# Talentino Skills for Jobs or Jobs for Skills?

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#### Introduction

- Thank you for inviting me
- Brilliant event
- Title of this session...
- Content thinking about getting young people with SEND career ready – but for what?
- What could you do, what could be done?
- First, who is Talentino and what do we do?



# Talentino core offering

- Specialist content development Barclays Lifeskills; new CDI L4 SEND Careers course
- Sub contracted services Training for national disability charity
- Consultancy Careers and Enterprise Company
- Campaign e.g. APPG, Government, DFE, DWP
- Thought Leadership e.g. #Sameand different
- Qualified Careers Advice
- Early Career Development Programmes with training and resources – schools in England
  - Careers at EVERY Level Heritage and Digital
  - It's in the Box!
  - Bambino







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Employer Encounter Guide

# Skills for Jobs...getting young people with SEND Career Ready





# Careers Landscape now

#### **Key players**

- ✓ Department of Education National Careers Strategy 2017 and Statutory Guidance 2018
- ✓ Careers and Enterprise Company
- ✓ Gatsby Foundation
- √ CDI
- √ (Careers England)
- ✓ QICS
- ✓ SEND
  - √ NDTI
  - ✓ Council for Disabled Children

#### Infrastructure

- ✓ Careers and Enterprise Company
  - ✓ Company Careers Hubs
  - ✓ Careers clusters (old)
  - ✓ SEND COPs
  - ✓ Enterprise Coordinators
  - ✓ Enterprise Advisers (volunteers from business)
  - ✓ Compass / Compass for special schools
  - ✓ CIPD
  - ✓ Gatsby Benchmarks
  - ✓ CDI Careers Advisers
  - ✓ Schools Careers Leaders
    - 1000 special schools



# The National Careers Strategy works for young people with SEND

- Consider the widest range of options
- Raise aspirations
- Help parents/families engage more
- Increase authentic employer encounters
- Differentiate as appropriate
- Improve career development for most vulnerable
- Use 16-19 bursaries (or 19+ with EHC Plan) where possible
- Use Access to Work funding where possible (EHC Plan)
- Staff should work from the presumption of paid work
- Named and skilled Careers Advisers who build long term relationships



# Key Points National Careers Strategy and Statutory Guidance 2018 from Talentino Career Development Company

#### **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

- Anything saying 'must' is a legal requirement of the school
- Continued provide external careers advice from qualified adviser
- New provide access to providers of Apprenticeships and other Education providers
- New Publish a Provider Access Policy
- Not doing this will result in a school showing 'unacceptable behaviour' and Dept. Ed could write to the school
- Special Schools have been included in the guidance for Mainstream schools and guidance focused on different SEND groups

#### YOUNG PEOPLE CAN EXPECT A CAREER DEVELOPMENT JOURNEY TO INCLUDE:

- Finding information about their careers programme on the school website which starts in Year 8/earlier
- By the age of 14 have accessed careers information (LMI) to support their study decisions including local LMI
- Information about how important Maths and Science are leading to different rewarding STEM Careers
- Girls will have additional input into developing STEM careers
- By 16 have had 2 meaningful encounters with FE College Sixth Form Apprenticeship providers
- Two Careers Guidance interviews before career decisions are made at 16 and 18
- 7 Employer encounters one per years 7 to 13
- 2 work experiences before 16 and before 18
- By 18 2 University visits if Uni is their goal
- . Invited to join the school's Alumni network
- Able to access their individual Careers records

#### **GOVERNMENT WILL**

- Review the Guidance annually
- Publish destinations data at KS4 and KS5

#### SEND

- Consider the widest range of options
  - Raise aspirations
- Help parents/families engage more
- Increase authentic employer encounters
  - Differentiate as appropriate
- Improved career development for Looked After Children/PRUs/AP
  - Multi agency approach
  - Use best practice from Transitions Review
- Two free resources available from Education and Training Foundation website
  - Use 16-19 Bursaries / 19+ if has EHC plan
  - Use Access to work funding job coaches
  - · Careers guidance differentiated, person centred
  - Staff work from the presumption of paid work
- · Career decisions based on students' aspirations and abilities and needs
  - Careers Adviser's skills to coach SEND pupils will be developed through more CPD available
  - Named Careers Advisers encouraged to build longer term relationships with students and use EHC Plans or PEPs to support them

