Who Are We?

MPCF consists of parent-carer volunteers who work with local partners to ensure that the collective voice of parent-carers of children and young people (0-25yrs) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) is at the heart of decision-making in Manchester.

The group is parent-led and we understand the day-to-day challenges & situations faced by parent-carers of young ones with SEND.

What Do We Do?

MPCF works in partnership with the Health, Education and Social Care settings to shape and influence services, and to ensure they are fit for purpose and meet the needs of children & young people with SEND and their families living in Manchester.

We represent parent-carer voice at the decision-making level and have the capacity to shape and influence SEND services in Manchester.

What's Important to Us?

Our motto is "Together achieving better decisions and brighter futures for Manchester families of children and young people aged 0-25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)".

Our core values are:
- Respect
- Empathy
- Partnership
- Equality

How to Get Involved

Become a member.

Membership is free and does not commit you to anything. It does allow MPCF to keep in touch with parent-carers across the city and, in return, we can send you updates and information about what's happening in Manchester for disabled children, young people and their families.

Share your views.

Whether in the form of surveys, face-to-face chats, emails, or comments via social media, letting us know about what's working and not working for you & your child allows us to have a better grasp of parent-carer views of SEND services in Manchester.

Volunteer.

Whether it's becoming a member of our core steering group, helping out at events, delivering training or representing parents at strategic groups – whatever your skills and background, you CAN make a difference!

Come to our events.

Join us at our monthly coffee mornings and other events. Meet fellow carers and have a chat & a brew.