**HYDROCEPHALUS**

Raising awareness about a hidden disability affecting learning in schools

Monday 15th October 2018 in Manchester at Irwin Mitchell’s offices

Wednesday 17th October 2018 in Sheffield at Irwin Mitchell’s offices

Hydrocephalus is a condition affecting the brain, which develops when the complications of a medical condition, like a stroke, tumour, head injury or an unknown event, cause fluid in the brain, called CSF, to build up in and around the brain to a dangerous level.

* 1 in 750 babies are born with or acquire hydrocephalus
* Hydrocephalus is the most common reason for a child having a brain operation
* A brain operation to control hydrocephalus is performed every 15 minutes
* 1 in 10 people with dementia have hydrocephalus
* 1 in 100 seniors develop normal pressure hydrocephalus

Welcome to Shine’s Information and strategies session for Education professionals in schools and local authorities about

* the effects of Hydrocephalus on learning
* maximising a the potential of a child with hydrocephalus in school

**Aims** –

1. Enhance knowledge and understanding of the condition and its effects on learning

2. Be aware of difficulties C&YP face in schools

3. Find out about strategies for teaching and learning in the classroom, including helpful technology and behaviour support

Launch of education resources to support and guide teaching and support staff in schools

**Agenda**

4 to 4.30 pm

Refreshments and meet Shine staff, hydrocephalus nurses and parents.

Display of school resources available for CYP with related brain conditions?

4.30pm to 5.15 pm

1. Hydrocephalus nurse from local children’s hospital - What is H? How is H treated? What effects?
2. Q&A with H nurses

5.15-5.30 Short break

5.30 to 6-30pm

1. Parent’s experience of having a child with hydrocephalus
2. Presentation by Shine team about classroom strategies, inclusion, behaviour management and helpful technology

6.30 - 6.45 Q&A – Shine information and fundraising packs distributed

Feedback/evaluation form

Shine Awareness Week - ask those attending to take our Awareness Week literature away with them and take into school after the half term break.

Fundraising - school fundraising assembly and associated fundraising ask.

For example, Wear Yellow and Shine Day

Virtual balloon race for KS2 and secondary schools?