#### **GATSBY BENCHMARKS**

- All schools must meet all 8 by end of 2020
- All pupils all benchmarks Schools encouraged to use the Compass tool to evaluate progress against benchmarks – confidential to school
- Enterprise Advisers can use Tracker to help schools create a Careers Strategy
- Schools encouraged to take the Quality Standards award which will be more closely tied to the benchmarks

#### **SCHOOLS NEED TO:**

- Be responsible for the continuous quality improvement of careers
- A trained Careers Leader must be appointed who runs the Careers Programme and backed by SLT by September 2018
  - Publish the careers programme on the website for pupils parents staff and Governors
    - . Identify a named Governor for Careers
- · Keep systematic records of careers activities and decisions for each child
  - · Have their own dedicated Enterprise Adviser to broker employers
    - Careers Activities should be purchased from organisations
       with the Matrix Quality award
    - Find out if the local Job Centre Plus offers the 'Support for Schools' programme
    - Look out for the 20 new Careers Hubs around the country funded by Government / and funding for Careers Leader training in 500 schools

#### ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

- Careers Guidance is defined as 'the full range of activities under the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks'
- Must secure independent careers guidance which is external to the school - this guidance is defined as careers activities including employer encounters, websites, Apps, phonelines, National Careers Service
- Personal Guidance can be given by trained staff from and in school but must be backed up by external sources
- All pupils should have opportunities for personal guidance interviews with a qualified careers advisor prior to key career decisions at 16 and 18.
   This can be delivered by an internal suitably qualified careers adviser e.g.
   Level 6 QCG or the newer QCD and will be registered with the CDI on their professional register



# Understanding young people with SEND and the key career challenges they face





#### **Careers Landscape for Young People with SEND**

- SEND is an abbreviation for Special Educational Needs /
  Disabilities, sometimes written as SEN or SEN(D) as not everyone
  with SEN has a disability
- Young people with SEND face huge barriers to achieving optimum career outcomes
- Young people with SEND / disabilities or who are vulnerable are:
  - Less likely to achieve qualifications
  - More likely to be NEET
  - More likely to suffer from mental health problems
  - More likely to be homeless
  - More likely to be represented in the criminal justice system
- Your role in their early career development is *critical* to enabling young people with SEND to achieve their career aspirations



#### Careers Landscape for Young People with SEND

- 1.3 million
- Many millions more disadvantaged
- 15% students in mainstream have SEND
- @280,000 have EHC plans
  - 138,630 in mainstream
  - 136,630 in Special School
- Experience poorer career outcomes
- Number One key Career Challenges for young people with SEND - Few employer-driven career opportunities available



# SEND in your world – key stats. 2019/2020

- Number young people with SEND 15.2%
- Primary need in secondary schools / special schools
  - 1. MLD 36.9% ( 20.2%) SLD 39.2% (31.9%)
  - 2. SpLD 21.6% (20%) *ASD 31.9% (31.1%)*
  - 3. SEMH 20.9% (20.8%) PMLD 8.6% (7.3%)
  - 4. ASD 5.5% (10.9%) *MLD 7.8% (11.4%)*
  - 5. SpLangComm 5.3% (12.2%) *SpLangComm (4.4% / 7.3%)*
- GCSE Level 2 EHC/ISP 3.9% (6.4%) SENsup. 11.8% (20%) no SEND 53.6%
- A Levels/L 3 EHC/ISP 8.6% (12.4%) / SEN sup.19.3% (30.9%) no SEND 51% (62%)
- EET 88% KS4 and 100% KS5
- Adults with learning difficulties in paid employment in 2016/17 16% now 10.4% (national 5.2%)

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# Your LEP's number one skills priority...

To inspire and support young people to stay and work in the area



#### Key Career Challenges for young people with SEND

- Low levels of knowledge about who young people with SEND are.
- Families and Carers needing more support
- Personalised support for students with the most complex needs
- Lack of appropriate careers resources.
- Much activity is hyper-local so lacks visibility and may not shared extensively



#### Key Career Challenges for young people with SEND

- Employers wanting to engage with young people with SEND but many are still anxious
- Availability of supported Employment provision and Job Coaches
- Number of employer-driven training and employment opportunities for School Leavers from Special Schools
- College provision varying from place to place
- Shortage of qualified careers advisers with the right skills and knowledge around SEND.



