



Advocacy

Advocard

332 Leith Walk
Edinburgh EH6 5BR
Tel: 0131 554 5307
For mental health service users

Circles Advocacy Project

Royal Edinburgh Hospital
Morningside Place
Edinburgh EH10 5HK
Tel: 0131 537 6004
For people in Royal Edinburgh Hospital

EARS Advocacy Service

c/o Forecort Leisure
14 Ashley Place
Edinburgh EH6 5PX
Tel: 0131 478 6030
For older people in or moving into care homes

Edinburgh Carers Council

356 Leith Walk
Edinburgh EH6 5BR
Tel: 0131 554 5153
For carers of people who use mental health services

Independent Special Education Advice

164 High Street
Dalkeith EH22 1AY
Tel: 0131 454 0096
For parents and carers of children with additional support needs

Partners in Advocacy

Unit 17, John Cotton Business Centre
10 Sunnyside, Edinburgh EH7 5RA
Tel: 0131 478 7723

People First (Scotland)

77-79 Easter Road
Edinburgh EH7 5PW
Tel: 0131 478 7707

Positive Voice

37-39 Montrose Terrace
Edinburgh EH7 5DJ
Tel: 0131 652 0754
For people living with HIV/AIDS

Powerful Partnerships

21 Saughtonhall Drive
Edinburgh EH12 5TW
Tel: 0131 478 5501

Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance

Melrose House, 69a George Street
Edinburgh EH2 2JG
Tel: 0131 260 5380

Senior Action Group Edinburgh (SAGE)

Balmwell House
29 Balmwell Terrace
Edinburgh EH16 6PS
Tel: 0131 666 2585

VOCAL Carers Advocacy Service

8-13 Johnston Terrace
Edinburgh EH1 2PW
Tel: 0131 622 6666
Volunteer professional advocacy for carers

Aids and Adaptations

Community Equipment Service

The City of Edinburgh Council
Tel: 0131 313 2435

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Community Care Housing

Accessible Homes Service
Level C2, Waverley Court
4 East Market
Edinburgh EH8 8BG
Tel: 0131 529 7099/7027

Lothian Disabled Living Centre

Astley Ainslie Hospital
Grange Loan
Edinburgh EH9 2HL
Tel: 0131 537 9190

Aids and HIV

Waverley Care Solas

2-4 Abbeymount
Edinburgh EH8 8EJ
Tel: 0131 661 0982

Alzheimer's Disease/ Dementia

Alzheimer Scotland - Action on Dementia

22 Drumsheugh Gardens
Edinburgh EH3 7RN
Tel: 0131 243 1453
24 hour Dementia Helpline: 0808 808 3000

Alzheimer Scotland

Early Onset Support Service
3 Quayside Street
Edinburgh EH6 6EJ
Phone: 0131 555 6866

Dementia Co-ordinators

South East: 0131 668 1542
South Central: 0131 662 0844
North West: 0131 537 5019
South West: 0131 537 7537

Arthritis

Arthritis Care

Unit 25a, Anniesland Business Park
Glasgow G13 1EU
Tel: 0141 954 7776

Autism

Scottish Society for Autism

Hilton House, Alloa Business Centre
The Whins
Alloa FK10 3SA
Tel: 01259 720044

Cancer

Maggie's Edinburgh

The Stables, Western General Hospital
Crewe Road South
Edinburgh EH4 2XU
Tel: 0131 537 3131

Marie Curie Cancer Care, Scotland

29a Albany Street
EDINBURGH EH1 3QN
Tel: 0131 456 3700

Carers Projects in Edinburgh and the Lothians

CA(I)RE Project

Eric Liddell Centre, 15 Morningside Road
Edinburgh EH10 4DP
Tel: 0131 446 3321/ 3317

