



Oxford Health
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Individual Support and Placement Service for Youth (IPS - Y)

Our education support service

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What we do

- ✔ IPS-Y explores employment and education for those aged 14-25.
- ✔ We help individuals to gain support in education if they are struggling.
- ✔ We help individuals to find new, accredited education courses.
- ✔ We combine personalised employment support, mental health services, and skill development to enhance job prospects for young individuals facing mental health challenges.
- ✔ The program aims to break down barriers, foster resilience, and empower youth in achieving meaningful employment or education, contributing to their overall well-being.

What support looks like

- Liaising with your education provider to discuss support, including Educational Health Care Plans and adjustments for learning and assessments.
- Raising awareness with your education provider around mental health
- Supporting you to keep your place on your current course.
- Supporting you to find a suitable accredited education course.
- Writing Personal Statements/ applications.
- Interview preparation.
- Exploring funding options for further study.
- Explore how further education might impact benefits.
- Thinking about what information you might want to share about your mental health.
- Discussing whether any adjustments are needed when studying begins.
- Support settling in when you start the course

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Your employment specialist can assist you with:

- ✔ Creating and tailoring a CV
- ✔ Job searching
- ✔ Job applications
- ✔ Interview preparation and practice
- ✔ Sharing information about your mental health with the employer (if you wish to do this)
- ✔ Supporting employer discussions (if you want us to)
- ✔ Staying well in work
- ✔ Obtaining benefit advice

What our clients think

"I feel listened to and am getting the help and advice I need."

"I feel very lucky to receive the support."

"The service had been of a great support for me to go back to the society."

"My IPS worker took time to understand who I was and what I wanted. They then came up with thoughtful suggestions and ideas for work that were well fitted to my needs and wishes. They checked in regularly and offered practical and compassionate support."

Write to us

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Accessibility

Patient information leaflets are available on our website:
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Feedback

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Email PALS@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk

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