



Child Health and Wellbeing Network / Learning Disabilities Network

Epilepsy

Primary Care Education Session

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Questions and Answers

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<p>Can I ask about the support and journey for those young people who may be diagnosed with non-epileptic seizures or a combination of both epileptic and non epileptic?</p>	<p>The diagnostic journey for a non-epileptic patient is no different from an epileptic patient however support depends on the reason, sometimes patients need support from medical psychology</p> <p>Functional Neurological Disorder Website has a lot of good resources for professionals, young people and their parents/carers and families. These resources are helpful whether the person is having functional/dissociative seizures alone or whether it is in combination with having a diagnosis of epilepsy. It is common for the epilepsy services to look after people who have epilepsy alongside functional seizures and those young people who are going through a diagnostic process – those who are undergoing investigation. In the event that these patients are not diagnosed with epilepsy, the services continue to provide ongoing support to the Young People and their families for a period of time alongside input from health psychology. Patients would be discharged at the point that their conditions are being effectively managed.</p>
<p>What is the work that is being progressed at the moment with Epilepsy Action regarding the Primary Care online training c/o Dr Boardman?</p>	<p>There is a training module for Primary Care that has been available for a while, however its current content is aimed at primary care nurses. There are plans for Dr Boardman and ICB colleagues however to review this with Simon Privet Epilepsy Action to ensure that the content is suitable for any Primary Care Clinician.</p>