Edinburgh Carers Council

356 Leith Walk, Edinburgh EH6 5BR
Tel: 0131 554 5153

North West Carers Centre

36 Muirhouse Crescent, Edinburgh EH4 4QL
Tel: 0131 315 3130

NSF Carer Support Worker

Claremont House, 130 East Claremont Street
Edinburgh EH7 4LB
Tel: 0131 557 9162

Oxgangs Pentlands Carer Project

Tel: 0131 441 5099

VOCAL Carers Centre

8 - 13 Johnston Terrace
Edinburgh EH1 2PW
Tel: 0131 622 6666

Carer Support Groups

Please contact the support group directly for dates and times of next meeting. VOCAL also has a list of carer support groups in Edinburgh. For more information contact VOCAL on 0131 622 6666. Also see the *Minority Ethnic* section of this A-Z

Carers Connect

Ballendan House, 28-30 Howden Street
Edinburgh EH8 9HL
Tel: 0131 557 9162

Ca(i)re Project Drop In

Eric Liddell Centre
15 Morningside Road
Edinburgh EH10 0BR
Tel: 0131 446 3321

Corstorphine Dementia Project

c/o Carrick Knowe Church
118-132 Saughton Road North
Edinburgh EH12 7DR
Tel: 0131 478 7784

Craigleith Carers Group

Craigleith House
13 Craigleith Road
Edinburgh EH4 2DN
Tel: 0131 537 5169

Craiglockhart Carer Support Group

Oxgangs Pentlands Carers Project
35 Oxgangs Crescent
Edinburgh EH13 9HJ
Tel: 0131 441 5099

Ford Road Care Home Carers Group

8 Fords Road
Edinburgh EH11 3HP
Tel: 0131 443 3731

Garvald Centre Parents and Carers Group

Eric Liddell Centre
15 Morningside Road
Edinburgh EH10 0BR
Tel: 0131 446 3321

Inverleith Carers Group

Inverleith Day Unit, Royal Victoria Hospital
13 Craigleith Road
Edinburgh EH4 2DN
Tel: 0131 557 9162

North West Carers Centre Carers Group

36 Muirhouse Crescent
Edinburgh EH4 4QL
Tel: 0131 315 3130

Stroke Carers Support group

Firhill Day Centre
257 Colinton Road
Edinburgh EH14 1DW
Tel: 0131 537 9577 or 0131 537 9139

Wester Hailes Health Agency Carers Group

Wester Hailes Health Agency
40 Dunbryden Drive
Edinburgh EH14 2QR
Tel: 0131 458 3080

Cerebral Palsy

Advice Service Capability Scotland

11 Ellersly Road
Edinburgh EH12 6HY
Tel: 0131 313 5510

Chest, Heart, Stroke

Chest, Heart and Stroke - Scotland

65 North Castle Street
Edinburgh EH2 3LT
Tel: 0131 225 6963
Advice Line: 0845 077 6000

Different Strokes

9 Canon Harnett Court , Wolverton Mill
Milton Keynes MK12 5NF
Helpline: 0845 130 7172

Children and families

CHILDREN 1ST

83 Whitehouse Loan
Edinburgh EH9 1AT
Tel: 0131 446 2300

Contact a Family Scotland

Norton Park, 57 Albion Road
Edinburgh EH7 5QY
Tel: 0131 475 2608

Education Law Unit - Govan Law Centre

Contact details are under *Legal* heading

Independent Special Education Advice

Contact details are under *Advocacy* heading

Enquire

5 Shandwick Place
Edinburgh EH2 4RG
Tel: 0845 123 2303

One Parent Families Scotland

13 Gayfield Square
Edinburgh EH1 3NX
Helpline: 0808 801 0323

Parentline

Tel: 0808 800 2222

Special Needs Information Point

14 Rillbank Terrace
Edinburgh EH9 1LN
Tel: 0131 536 0583

Home Start

Visit families in their homes offering support, friendship and practical assistance

