

SERVICES FOR MINORITY GROUPS

(Please also see Mental Health and Women's Sections)



Black and Racial Minority Employment Outreach Service

The Lauries Centre
142 Claughton Road
Birkenhead
CH41 6YE

Tel: 0151 650 5428

Email: wirralchange@yahoo.co.uk

Website: www.merseysidenetworkforchange.org

Services provided:

- advice on jobs, education, training and self-employment
- links to immigration information and support
- benefits advice
- advice on smoking cessation
- signposting to other services.

How to access:

Drop-in sessions held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10.30am – 1.30pm.

Irish Community Care Merseyside - Wirral Services

The Lauries Centre
Corner of Claughton Road/Exmouth Street
Birkenhead

Tel: (Liverpool office) 0151 707 4302

Email: enquiries@iccm.org.uk

Irish Community Care provides help and support for both the Irish and Irish traveller communities across Merseyside.

**DAMAGE
LIMITATION**
THINK WHEN YOU DRINK
0800 988 1421

Services provided:

- advice on welfare benefits and help with housing applications and registering with a doctor
- help accessing emergency accommodation and other services e.g. mental health services
- passport and birth certificate advice
- social group for older people
- other health and community services.

Outreach Development for Black Minority Ethnic Young People and Families

Partnership for Racial Equality
111 Conway Street
Birkenhead

Tel: 0151 666 4437 or 0151 666 4547
Email: equality-partnership@hotmail.com

Providing support for black and minority ethnic children and families.

Refugee Action

64 Mount Pleasant
Liverpool
L3 5SD

Tel: 0151 702 6300
Website: www.refugee-action.org.uk

Refugee Action's asylum teams provide a reception service and an independent advice and advocacy service for newly arrived asylum seekers supported by the National Asylum Support Service (NASS). We also support successful asylum applicants who need help in accessing mainstream services and accommodation.

Terrence Higgins Trust

5 Bridge Street
Birkenhead
CH41 1AS

Tel: 0151 666 9890

Email: info.wirral@ttht.org.uk
Website: www.ttht.org.uk

Office opening hours: Monday - Friday 10am - 4.30pm
THT Direct: 0845 12 21 200 (national helpline: opening hours Monday - Friday 10am - 10pm, Saturday and Sunday 12pm - 6pm).

Terrence Higgins Trust is the UK's leading HIV and sexual health charity. It provides help, support and advice to individuals and communities infected or affected by HIV, as well as those who experience poor sexual health.

In Wirral, many of its services are focused on health promotion and harm reduction, and are provided mainly for men who have sex with men; the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) community; people with HIV and young people. Additionally, the work of the Young Leaders project (a national project engaging young people in developing and delivering peer led sex and relationships education programmes) in the North West is based at its office in Birkenhead.

Services provided:

- outreach to men who have sex with men
- face to face with men who have sex with men
- group work (some of which is provided in partnership with Wirral LGBT Forum)
- sexual health outreach/drop-in
- information and advice
- safer sex material distribution, including information resources and campaigns
- condom distribution to men who have sex with men



- counselling
- education and training, including on HIV and other STIs, and anti-homophobic practice.

How to access:

Call, email or visit the website for more information about services.

Call the national helpline, THT Direct.

Self referral and referrals by agencies are accepted for all services.

Wired (also see pages 38 and 44)

Cavendish Enterprise Centre
Brassey Street
Birkenhead
CH41 8BY

Tel: 0151 670 1500 answer phone outside office hours

Email: contact@wired.me.uk

Website: www.wired.me.uk

Opening hours: Telephones answered Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm. Appointments made to suit individual clients at a time convenient to them.

Services provided:

A range of services for disabled people and their carers. All advice services are offered by outreach e.g. in their own homes or day centre.

Who is the service for?

Disabled people and their carers (some services have restrictions on age and impairment).

Facilities provided:

Shoptmobility Centres in Birkenhead and Liscard are fully accessible but do not have crèche facilities.

The head office is accessible but the service will provide appointments elsewhere as convenient with the service user.

Wirral African and Caribbean Community Voice

Tel: 0151 652 9512

Email: waccv@hotmail.com

The WACC strives to provide support and services identified by its members to ensure that black and mixed race children growing up in Wirral will have the necessary information and support to identify and have pride in their cultural roots, traditions and history.

Wirral Black and Racial Minority Partnership

c/o Community Engagement Team
65 The Village
Bebington
CH63 7PL

Tel: 0151 645 4038

Email: wbrmpartnership@google.com

Wirral BRM Partnership is an inclusive transparent membership organisation which, through involvement and engagement, works toward achieving its collective vision of community cohesion and sustainable improvements for all BRM communities in Wirral.

Wirral Multicultural Organisation

Wirral Multicultural Centre
111 Conway Street
Birkenhead
CH41 4AF

Tel: 0151 666 4547

Email: info@wmo.org.uk

Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm (additional activities on weekends).

A Wirral-wide service, predominantly for the black and minority ethnic communities or those with links to these communities.



Services provided:

- advocacy work
- well person's clinic
- IT and basic ESOL (English as a second language) courses
- black and minority ethnic (BME) children and families service
- multicultural youth club.

Facilities available:

Daycare nursery.

How to access:

A drop in service or by referral.