

## Information & Services For Refugees, Asylum Seekers and Migrants

### Health

#### **Homeless and Vulnerable Persons Service**

Provides health assessments and advice, parenting advice, advocacy and support. Weekly health drop-in at SWAP & LASARS by specialist nurse who works with asylum seekers & refugees and vulnerable migrants. For referral criteria and information : **Tel: 01942 775757**

#### **Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture (North West)**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, North Square, 11 – 13 Spear Street  
MANCHESTER, M1 1JU

**Contact:** Elizabeth Kurtis or Jude Boyles

**Tel:**       **0161 236 5744**

**Website:** [www.torturecare.org.uk](http://www.torturecare.org.uk)

#### **Spinning World (PSS)**

A specialist psychological therapy service in Wigan borough to improve the mental and emotional well being of migrant and refugee people who have experienced human rights abuses, torture and trauma.

Referrals can be made by statutory and voluntary agencies, self-referrals or concerned family and friends via the Liverpool office, who will refer to the appropriate venue in Wigan Borough

**Tel : 0151 702 5503**

**Fax : 0151 702 5566**

**E-mail :** [spinningworld@pss.org.uk](mailto:spinningworld@pss.org.uk)

#### **George House Trust**

77 Ardwick Green North, Manchester, M12 6FX

**Tel: 0161 274 4499**

[www.ght.org.uk](http://www.ght.org.uk)

HIV voluntary organisation, supporting those living with & affected by HIV

#### **Health Protection Agency Migrant Health Guide:**

Web based guide on a wide range of migrant health issues

<http://www.hpa.org.uk/migranthealthguide>

#### **Patient Allocations Department**

LASCA : Help and support if difficulty registering with a doctor.

**Tel : 01772 221341**

**Fax : 01772 221447**

#### **Department of Health Asylum Team**

Lynda Norton

Asylum Seeker Coordination Team.

Department of Health

**Tel: 0113 2546605**

#### **Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)**

Patient Relations (Hospital): **01942 822376**

Primary Care Trust: (e.g. GP, Dentist) **01942 482956**

Community Healthcare: ( e.g. District nursing, physiotherapy) **01942 482778**

5 Boroughs (Mental Health services): **01925 664450**

#### **Health Inclusion & Equalities Team**

The team are based in the Public Health Department, and work with organisations, services and community groups to support health improvement initiatives, commissioning, training, development and advice to promote inclusion, equality & diversity

Contact: Linda Adhana

**Tel: 01942 482530**

**Email:** [linda.adhana@alwpct.nhs.uk](mailto:linda.adhana@alwpct.nhs.uk)

### Asylum Seeker Housing and Accommodation

#### **Asylum Seeker Housing Providers :**

##### **Priority Properties North West Ltd.**

**Contact:** Wayne Roberts – Tel: **0161 708 0370**

##### **United Property Management**

**Contact:** Dean Randle – Tel: **0161 202 0201**

#### **Private Sector Housing Team**

Kennedy House

Brunswick Street

LEIGH

WN7 2PJ

**Contact:** Sarah Fontana – Tel: **01942 733345**

E-mail: [s.fontana@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:s.fontana@wigan.gov.uk)

## Children and Young People

### Education Support Service (Schools)

English as an Additional Language Team (EAL)  
Leigh Town Hall  
Market Street  
LEIGH  
WN7 1DY  
**Tel: 01942 404587**

### Rafiki and Motswako Projects

Children and Young People Services  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Hindley Town Hall  
Hindley  
WN2 3AX  
**Tel: 01942 705398**  
Black Minority & Ethnic youth work

## English Classes

### ESOL: Wigan & Leigh College

The **English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Centre** at the College is there to meet linguistic needs with experienced and well-qualified teachers in a friendly environment.

**Contact:** Lucy Hale

**Tel: 01942 761563**

**Email:** [l.hale@wigan-leigh.ac.uk](mailto:l.hale@wigan-leigh.ac.uk)

## Advice Services & Support (Immigration Issues, legal Advice and Benefits)

### Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

Lisa Kidston  
Gerard Winstanley House  
Crawford Street  
Wigan  
WN1 1NA  
**Tel: 01942 241113**

**Website:** [www.wigancab.org](http://www.wigancab.org)

### Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

Nasi Tabrizi  
6 The Avenue  
Leigh  
WN7 1ES  
**Tel: 01942 267962**

### Refugee Action

23-37 Edge street  
Manchester  
M4 1HW  
**Helpline : 0800 917 2719 (asylum seekers only)**  
**Helpline : 0161 831 5420 (agencies only)**  
**Fax : 0161 236 4285**  
**Website :** <http://www.refugee-action.org.uk/>

### British Red Cross: International Family Tracing Services

**Tel: 0161 888 8932**  
**Website:** [www.redcross.org.uk](http://www.redcross.org.uk)

## Support Groups and Drop Ins

### Support for Wigan Arrivals Project (SWAP)

(Previously known as Friendly Faces)  
Groundwork Lancashire West & Wigan, 74 - 80  
Hallgate,  
Wigan, WN1 1HP  
**Contact : 01942 614486**  
E-mail: [info@swapwigan.org](mailto:info@swapwigan.org)  
Website: [www.swapwigan.org](http://www.swapwigan.org)

### Leigh Asylum Seekers and Refugees Support (LASARS)

**LASARS Office**, Fit 4 Life, King Street, Leigh, WN7 4JL  
**Drop In :** Kingsleigh Methodist Youth Centre Leigh  
**Contact:** Jean Richardson  
**Tel: 01942 678574**  
E-mail: [help@lasars.org](mailto:help@lasars.org) Website:[www.lasars.org](http://www.lasars.org)

### Wigan Welcome

Saturday drop in :  
Queens Hall, Methodist Mission,  
46 Market Street, Wigan, WN1 1HX  
**Contact: Jean Parker**  
**Tel: 07832146301**

### Leigh Community Integration Project (LCIP)

85 Church Street  
Leigh  
WN7 1AZ  
**Contact:** Julia Mwaluke  
**Tel: 01942 607186**  
**07956686861**  
**E-mail:** [leigh.cip@fsmail.net](mailto:leigh.cip@fsmail.net)

### Lancashire Kurdish Cultural Association (LKCA)

35a Sunderland Place  
Marsh Green Wigan  
WN5 0QT  
**Contact:** Sulleyman Mohammed  
**Tel: 07709755149**

## Interpreter Services

**Please refer to your departmental guidelines for information on how to book an interpreter**