Edinburgh South Central

35 Guthrie Street
Edinburgh EH1 1JG
Tel: 0131 226 1331

www.additionalsupportneeds.org.uk

Website with advice on Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

Complaints

Care Commission

Compass House, 11 Riverside Drive
Dundee DD1 4NY
Tel: 01382 207100

General Medical Council Scotland Office

5th Floor, The Tun
4 Jackson's Entry, Holyrood Road
Edinburgh EH8 8AE
Tel: 0131 525 8700 or 0845 357 6999

Health and Social Care Department

Client Services and Complaints Officer
Shrubhill House, Leith Walk
Edinburgh EH7 4PD
Tel: 0131 553 8395

Lothian NHS Board Complaints Officer

Deaconess House, 148 Pleasance
Edinburgh EH8 9RS
Tel: 0131 536 9054

Counselling

British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP)

BACP House, 35–37 Albert Street, Rugby
Warwickshire CV21 2SG
Tel: 0870 443 5252

Cruse Bereavement Care Scotland

3 Rutland Square, Edinburgh EH1 2AS
Tel: 0131 229 9355

Edinburgh & Lothian Council on Alcohol

6 Clifton Terrace
Edinburgh EH12 5DR
Tel: 0131 337 8188

Edinburgh Women's Aid

4 Cheyne Street
Edinburgh EH4 1JB
Tel: 0131 315 8110

Gay Men's Health

10a Union Street, Edinburgh EH1 3LU
Tel: 0131 558 9444

Gingerbread

19 Chester Street, Edinburgh EH3 7RF
Tel: 0131 220 1585

health in mind

40 Shandwick Place, Edinburgh EH2 4RT
Tel: 0131 225 8508

SAHELIYA

10 Union Street, Edinburgh EH1 3LU
Tel: 0131 556 9302

VOCAL Carers Counselling Service

8-13 Johnston Terrace
Edinburgh EH1 2PW
Tel: 0131 466 8082

Direct Payments

Direct Payments Team

Claremont House, 130 East Claremont Street
Edinburgh EH7 5LB
0131 652 3229

Lothian Centre for Integrated Living

Norton Park, 57 Albion Road
Edinburgh EH7 5QY
Tel/Minicom 0131 475 2350

Scottish Personal Assistant Employers Network (SPAEN)

Unit 9, Motherwell Business Centre
130 Coursington Road
Motherwell ML1 1PR
Tel: 01698 250280

Disability

Grapevine

Norton Park, 57 Albion Road
Edinburgh EH7 5QY
Tel: 0131 475 2370

Down Syndrome

Down's Syndrome Scotland

158/160 Balgreen Road
Edinburgh EH11 3AU
Tel: 0131 313 4225

Domestic Abuse

Edinburgh Women's Aid

4 Cheyne Street, Edinburgh EH4 1JB
Tel: 0131 315 8110

Drugs and Alcohol

Edinburgh & Lothian Council on Alcohol

6 Clifton Terrace
Edinburgh EH12 5DR
Tel: 0131 337 8188

Scottish Drugs Forum

139 Morrison Street
Edinburgh EH3 8AJ
Tel: 0131 221 9300

VOCAL Family Support Addictions

8-13 Johnston Terrace
Edinburgh EH1 2PW
Tel: 0131 622 6262
Tel: 0131 664 8506 (South Edinburgh)

Education & Lifelong Learning

Careers Scotland - Edinburgh

79 Shandwick Place
Edinburgh EH2 4SD
Tel: 0845 8502 502

CLAN Edinburgh

1-3 Canon Street, Edinburgh EH3 5HE
Tel: 0131 270 6034

Community Education Centres

Adult Learning Project

Tollcross Community Centre
117 Fountainbridge
Edinburgh EH3 9QG
Tel: 0131 221 5800

