

Outcomes First Group Celebrates Receiving a National Award

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Outcomes First Group has received an Education Investor Award for the effective way its in-house clinical team supports the education team in delivering shared goals, in particular at Options Barton. The Education Investor Awards, which was launched seven years ago, recognises excellence in the UK's fast paced education industry.

Awards were presented in 28 categories, judged by a panel of 21 industry experts, and Outcomes First Group received an award in the 'School Operator- Private Schools Group' category.

Options Barton, which is run by Options and is part of Outcomes First Group, provides a holistic service to children with autistic spectrum conditions (ASC) and associated complex needs. The bespoke, person centred service can cater for stays between one night and 52 weeks per year, and can offer day or residential education placements via the main school or a specialist unit.

The service, which recently celebrated its 10th anniversary, has adopted Options' unique clinical model. The clinical model has an in-house team of experts in each service, made up of highly skilled and experience psychologist and therapists, to look at the individual as a whole and work in a joined up approach across residential and educational settings. This shared understanding gives the teams a way of supporting the individuals in Options care to ensure the best outcomes. Through this holistic approach Options is able to work with each individual to devise a person-centred plan which best meets their needs.

Options Barton offers a wide range of on-site facilities, providing young people with the opportunity to develop their interests and skills. On-site facilities include an autism specific playground, an outside wet playground with water cannon, a hydrotherapy pool and a sensory room.

Members of staff from Outcomes First Group attended the awards ceremony on Wednesday 16th November, which was presented by BBC News night's Kirsty Wark, at the Lancaster London Hotel.

Outcomes First Group Chief Executive Officer, Graham Baker, said everyone was thrilled by the award.

"Our clinical team and staff continuously work together to ensure the highest standard of care, education and support, and it is fantastic that we have received a national award. Our clinical model is unique, and offers dynamic, adaptable and compassionate support to work towards positive goals and reaching the desired outcomes of each individual.

"We are absolutely thrilled to have received the award, and are all very proud to have received this recognition for the care and support we provide."

