made by a professional for a learner with APD, do you provide and support any recommended equipment, e.g., FM systems?

Due to the complexity of APD and the coexistence with other conditions the Sensory Team follow the NDCS position and support children with a diagnosed hearing loss who also have AP

difficulties.

The Sensory Team do not support children with APD and typical hearing levels. Children with a diagnosed hearing loss and APD are added to caseload.

If children have typical hearing and a recognised hospital diagnosis of APD from a Multidisciplinary team the Sensory Team could offer a one- off visit to school to explain the challenges facing the child, to support the management of equipment if provided and signpost schools to MESH guides.

If the child has not got a recognised diagnosis of APD and has typical hearing levels the Sensory Team would suggest parents go to their GP and ask for a referral to BCH Audiology department.

5. Would the LA expect the educational setting to provide and support FM systems? If so, how?

In line with The Equality Act 2010, Coventry City Council would expect schools to make reasonable adjustments to support the needs of all pupils.

6. Would you like to consider adding APD Support UK to your local offer?

Yes.

I look forward to hearing from you. Under new GDPR legislation, you have the right to choose whether to be included on our list of supportive local authorities. Please inform us should you wish to be included.

Yes.

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