

# Aiming High for Disabled Children

## Making things better for disabled children and their families



### More money for disabled children's services

From 2008 to 2011 there will be more money for disabled children, young people and family services.

This is what some of the money will be used for

- 1. **£370 million for short breaks.** This means more disabled children and young people can take a short break, do new things and make more friends
- 2. **£35 million for childcare.** This means disabled children and young people will get better care
- 3. **£19 million for transition support.** This means better services for disabled young people as they grow up
- 4. **£5 million for parent forums.** This will help parents tell local authorities how to make services better



### More information

Aiming High for Disabled Children is on this website [www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/ahdc](http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/ahdc)

To get the Aiming High for Disabled Children bulletins visit [www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/ahdc](http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/ahdc) You will get these as an email.

If you have anything you want to ask us or have any ideas, contact the Aiming High for Disabled Children team at [ahdc.implementation@dcsf.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ahdc.implementation@dcsf.gsi.gov.uk)





## Introduction

Aiming High for Disabled Children is a new plan from the Government to help disabled children and their families get the support and chances they need to live ordinary family lives.



The Government is going to use Aiming High for Disabled Children to give more money to services for disabled children.

This is because the Government knows that there are lots of families of disabled children finding it really hard to get the support they need.



### The Government wants to

1. put the needs of all disabled children, young people and their families first
2. help professionals working with disabled children, young people and their families give the right kind of support
3. give more money to make services better for disabled children, young people and their families



## The Aiming High for Disabled Children programme will

- Give disabled children, young people and their families more of a say in their local services
- Make sure disabled young people have better support as they grow older
- Give parents and carers the right support at the right time
- Give disabled children, young people and their families more chances to talk about what they want and need



## Why are these changes happening?

The Government talked to disabled children and their families to find out what they wanted. They said

- We want more short breaks
- We need better childcare
- Young people need more support as they become adults

