

# Senior Mental Health Lead in Schools DfE Training Update



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## Senior mental health leads in schools and colleges can now book a DfE-funded training course

From 21 September, state funded schools and colleges can book a place on a training course to help them implement an effective whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing, supporting recovery from the impacts of the pandemic.

The training on offer from the DfE is nationally available. Over sixty five courses are now available for school and college senior mental health leads, for all levels of experience, learning needs and preferences. DfE is providing grants for up to a third of all schools and colleges to access training in 2020/21, as part of a commitment to offer this training to all schools by 2025.

To find out more about developing a whole school or college approach, learning outcomes for senior mental health leads, what training courses are available, and more information about how to access a grant, please visit [this page](#).

If you would like to be notified when the grant application process opens, please enter your contact information [here](#).

## How does this link with what is happening in Enfield?

This training offer will complement the training & support offer that is provided as an Enfield wide initiative (e.g. Whole School Wellbeing Audit & Implementation, Enfield Trauma Informed Practice), through Enfield services who work with your schools (SWERRL, My Young Mind Enfield, Educational Psychology Service, Prevent, EASA, Virtual School etc) or through Enfield Professional Learning offer.

The Enfield partnership will be launching the Mental Health Leads Network Meeting in the second half of the autumn term. The aim of this network will be to provide:

- a network for professionals holding a similar role across Enfield;
- up to date on the local offer to support children's emotional wellbeing and mental health;
- information and updates on local initiatives
- opportunity to share good practice
- a space for delegates to reflect on professional development needs.

To be involved in this network meeting complete this [Health & Wellbeing School Survey](#) and/or email [eps@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:eps@enfield.gov.uk)