**Your Story**

**Rix Wiki websites allow you to tell your story, in your way, in your own words.**

Rix Wiki is a simple, accessible, secure and easy to build personal website. It is an easy way for you to show the impact of your SEND on your daily life and be able to communicate and share this information using a computer, tablet or smartphone with whoever you wish.



**We have a limited amount, of free licenses that are available for Newcastle families who have a child or young person with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)**

**What is ‘Rix Wiki’?**

Rix Wikis are personal websites which can be used to share information for education, health and care plans, annual reviews, medical appointments and sharing successes. You can share your wiki with the people who work with you and your family, who you know and trust, so that they can learn more about you and better understand how they can support you to reach your goals.

To look at an example of a Rix Wiki go to:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMnuU54NZSM&feature=youtube](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMnuU54NZSM&feature=youtube)

Newcastle is starting a project to try out 20 Rix Wikis over the next 12 months with children and young people with an Education, Health and Care Plan or in the assessment process, who would like to share their story with professionals using a computer, tablet or smartphone.

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**Telling your story**

Wikis are easy to use and let you show what you can do, what is important to you, what your goals are and the things you may need help with.

The wiki is owned by you and your family or carer and enables you to tell your story through pictures, words, videos and sound.

You can invite others who look after you, or work with you, to view any part of your wiki that you choose to share. You keep control of who can see what.

Sharing your wiki with the professionals you deal with saves you from having to repeat things over and over again.

The wiki is yours to use and to keep up to date for the length of the project. It only contains the information you want to include in it.

You can watch a video to find out what a wiki is and how it can support you: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=MUdodGt8CCY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MUdodGt8CCY)

**Are they safe?**

All wiki websites are private and secured by a password that only you will know.

Your wiki will be private, and you can share it with people you know and trust.

**What equipment do I need?**

The wiki can be seen and accessed on a computer, laptop, tablet (iPad) or even a smartphone.

You can access your wiki anywhere with your username and password, you just need a good internet connection plus a web browser.

The wiki website works in all popular web browsers such as Internet Explorer, Firefox, Chrome and Safari.

**How do I get a wiki?**

We have **20 FREE licenses** for Newcastle families to use. Please contact Ann or Jill at the email addresses at the bottom of this leaflet if you would like to try out the Rix Wiki. Our only criteria is that the child or young person lives in Newcastle and has an Education, Health and Care Plan or is in the assessment process. We would like to test the wiki with a children from different needs and range of ages. The licenses will be handed out on a first come first served basis.

We will support you with training and will check in with you every now and again to see how you are getting on. We would also want your honest opinion as to whether you would recommend using Rix wiki and promote to other families.

We will also be running information events and demonstrating the website.

[**Click here to join the meeting**](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MmZiZjg4MDAtYTgwZi00YTQyLWI2NjUtNzhmZjc0OTY2NjIw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22b29fb4c0-0d04-4a9f-b462-c1294b1e1b47%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22efd9146f-7856-48f5-affc-d9edaeabaca0%22%7d)

If you are a professional and know someone that you think would benefit from a Rix Wiki please forward this information to them.

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