## Using ChiMat to improve commissioning for Special Educational Needs (SEN) services

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Maps and Data

ChiMat Data Atlas
One-stop-shop for relevant, up-to-date data. Demographics, user activity, performance and national indicators by SHA, PCT, local authority, district council and Super Output Area, including trends over time.

atlas.chimat.org.uk/IAS/dataviews/
Children with acute or additional health needs Atlas of Variation

Learning Disabilities Observatory
www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk/numbers/sendata/maps3/
School Action Plans & Special Education Needs Interactive Instant Atlas Map

www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk
People with Learning Disabilities in England 2011

Profiles

Child health profiles
A snapshot of child health and well-being for each local area across a balanced range of indicators.

www.chimat.org.uk/profiles

Learning disabilities profiles
www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk/profiles

ChiMat local specialists
A ChiMat lead person employed in each region with knowledge of the local agenda and priorities.

www.chimat.org.uk/chimat/local

Needs assessment reports
Evidence-based information on prevalence, incidence and risk factors.

- Demographic profile for local authorities
- Demographic profile for primary care trusts
- Child and adolescent mental health (CAMHS) for CAMHS partnerships;
- children and young people with disabilities for local authorities;
- Continence in children for local authorities; and
- Speech and language impairment for local authorities

atlas.chimat.org.uk/IAS/profiles/needsassessments

Service snapshots
A summary of demand, provision and outcomes for services in your local area.

- Child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) for CAMHS partnerships
- Disability for local authority

atlas.chimat.org.uk/IAS/profiles/servicereports

Knowledge hub
Easy access to policy, guidelines, good practice and current research.

Weekly current awareness eBulletin and topical monthly eBulletins to keep you up-to-date.

www.chimat.org.uk/ldcamhs

www.improvinghealthandlives.org.uk

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