

WEBSITE ANNOUNCEMENT

NFA Group is pleased to announce the acquisition today of Outcomes First Group from Sovereign Capital.

Outcomes First Group is a specialist provider of outcomes-led learning, life skill, and therapeutic care for children, young people and adults with autism, complex needs and Social Emotional and Mental Health difficulties (SEMH), operating as three service divisions:

- 1. Options Autism and Learning Disabilities, an ASC and complex needs division with 6 specialist schools for children, 1 specialist college and 19 care homes for children and adults with specialist care needs
- 2. Hillcrest Children's Services, an SEMH division, operating 6 specialist day schools and 26 specialist children's care homes in England
- 3. A small fostering agency, Sunflower Fostering, based in the Midlands.

The NFA Group is proud of our relentless commitment to quality with 93% of services rated good or outstanding by Ofsted and Welsh and Scottish Inspectorates. Outcomes First Group is also one of the highest quality-rated large providers as published by Ofsted and Inspectorates.

The NFA Group has grown continuously during its 20+ year history as it has successfully joined forces with several established fostering agencies, SEN schools and children's residential homes across the country.

David Leatherbarrow, Group Chief Executive for NFA Group said "The two Groups naturally complement each other and as such I believe this is a positive move for us all, in particular the children and adults we educate and care for. Outcomes First Group's ASC and SEMH specialisms are a huge strength and this will enhance our ability to create an integrated pathway of care across fostering, education and residential care. It reaffirms our commitment to building incredible futures for vulnerable young people in the UK."

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Note to editors:

The NFA Group is a leading children's services provider in the UK with over two decades of experience in providing high-quality foster care, education and residential services to vulnerable children and young people, providing them with a safe and nurturing environment in which to learn, grow and succeed.

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