



Improvement East
Eastern Region Sector Led Improvement



RIIA Update May 2026



SEND Training

Legal Training

- The SEND Legal Training Suite launched in October, with 13 sessions delivered to date and over 418 LA colleagues attended these sessions.

Session One - What makes a good EHCP

Session Two – Fundamentals of SEND, and provision within an EHCP

Session Three – Context of Commissioning for SEND

Session Four – Placements & EOTIS, and Section 19 provision

Session Five – Tribunals (Practice & Procedure)

Session Six – Mediation, disagreement resolution and inter-agency dispute resolution

Session Seven – SEND and Safeguarding considerations

Hot Topic 1 – Parent Responsibility

Hot Topic 2 – Private Reports

Hot Topic 3 – Ceasing to maintain EHCP's

Hot Topic 4 – Post 16 considerations

Hot Topic 5 – SEND and children/YP with challenging behaviour

Hot Topic 6 – The Schools White Paper

➤ All resources on our website: [SEND Legal Training – Improvement East](#)



Inclusion Celebration Event



Categories include:

- **Inclusive Mainstream School of the Year**
- **Inclusive Student Champion Award**
- **You made a Difference – Young People Awards**
- **Early Intervention Excellence Award**
- **Coproduction/ Parent and Young People Partnership Award**
- **SEND Workforce Development Award**
- **Partnerships Project Award**
- **Inspirational Achievement Award**

Voting will open the end of this week!

Funding & Plans for 2026/27

- The Statement of Requirement and funding has not yet been shared by the DfE
- Considering continuing the work started this financial year if in allowed in the statement of requirements
- We are currently working with our RIIA networks, NHS and PCF to establish priorities and plans for 2026-2027 funds dependant.

- **We would welcome suggestions from this group for areas of focus for the RIIA Plan for 2026/27**