Glossary of SEND Acronyms

ACE adverse childhood experience

ADD attention deficit disorder

ADHD attention deficit hyperactivity disorder

AP alterative provision

ASC autistic spectrum condition

CAMHS Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

C/I communication and interaction

C/L cognition and learning

DLD developmental language delay

EAL English as an additional language

EBSA Emotional Based School Non-Attendance

EHCP education health and care plan

EP educational psychologist

HI hearing impairment

HLTA higher level teaching assistant

IAAS independent advice and support service

LA local authority

LSA learning support assistant

MLD moderate learning difficulty

OT occupational therapist

PT physiotherapist

SALT speech and language therapy

SEMH social, emotional and mental health

SEND special educational needs and disabilities

SENDCo special educational needs and disabilities coordinator

SLCN speech, language and communication needs

S/P sensory and physical

SpLD specific learning difficulty

TUF top up funding

VI visually impairment