

MEDEQUIP4KIDS PLEDGES CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

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Children's healthcare charity MedEquip4Kids is continuing its commitment in 2016 to improve children and young people's mental health by providing resources for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) across the UK. Since last year the charity has raised over £54,000 for 90 CAMHS teams across the country.

The charity met recently with Luciana Berger, MP for Liverpool Wavertree and Shadow Minister for Mental Health, who says: "Many CAMHS services are being supported by MedEquip4Kids, a charity that supplements NHS resources by making available the extras that can make a big difference to a young person's experience. It's crucial that CAMHS are properly equipped to provide early intervention and treatment. By funding these extra resources, MedEquip4Kids are helping to improve the care and support CAMHS can offer to children and young people."

Around one in ten children aged 1-15 has a mental health condition such as anxiety, depression, eating disorders, self harm, attachment disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, autism / Asperger's, ADHD, among others. Picture books and reference books for parents can help the whole family to understand their child's condition, while creative resources like arts and crafts materials, stress toys, games, and emotion cards enable children to communicate and cope with their feelings.

MedEquip4Kids has a 30-year history of improving children's health by providing equipment not available from limited NHS resources. The charity is accepting further applications for funding in 2016 from CAMHS anywhere in the UK. For more details, visit www.medequip4kids.org.uk or call 0161 798 1600.

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