

Support not Suspicion is a research report about the experiences of parents of disabled children from black, Asian and mixed ethnic minority groups.



The Disabled Children's Partnership did the research.



The Disabled Children's Partnership is a group of more than 120 organisations that campaign for disabled children and their families.



Parents of disabled children from black and Asian backgrounds worked as researchers on the project.



They also looked at other research to find out more about the **social care** needs of families of disabled children from ethnic minority groups.



**Social care** can support disabled children take part in the same activities as their non-disabled friends.

Taking part in activities can help disabled children to make friends.



Social care can provide important equipment that disabled children need at home or when out and about.



Social Care can also support disabled children with washing, dressing and eating at home.



But parents said it was hard to get support from social care.



When parents asked for help/support, they felt that social care was checking how good they are instead of supporting them.



Families said they need more support to understand their child's disability and what they might need as they grow up.



They also experienced racism when they tried to get support



This made them feel more isolated.



The Disabled Children's Partnership want the government to look at the needs of families with disabled children, from black and Asian ethnic minority groups.