Tollcross Community Centre

Tollcross Primary School
117 Fountainbridge
Edinburgh EH3 9QG
Tel: 0131 221 5800

Carrickvale Community Centre

2 Saughton Mains Street
Edinburgh EH11 3HH
Tel: 0131 443 6971

Gorgie Memorial Hall

338 Gorgie Road
Edinburgh EH11 2QU
Tel: 0131 337 9098

Nelson Hall Community Education Centre

5 Spittalfield Crescent
Edinburgh EH8 9QZ
Tel: 0131 667 8838

South Side Community Centre

117 Nicolson Street
Edinburgh EH8 9ER
Tel: 0131 667 0484

Springwell House Community Centre

Ardmillan Terrace
Edinburgh EH11 2JN
Tel: 0131 346 1405

St Bride's Community Centre

10 Orwell Terrace
Edinburgh EH11 2DY
Tel: 0131 346 1405

The Number Shop

188-190 The Pleasance
Edinburgh EH8 9RT
Tel: 0131 668 4787

Epilepsy

Enlighten

5 Coates Place
Edinburgh EH3 7AA
Tel: 0131 226 5458

Epilepsy Scotland

48 Govan Road
Glasgow G51 1JL
Tel: 0141 427 4911

Head Injuries***Edinburgh Headway Group***

Headway House, Astley Ainslie Hospital
Canaan Lane
Edinburgh EH9 2HL
Tel: 0131 537 9116 / 9557

Health and Well-being

NHS 24: 08454 24 24 24

Community Health Projects***Gorgie Dalry Community Health Project***

Springwell House, Ardmillan Terrace
Edinburgh EH11 2JN
Tel: 0131 537 7530

LGBT Centre for Health & Wellbeing

9 Howe Street
Edinburgh EH3 6TE
Tel: 0131 523 1100

Pilton Community Health Project

73 Boswall Parkway
Edinburgh EH5 2PW
Tel: 0131 551 1671

GP Medical Practices***Blackhall Medical Centre***

51 Hillhouse Road, Edinburgh EH4 3TH
Tel: 0131 332 7696

Gilmore Medical Practice

Tollcross Health Centre, Ponton Street
Edinburgh EH3 9QQ
Tel: 0131 536 9755

Inverleith Medical Practice

43 Inverleith Row
Edinburgh EH3 5PY
Tel: 0131 552 3369

Lauriston Medical Practice

32 Lauriston Place
Edinburgh EH3 9EZ
Tel: 08444 778755

Leven Medical Practice

Tollcross Health Centre, Ponton Street
Edinburgh EH3 9QQ
Tel: 0131 536 9700

MacKenzie Medical Centre

20 West Richmond Street
Edinburgh EH8 9DX
Tel: 0131 650 8101

Meadows Medical Practice

9 Brougham Place
Edinburgh EH3 9HW
Tel: 0131 229 7211

Murrayfield Medical Centre

35 Saughton Crescent
Edinburgh EH12 5SS
Tel: 0131 337 2166

Murrayfield Medical Practice

13b Riversdale Crescent
Edinburgh EH12 5QX
Tel: 0131 337 6151

Newington Surgery

14 East Preston Street
Edinburgh EH8 9QA
Tel: 0131 662 4400

Polwarth Surgery

72 Polwarth Gardens, Edinburgh EH11 1LL
Tel: 0131 229 5914

Slateford Road Surgery

79 Slateford Road
Edinburgh EH11 1QW
Tel: 0131 346 2644

Springwell Medical Centre

Ardmillan Terrace
Edinburgh EH11 2JL
Tel: 08444 778712

Southside Surgery

17 Bernard Terrace
Edinburgh EH8 9NU
Tel: 0131 667 2240

St Leonards Medical Centre

145 Pleasance
Edinburgh EH8 9RU
Tel: 0131 668 4547

West End Medical Practice

21 Chester Street
Edinburgh EH3 7RF
Tel: 0131 225 6417

Whinpark Medical Practice

6 Saughton Road
Edinburgh EH11 3RA
Tel: 0131 455 5267

Lothian Community Health Partnerships

Part of NHS Lothian, CHPs work with social services and are responsible for managing community health services (eg. Health Visiting, District Nursing, Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Speech and Language).

