

What is An Cuan Regional Outreach Support Service?

An Cuan is a HSE funded regional outreach support service which supports adults with a mild to profound Intellectual Disability (also with/without a diagnosis on the Autism Spectrum) who are in receipt of services from voluntary/non-profit; for-profit and HSE registered services in Cork and Kerry.

An Cuan is an inter-disciplinary service comprising of Psychology, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, Positive Behaviour Support, Nursing, and Social Care practitioners.

What is the School Leavers Programme (SLP)?

Since 2023 An Cuan has been supporting students, in their final year of school, from 17 years, with an intellectual disability with/without Autism. The aim of the Programme is to support the transition from school to adult day services.

The focus of our work is to gather information about the students support need, while they are in their final year of school. We will then meet with their new adult service provider and handover this information and provide guidance on how best to support the transition.



School Transition Process:

How to refer;

SLP referrals can be made through the HSE Day Service Opportunity Officers (DSOO).

If you feel a student needs additional support in transitioning, or they have very specific support needs that will need to be handed over, contact the DSOO involved

Once a referral is received the following process is carried out:

- Full file review
- Observation of the person in their school setting
- Meeting with teacher, CDNT and SNAs
- Contact with proposed Day Service, followed by site visit in advance of transition to handover information and offer support with environmental set up
- Onsite support offered during their initial transition to the new adult service
- Referral to ACROSS for further behaviour support if required

The core values of An Cuan



Professional



Person Centred



Supportive



Creative



Collaborative

SLP Referral Criteria:

- Must reside or attend school in Cork or Kerry
- Must be 17yrs +
- Must be in their final year of school
- Must have an intellectual disability
- Must have an Identified need for support in transiting from school to adult services

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