



Acronyms Used within Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder

ADHD: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

ASD: Autism Spectrum Disorder

CAMHS: Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

CCG: Clinical Commissioning Groups (usually within NHS)

EHC: Education, Health & Care

EHCP: Education, Health & Care Plan

EP: Educational Psychologist

Four Areas of Need: Communication & Interaction,
Cognition & Learning, Social,
Emotional & Mental Health Difficulties,
Sensory and/or Physical Difficulties

HI: Hearing Impairment

LA: Local Authority

LSA: Learning Support Assistant

MLD: Moderate Learning Difficulty

MSI: Multi-Sensory Impairment

OT: Occupational Therapy/Therapist

PD: Physical Disability

PMLD: Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties

PR: Parental Responsibility

PT: Physiotherapy/Physiotherapist

SALT/SLT: Speech & Language Therapy/Therapist

SEN: Special Educational Needs

SENCO: Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator

SEND: Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

SENDCo: Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Co-ordinator

SENDIAS: Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Information, Advice and Support Service

SLCN: Speech, Language & Communication Needs

SLD: Severe Learning Difficulties

SpLD: Specific Learning Difficulties

TA: Teaching Assistant

VI: Visual Impairment