Edinburgh Community Health Partnership

is made up of five Local Health Partnerships - North East, North West, South Central, South East and South West. Tel: 0131 537 9525

Lothian NHS Library/Resource Centre

Deaconess House, 148 Pleasance
Edinburgh EH8 9RS
Tel: 0131 536 9451/2/3

Scottish Health Council

Delta House, 50 West Nile Street
Glasgow G1 2NP
Tel: 0141 225 6981

Housing***Automated Helplines***

Tel: 0845 1300 902 (Council Tax)
Tel: 0845 1300 903 (Council Tax Arrears)
Tel: 0845 1300 907 (Benefits)

Community Care Housing

Contact details are under *Aids and Adaptations*

Care & Repair in Edinburgh

4 Queen Street
Edinburgh EH2 1JE
Tel: 0131 220 7630
Assists older people and people with disabilities with house repairs and improvements.

Council Tax & Housing Benefit Information

The City of Edinburgh Council
Revenues and Benefits
Chesser House
500 Gorgie Road, Edinburgh EH11 3YB
Tel: 0131 200 2000 ask for Council Tax or Non-Domestic Rates

Edinburgh Shelter Housing Aid Centre

Ground floor, Unit 2 Kittle Yards
Causewayside
Edinburgh EH9 1PJ
Tel: 0131 466 8031

EdIndex

8 West Pilton Gardens, Edinburgh EH4 4DP
Tel: 0131 529 5080/5095/5099

Energy Efficiency Advice Centre

36 Newhaven Road, Edinburgh EH6 5PY
Tel: 0800 512 012

Edinburgh Community Mediation Service

21 Abercromby Place
Edinburgh EH3 6QE
Tel: 0131 557 2101
Handles disputes between neighbours

Housing Options Team

Level 1, 1 Cockburn Street
Edinburgh EH1 3BJ
Tel: 0131 529 7368
www.nice-work.com/hogasp/Frameset1.htm

Learning Disabilities**Enable**

95 - 97 Causewayside
Edinburgh EH9 1QG
Tel: 0131 667 2840

Family Advice and Information Resource

95 Causewayside
Edinburgh EH9 1QG
Tel: 0131 662 1962

The Action Group

Norton Park Centre, 57 Albion Road
Edinburgh EH7 5QY
Tel: 0131 475 2315

Legal Matters**Education Law Unit - Govan Law Centre**

47 Burleigh Street, Govan
Glasgow G51 3LB

Legal Services Agency

Fleming House, 134 Renfrew Street
Glasgow G3 6ST
Website: www.lsa.org.uk
Tel: 0141 353 3354 - free advice on issues relating to mental health (eg. Powers of Attorney) is available on Tuesday mornings from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm.

Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road
St Andrews, Fife KY16 9DS
Tel: 01334 464610

The Scottish Legal Aid Board

44 Drumsheugh Gardens
Edinburgh EH3 7SW
Tel: 0131 226 7061

The Office of the Public Guardian

Hadrian House, Callendar Business Park
Callendar Road
Falkirk FK1 1XR
Tel: 01324 678300

Leisure**Artlink**

13a Spittal Street
Edinburgh EH3 9DY
Tel: 0131 229 3555
Provides an escort service enabling individuals to go to arts events (eg. theatre)

Cinema Exhibition Card

National card verifying that the holder is entitled to one free ticket for a person accompanying them to the cinema. Contact: The Card Network, The Technology Centre Rossmore Business Park Ellesmere Port, Cheshire CH65 3EN
Tel: 0151 348 8020

