This is a programme for parents of children in their adolescence and considers how parents can connect with and build good relationships with their teenage children, while also being firm and influential in their lives.

The DVD used in this programme illustrates well-researched principles of effective communication and conflict resolution which parents can use with their teenagers, with the aim of helping them grow into responsible young adults. As well as role-play scenes and interviews with parents, the DVDs include interviews with young people about what it is like to be a teenager and their views about what makes families run smoothly.





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# ParentsPlus Adolescents Programme

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# Parents Plus Adolescents Program



An evidence-based parenting course promoting effective communication and positive relationships in families with adolescents aged 11 to 16 years old.

# Parenting Plus – Adolescence will support you to learn how to:

- Balance positive relationships with positive discipline.
- Connect with your teenager.
- Communicate positively and effectively with each other.
- Support your teenager to build their self-esteem and confidence.
- Negotiate rules and boundaries.
- Teach teenagers responsibility.
- Use positive discipline strategies for you teenager.
- Managing conflict within the home.
- Solving problems together as a family.



- Take a step back from how you normally react
- Think calmly.What is the best way to respond?



What is going on for this child? How are they feeling?

What is going on for you as a parent? how are you feeling?



What is the best way to respond?

What has worked well in the past?

#### A balanced Approach to parenting

Session 1 – Understanding teenagers + Pressing the pause button

Session 2 – Getting to know your teenager + Establishing rules with teenagers

Session 3 – Connecting with your teenager + Communicating Rules Positively

Session 4 – The Power of encouragement + Using consequences

Session 5 – Active listening + Creating a discipline plan

Session 6 – Empowering teenagers + Dealing with conflict and aggression

Session 7 – Problem solving with teenagers + Establishing routines

Session 8 – Family problem solving + Parent self-care

## **Parent Programme Referral Form**

Family Surname(s)	Main Address(es) & Postcode(s)	Contact Number(s)	Borough/District Council where the family live

First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth	Age	Gender	Relationship	Religion	Ethnicity	Education Provision

Please give details:		
ii) Parents and children involved in crime and/or Anti- Social Behaviour (ASB)	YES	NO 🗆
Please give details:		
iii) Child/Young Person not in Education (under 16) and/or risk of exclusion and/or poor school attendance	YES 🗆	№ □
Please give details:		
iv) Vulnerable Child/Young Person	YES	№ □
Please give details:		

v) Being Safe (e.g domestic violence and abuse, Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) or missing from home	YES	№ □
Please give details:		
vi) Parents and children with a range of health problems (including mental health concerns, alcohol misuse or drug use)	YES	№ □
Please give details, e.g :is there a diagnosed mental health conditions or has the referrer/practitioner and the family member discussed issues/concerns regarding mental health?		
6. Are you aware of any risk/dangers associated with Home Visits? (For example dangerous pets/animals, syringes, remote location, no phone signal or violent family members/visitors?)	YES	NO 🗆
If YES please give details		

7. Does the family have any specific language/communication requirements?	YES	NO 🗆	
If YES please give details			
8. Does a member of the family consider themselves to have a disability?	YES	NO 🗆	
If YES please give details			
9. Reasons for requesting a place on this course:			
Dreagnting issues and nature of your concerns?			
Presenting issues and nature of your concerns?			
Desired outcomes? What changes are required			

What has been tried so far?		
What changes do the family want to achieve?		
Will parents be able to make these dates and times and commit fully to completing the course?		
Will parent/s need funding to support transport	YES	№ □
Will parent/s need help with childcare for other children not at school/pre-school?	YES	NO 🗆
Preference of course to attend	SFP	РРАР 🗌

Referred by	Name:	Role:
Date:	Email Address:	Contact no: