

Help for Seriously Ill Children

Social medical aftercare supports seriously ill children and their families.

This means:

A team of specialists provides support at home after a hospital stay – for example with care, organisation, or dealing with the illness.

Inpatient Stay (in Hospital)

When a child is very ill, they often have to stay in hospital for a long time.
The aftercare team already starts helping there:

It plans the time after discharge.

It works together with doctors and nurses.

After Discharge (Back at Home)

After leaving the hospital, the aftercare team visits families at home.
It continues to help there:

- with doctor's appointments
- with therapies
- with organisation
- and with dealing with the illness

Everything is tailored to the family's needs.

Dedicated Contact Persons

Every family is assigned one permanent person from the team – a so-called “case manager.”
This person:

- knows the child and the family well
- helps with problems

- plans together with the family
- accompanies and coordinates the aftercare

For You as Parents

Our tasks include:

We talk with you about concerns and questions.

We show you how you can help your child.

We help if you have many doctor's or therapy appointments.

We assist with applications or forms.

We also help with discussions with authorities, schools, or daycare.

Our Special Focus Areas (Topics we specialise in)

Premature and high-risk infants

Children with neurological diseases

Children with heart defects

Children with cancer

Children with rare diseases and genetic syndromes

Children after major surgery or accidents

Aftercare is Prevention

This means: Good support after a hospital stay helps the child to get better and ensures problems are recognised early.