Leisure centres

Ainslie Park Leisure Centre

92 Pilton Drive
Edinburgh EH5 2HF
Tel: 0131 551 2400

Carrick Knowe Golf Course

12 Glendevon Park
Edinburgh EH12 5UZ

Crags Sports Centre

10 Bowmont Place
Edinburgh EH8 9RY
Tel: 0131 667 3334

Dalry Swim Centre

Caledonian Crescent
Edinburgh EH11 2AL
Tel: 0131 313 3964

Drumbrae Leisure Centre

30 Drumbrae Terrace
Edinburgh EH4 7SF
Tel: 0131 312 7957

Royal Commonwealth Pool

21 Dalkeith Road
Edinburgh EH16 5BB
Tel: 0131 667 7211

Saughton Sports Complex

Stevenson Drive
Edinburgh EH11 3HB
Tel: 0131444 0422

Libraries

Access Services, Edinburgh City Libraries

George IV Bridge
Edinburgh EH1 1EG
Tel: 0131 242 8135

Corstorphine Library

12 Kirk Loan
Edinburgh EH12 7HD
Tel: 0131 529 5506

Fountainbridge Library

137 Dundee Street
Edinburgh EH11 1BG
Tel: 0131 529 5616

Morningside Library

184 Morningside Road
Edinburgh EH10 4PU
Tel: 0131 529 5654

Newington Library

17-21 Fountainhall Road
EH9 2LN
Tel: 0131 529 5536

Sighthill Library

6 Sighthill Wynd
Edinburgh EH11 4BL
Tel: 0131 529 5569

Stockbridge Library

11 Hamilton Place
Edinburgh EH3 5BA
Tel: 0131 529 5665

Wester Hailes Library

1 Westside Plaza
Edinburgh EH14 2FT
Tel: 0131 529 5667

Mental Health

Edinburgh Carers Council

356 Leith Walk
Edinburgh EH6 5BR
Tel: 0131 554 5153

health in mind

40 Shandwick Place
Edinburgh EH2 4RT
Tel: 0131 225 8508

Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland

Floor K, Argyle House
3 Lady Lawson Street
Edinburgh EH3 9SH
User and carer advice line: 0800 389 6809

National Schizophrenia Fellowship

Claremont House, 130 East Claremont Street
Edinburgh EH7 4LB
Tel: 0131 557 8969

Saheliya

10 Union Street
Edinburgh EH1 3LU
Tel: 0131 556 9302

Minority Ethnic

MECOPP Carers Centre

23 Leith Walk, Edinburgh EH6 8LN
Tel: 0131 467 2994

Ukrainian and Polish Support Service

Alzheimer's Scotland
30 Braid Road, Edinburgh EH10 6AD
Tel: 0131 446 3755

BEMAS Parent/Carers Support Group

The Action Group
Tel: 0131 475 2315

Multiple Sclerosis

MS Society in Scotland

National Office, Ratho Park
88 Glasgow Road, Ratho Station
Newbridge EH28 8PP
Tel: 0131 335 4050

Older People

Age Concern Scotland

Causewayside House, 160 Causewayside
Edinburgh EH9 1PR
Tel: 0845 833 0200

Lifecare (formerly Edinburgh and Leith Age Concern)

2 Cheyne Street, Edinburgh EH4 1JB
Tel: 0131 315 2236

Scottish Helpline for Older People

0845 125 9732

Parkinson's Disease

Parkinson's Disease Society

Edinburgh branch: 0131 449 4859

Respite

VOCAL contributes to a respite database listing respite services in Edinburgh and the Lothians. Contact VOCAL on 0131 622 6666

Shared Care Scotland

Unit 7, Dunfermline Business Centre
Izatt Avenue, Dunfermline
Fife KY11 3BZ
Tel: 01383 622462

Sensory Impairment

British Deaf Association Scotland

3rd Floor, Princes House
5 Shandwick Place
Edinburgh EH2 4RG
Tel: 0131 221 2600

RNIB Scotland: Edinburgh and the Lothians

12 Hillside Crescent, Edinburgh EH7 5DZ
Tel: 0131 557 1004

Social Work Centres (City of Edinburgh Council)

