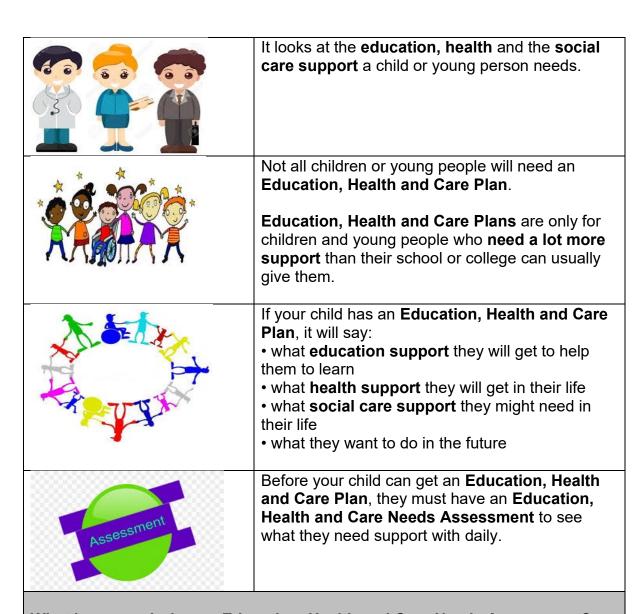
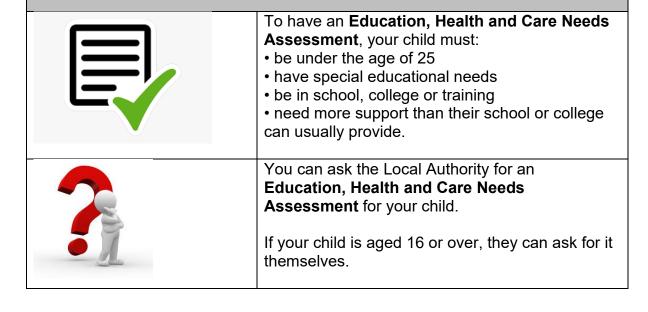
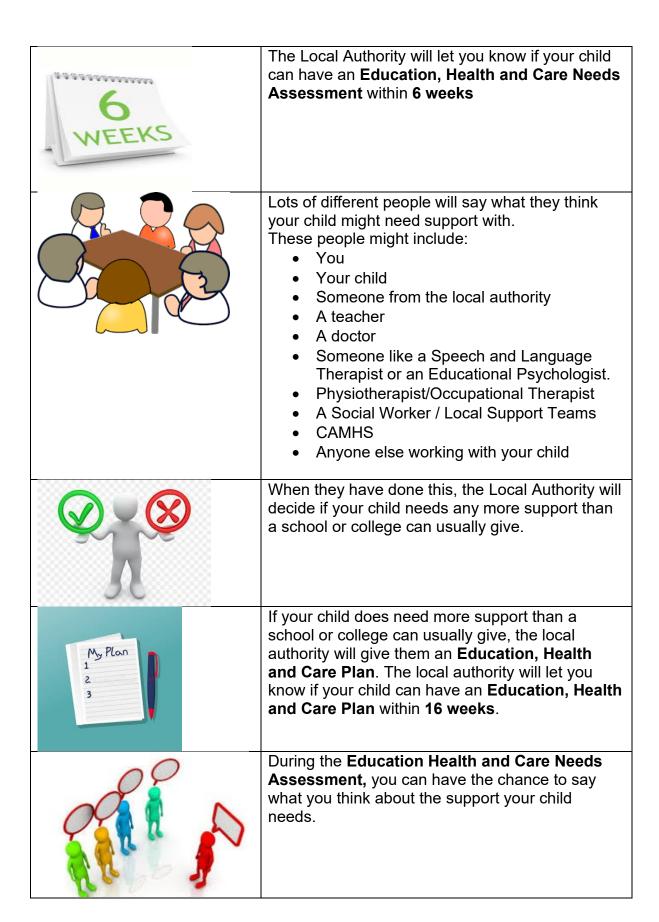
Easy Read Guide for parents and young people re EHCP process further to the changes made by the Government in 2014 to the way children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities are supported.

	Children and young people who have special educational needs and disabilities can now get this support for longer. 0-25 years
	The government wants children and young people and their parents to have more say about the support they need.
	If your child has special educational needs , a school or college will look at how they can support them. They will look at: • what support your child needs • what they can do to give your child the support they need.
SCHOOL	The school or college will keep looking at the support they give your child and if it is enough to help them to learn. Your child might need different sorts of support at different times.
SURRORE	For most children and young people with special educational needs , the support that a school or college can give is usually enough to support them to learn.
What is An Education, Health and Care Plan?	
A N	An Education, Health and Care Plan is a document that says what support a child or young person who has special educational needs should have.



What happens during an Education, Health and Care Needs Assessment?





	If you need any support when your child is having an Education , Health and Care Needs Assessment , you can ask for an independent supporter to help you.
?????	You can have your say about what is put in your child's Education , Health and Care Plan . You may be asked things about your child, like: • What you think they might want to achieve when they are older • Whether you think their Education , Health and Care Plan will give them the support they need.
FUTURE	You can also help make decisions about things like: • the school or college your child might want to go to • whether you want to use a personal budget for some of the support in your child's Education , Health and Care Plan .
	If your child is aged 16 or over, they will be the main person making these decisions unless they lack capacity to do so.
	If your child is under 16 years old, you will be the main person making decisions about your child's support. They should still be asked to have their say about their support, wishes and feelings
20 weeks	It will take up to 20 weeks for your child to get an Education, Health and Care Plan if they need one.
1year	The local authority must review your child's Education , Health and Care Plan every year. (every 6 months for u5 years olds)