

# Travel Enablement

## Independent Travel Training

Travel training for students with a learning difficulty or disability

Our referral form can be found on our webpage or requested by phone: [www.goucestershire.gov.uk/transport/school-and-college-transport/independent-travel-training](http://www.goucestershire.gov.uk/transport/school-and-college-transport/independent-travel-training)

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Any enquiries regarding Travel Training should be sent to:  
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Your school, the SENCo or YST Case Responsible Officer should also be able to give you support and advice through this process.



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## ABOUT YOU

This service is available to you if:

- You have a Statement of SEN or an Education, Health & Care Plan
- You are/will be in full-time education (540 guided learning hours)
- You are/will be attending the nearest school or college that can meet your educational needs
- You live over 3 miles away from your nearest school or college

**If you do not meet this criteria, please get in touch to see if we can still help.**

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

If you complete and return a referral form, we will contact you to discuss your options.

Travel training will usually start with a home or school visit followed by an initial assessment to ensure training is suitable for the young person at the time.

Training will be 1:1 on a withdrawing basis as the young person learns to be independent and travel safely.

Sessions will be bespoke to meet your individual needs.

There is no pass or fail, it is a travel experience with an outcome we discuss and agree with you.



## HOW WILL TRAVEL TRAINING BE DELIVERED?

Your training will include:

- Using a bus pass or money and understanding information displays/ timetables
- Journey planning
- Practical training in the community: on foot, crossing roads, using public transport with the right support from the travel trainer
- 'What if' scenarios, coping strategies, how to resolve problems, using a mobile phone safely and more.

## FEEDBACK FROM YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES

"This is a great service which I believe is essential for young people with learning difficulties" *Carer of trainee, 2017*

"I feel much more confident about travelling alone now and can get to my destination without panicking" *Trainee, 2017*

"This is brilliant for children's confidence and independence" *Parent of trainee, 2017*

"I can get on a bus now and speak to the bus driver and travel and get off at the end safely" *Trainee, 2017*

## WHO CAN MAKE REFERRALS?

Either parents or the following people can refer for travel training: schools, social workers and other practitioners or lead professionals working with children and young people with learning difficulties or disabilities.