If you are contacting social services for the first time call **Social Care Direct** on 0131 200 2324. For social care services for children contact your nearest Social Work Centre:

Muirhouse Crescent Social Work Centre

34 Muirhouse Crescent EH4 4QL
Tel: 0131 343 1991

West Pilton Gardens Social Work Centre

8 West Pilton Gardens EH4 4DP
Tel: 0131 529 5400

Westfield House Social Work Centre

5 Kirk Loan EH12 7HD
Tel: 0131 334 9933

Springwell House Social Work Centre

1 Gorgie Road EH11 2LA
Tel: 0131 313 3366

Murrayburn Gate Social Work Centre

5 Murrayburn Gate EH14 2SS
Tel: 0131 442 4131

Oxgangs Path Social Work Centre

4 Oxgangs Path EH13 9LX
Tel: 0131 445 4451

Captains Road Social Work Centre

40 Captains Road EH17 8QF
Tel: 0131 529 5300

Emergency Social Work Service

Tel: 0800 731 6969

Children and Families Services

Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street
Edinburgh EH8 8BH
Tel: 0131 469 3000

Transport

Blue Badge

Provides parking benefits for disabled people with severe walking difficulties travelling either as drivers or as passengers.

Edinburgh 0131 469 3840

Bus Pass

Edinburgh 0131 200 2351

Dial-a-Ride and Dial-a-Bus

Dial-a-Ride: provides door-to-door transport for people unable to use ordinary buses. Dial-a-Bus: provides transport from home to local shopping centres for people unable to use ordinary buses. See below for contacts:

Dial-a-Ride : 0131 447 9949

Dial-a-Bus : 0131 447 1718

Disabled Go

Information on access for people with a disability

Website: <http://www.disabledgo.info/>

DVLA Drivers Medical Group

Information for drivers with medical conditions

Tel: 0870 600 0301

Lothian Community Transport Services

200 Sir Harry Lauder Road
Edinburgh EH15 2QA
Tel: 0131 669 9959

Lothian Shopmobility

Provides free wheelchair and scooter lending service to enable people with disabilities the means to shop and use facilities. Contact: Gyle Shopping Centre, Edinburgh, 0131 225 9559

Motability

Enables people to use the higher mobility component of Disability Living Allowance to buy or hire a car or wheelchair. See below for details:

Edinburgh Driving Assessment Service

Mobility Centre, Astley Ainslie Hospital
133 Grange Loan, Edinburgh EH9 2HL
Tel: 0131 537 9192

Motability Operations

City Gate House, 22 Southwark Bridge Road
London SE1 9HB
Tel: 0845 456 4566

RADAR

For details on National Disabled Key Scheme
Tel: 0207 250 3222

Scottish Ambulance Service

Patients who are considered by a doctor to be medically unfit to travel by any other means can qualify for an ambulance.

Ambulance Booking Line: 0131 447 0434

South Edinburgh Amenities Group

City-wide, wheelchair accessible minibus service
Tel: 0131 658 1431

Taxicard Scheme

Designed to help people with disabilities to get about by making taxis cheaper to use.

Edinburgh 0131 469 3840

Volunteer Car Services

British Red Cross Transport and Escort

Edinburgh 0131 557 9898

Royal National Institute for the Blind

Edinburgh and Lothians
12 Hillside Crescent EH7 5DZ
Tel: 0131 557 1004

Women's Royal Voluntary Service

Clerwood House, 96 Clermiston Road
Edinburgh EH12 6UT
Tel: 0131 314 0600 (main number) and
0131 225 9843 (answerphone)

Young Carers

Broomhouse Young Carers Project

The Broomhouse Centre
79-89 Broomhouse Crescent
Edinburgh EH11 3RH
Tel: 0131 455 7731

Edinburgh Young Carers Project

Norton Park, 57 Albion Road
Edinburgh EH7 5QY
Tel: 0131 475 2322