# Who are Young People with SEND?





# Why is it important we know who they are?

- Improves the alignment of careers activities
- Highlights the career possibilities and a discussion around them
- Focuses on positive career outcomes (not on what someone cannot do or potential negatives)
- Generates the right support for all stakeholders involved in the delivery of positive career outcomes
- Raises the possibility of achieving improved career outcomes



# Disadvantaged / vulnerable young people

- May not be formally identified
- Need additional and sensitive support
- Huge numbers for example:
  - 800,000 young carers from age 5
  - 80,000 young people in care at any one time
  - Millions in food poverty
  - 100,000s in households suffering neglect/ abuse, witnessing / suffering domestic violence, family members with dependency issues,



# **Career SEND Groups**

Bring the four groups cited in the SEND Code of Practice together for the purposes of carer planning and development and split into two:

#### Career SEND Group One

- Young people who typically will not take GCSEs/Level 2 qualifications
- Positive career outcomes include supported internships, inclusive apprenticeships, supported employment, volunteering, provision via the Local Offer, T Levels, Traineeships, supported Enterprise/self employment, FE College
- Key issue career opportunities availability

#### Career SEND Group Two

- Young people who typically <u>will take</u> GCSEs/Level 2 qualifications
- Positive career outcomes include University, College, Apprenticeships, Employment, T Levels, Traineeships, Enterprise, Self Employment
- Those with EHC Plans could also access supported career opportunities as for Career SEND Group One
- Key Issue overcoming multiple barriers to career success



### **Positive Career Outcomes**





# Career SEND Group One

#### Positive career outcomes include:

- supported internships
- inclusive apprenticeships
- supported employment
- supported volunteering
- provision via the Local Offer
- T Levels
- Traineeships
- supported Enterprise/self employment
- FE College



## **SEND** in mainstream

- 15% + young people in mainstream will have SEND
- 138,000 in mainstream have EHC plan, most have individual support plans
- Volume challenge
- Career outcomes poorer than peers without SEND
- Millions vulnerable and disadvantaged too not necessarily grouped with SEND
- Career outcomes should be the same as their peers without SEND
- What needs to be different?



#### **Career SEND Group Two**

#### Positive career outcomes include:

- University
- College
- Apprenticeships
- Employment
- T Levels
- Traineeships
- Enterprise
- Self Employment
- Those with EHC Plans could also access supported career opportunities as for Career SEND Group One



# **SEND** in mainstream

- More collaboration between SENCOs and Careers Leaders
- More personalisation of their career development
- More support for the young person, school, families and employers
- More preparation of and with the young person, school, families and employers
- More time devoted to personal development starting earlier – in feeder primary schools
- More aspiration raising



# **Jobs for Skills**





#### We know

- What jobs and training your area has to offer
- Who these young people are
- Where these young people are being educated
- Their probable rate of achievement which is too low
- What gets in the way barriers to success
- Our area achieves better in some areas than others (double national average employment but still 55% less than desired outcome and 30% less than 4 years ago)
- Where we need to pay attention to drive up success
  - At school, in Colleges
  - With employers
  - With Parents, Carers, Families



## **Action Plan for Jobs for Skills**

- Know who your young people with SEND are
- Define the optimum career outcomes (don't just record destination data...)
- Understand your starting point baseline
- Leverage the CEC Network, ECs and EAs
- Improve early career development in school drive up aspirations, support Careers Leaders, extend and improve programmes, more parent/carer/family engagement
- Create value chains that engage employers that continue through and after school e.g. mentoring, coaching, extended work placements and of course training/employment opportunities
- Build employer confidence and knowledge and engagement leading to more opportunities locally
- Schools and Colleges, demand more of each other
- Schools and Colleges and Local Authorities, demand more of each other

# Thank you and questions

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# Cost illustration

- Careers at EVERY Level for special schools to include:
  - Careers Health check
  - Suite staff training videos
  - Full resources
  - 6 weekly newsletters
  - Conference download CPD certified by CDI
  - Covid-safe Delivery
- Cost- Digital £1875 or Heritage £3750 we have 20% off in March so actual prices are £1500 and £3000 plus VAT
- It's in the Box! for SEND in mainstream / SEMH / PRU / AP
  - Careers Health check
  - Face to face staff training at school site by COVID vaccinated Talentino trainers
  - CICO profiling
  - Full resources for students and staff including 'Write your own Careers Story'
  - 6 weekly newsletters
  - Conference download CPD certified by CDI
  - Covid-safe Delivery
- Cost- £3750 we have 20% off in March so actual price is £3500
- Additional training, consultancy, student delivery direct days can be provided at £650 per day for a specialist SEND Education Consultant /Facilitator

