Where to find us
The Dorset County Community Learning Disability Team is based in 3 locations:

Christchurch Local Office,
Loring Road, Christchurch,
Dorset, BH23 2GZ

Phone: 01202 474106

Ferndown Local Office,
Penny’s Walk, Ferndown,
Dorset, BH22 9JY

Phone: 01202 877445

Purbeck Local Office,
19 Bonnets Lane, Wareham,
Dorset, BH20 4HB

Phone: 01929 553456

Our offices are open:
Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday 9:00am-4:30pm.

Out of hours team
For emergencies when the office is shut telephone 01202 657279.
They can only respond to urgent situations.

How to contact us
You can ask us to help you, or you can ask a family member, doctor or any person who works with you to get in touch on your behalf.

To make a new referral, please contact:

Adult Access Team

Phone: 01305 221016
Fax: 01305 264607
Email: adultaccess@dorsetcc.gov.uk
Post:
Adult Access Team,
Dorset Direct,
PO Box 7184,
Dorchester,
Dorset,
DT1 9ER.

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We also give information about other organisations who can help with equipment or benefits.

**Carer support**
We offer advice, support and services for people caring for adults with a learning disability. This may include assessing your needs. There is also a Carers in Crisis emergency back-up scheme.

**Working with others**
We give advice to other organisations providing support to people with a learning disability. We work jointly with GPs and mental health services to make sure you are fully supported.

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**About the team**
We provide specialist support and advice to help people with a learning disability, who live in East Dorset, lead more independent lives.

The team is made up of these health and social care staff:

- Administration Staff
- Learning Disability Nurses
- Occupational Therapists
- Physiotherapists
- Psychologists
- Psychiatrists
- Social Workers
- Speech & Language Therapists
- Students

**How we provide support**
We start with an assessment of your needs. This can lead to a number of further assessments.

We may offer support with:

- Accommodation
- Activities in the day time
- Behaviour
- Emotional well-being
- Employment
- Keeping healthy and active
- Keeping safe
- Support with daily living tasks

Specialist assessment and advice may also be offered including:

- Access to health treatment
- Communication
- Eating and drinking
- Epilepsy
- Helping you find activities to do in your local area
- Keeping safe
- Medication
- Mobility
- Posture
- Sensory needs
- Sexual health