

## PA12 Individual

Senedd Cymru

Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg

Absenoldeb Disgyblion

Ymateb gan Unigolyn

Welsh Parliament

Children, Young People and Education Committee

Pupil absence

Evidence from Individual

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Record your views against the inquiry's terms of reference, which have been grouped into 5 themes.

### 1. Reasons

Absence of knowledge or understanding of neurodivergent children. Lack of mental health help and support. Lack of knowledge/understanding of nd conditions by gp

### 2. Risks and consequences

They are barred from any chance of meeting full potential and are made to feel they are less human.

### 3. Impact

I had to leave my job of 20 years. We struggle financially and we are all traumatised by the system

### 4. Effectiveness of policies

They obviously don't work as I can't get any help/education for my children

### 5. Other

The school system doesn't work for nd children. Things like adhd/autism need to be picked up way earlier to prevent trauma and missed education. Parents must be heard and not dismissed

