

# EDUCATION OF PUPILS WITH MEDICAL NEEDS

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# PUPILS WITH MEDICAL NEEDS:

- Long term conditions include Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Epilepsy, Congenital conditions
- Temporary medical needs as result of accident, injury, recent surgery, acute illness
- Pregnancy
- Mental health needs where pupil is under the care of a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at Chatham House or exceptionally Shirle Hill or NGH Sheffield



### Meeting the needs of the pupils

In ensuring access and achievement for all these pupils we are committed to:

- Continuity of education and every opportunity to reach their full potential
- Partnership working between schools, parents, health professionals, alternative providers and other agencies
- Schools remaining responsible and engaged with pupils unable to attend as a result of their medical condition
- Pupils being able to remain in their mainstream school with appropriate levels of support and
- Re-integration to school is carefully phased and planned in consultation with medical services, access and health & safety



### **Provision in School**

#### PUPILS WITH LONG TERM NEEDS

- ❖MAINSTREAM support from allied health professionals, specialist equipment, school nurse, care plans. If statemented then additional support from the funds delegated to school
- ❖ LEA RESOURCED UNITS Winterhill School, primarily those with physical difficulties
- Anston Hillcrest, Speech and Language Unit for primary children
- ❖ SPECIAL SCHOOL Newman
- Some Hill Top and Kelford pupils will have significant medical needs



- Rotherham MBC has a direct responsibility towards providing a suitable education for those with medical needs unable to attend school
- Our duties are outlined in the EOTAS policy presented to members in October 2004
- Details of the provision available through HTHTS is detailed in the RMBC Policy, "Education of Children with Medical Needs who are unable to attend school", updated and agreed with members in February 2004



#### PROVISION for pupils unable to attend school:

HTHTS – Hospital Teaching and Home Tuition Service, based at Rotherham District General provides:

Teaching for those in hospital, close liaison with schools

Home Tuition on discharge from hospital, for those with medical needs absent for more than 15 school days.

Maple House – Secondary, 12 places, therapeutic programme for those with mental health needs. Consultant referral



access mainstream



HTHTS - In school year 2003-04:
203 Pupils received tuition in hospital
47 received home tuition
18 attended Maple House
NEWMAN SCHOOL - Numbers reducing
as more pupils with medical needs can