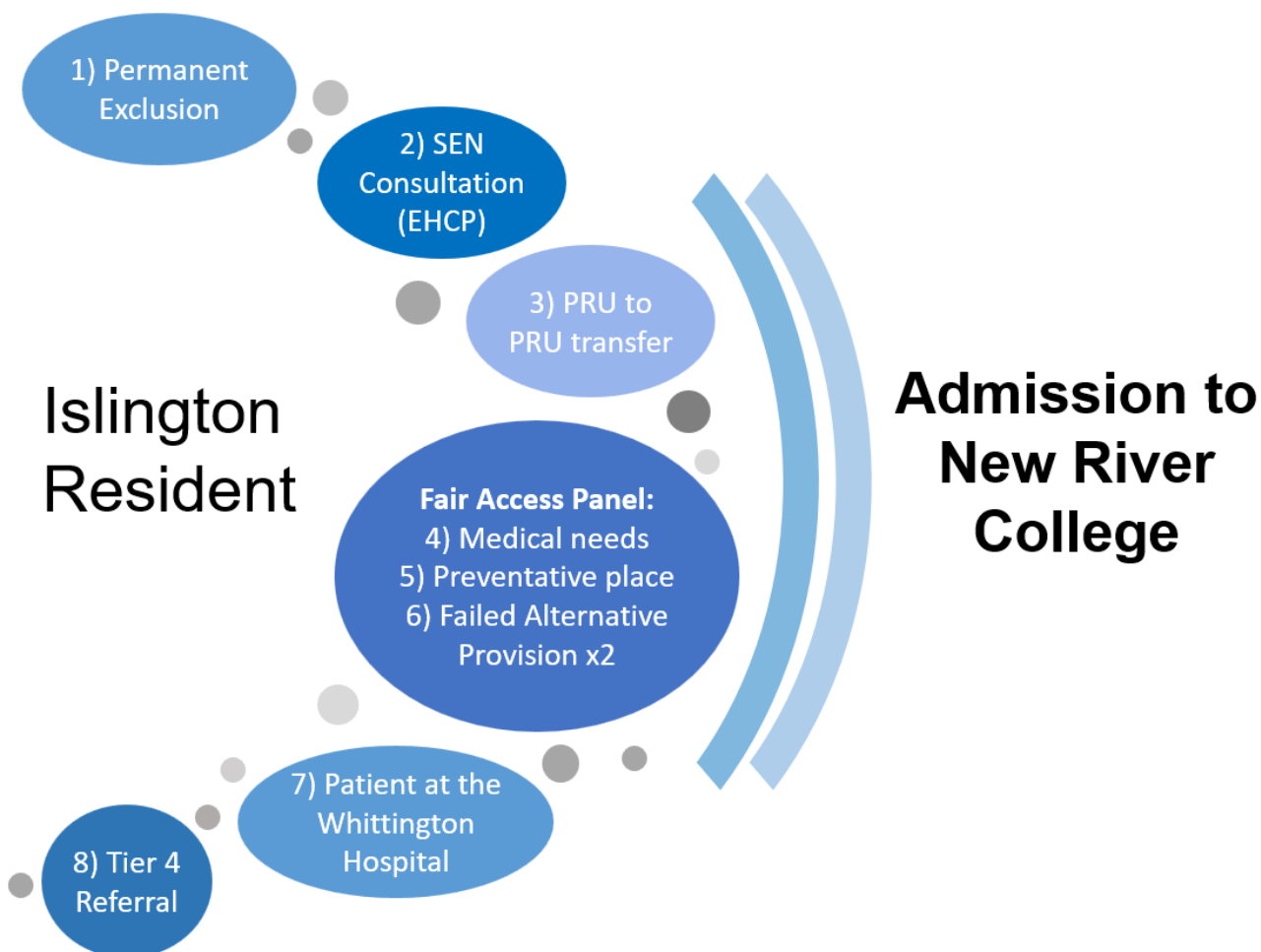


ADMISSIONS

Pupils can be referred to New River College in a number of ways. The diagram below shows the ~~seven~~ principle routes via which a young person can be admitted to New River College. These routes can be either direct (1-3) or indirect via the Fair Access Panel (FAP) or Securing Education Board (SEB) (4-6).



1. Any Islington Resident (SEN or not) Permanently Excluded

Any pupil who is permanently excluded from an Islington school is automatically referred by the Local Authority to New River College (NRC). Following this referral, a place at the appropriate NRC site will be arranged within six days. The pupil in question will attend NRC for at least the period during which the formal exclusion process is carried out and beyond, should the decision to permanently exclude be upheld.

2. Education, Health and Care Plan

In cases where a school of any type feel that they are not best placed meet the educational needs of a pupil with an EHCP the Local Authority, after an annual review, is able to ask NRC to consider whether the needs of the pupil can be met. It will then be decided, in consultation with the SEN team at the Local Authority, whether NRC is able to provide the necessary support for the pupil in question. Where the referral is approved a place at the appropriate NRC site will be found as soon as possible.

3. PRU to PRU Transfer (PEX)

Pupils who have being permanently excluded from mainstream education and are already receiving their education at a Pupil Referral Unit outside of the London Borough of Islington can be referred to NRC if they are to become resident in the borough. Following notification from the Local Authority a PRU to PRU transfer will be arranged and place at the appropriate NRC site will be found.

4. Medical Needs

Pupils with either short term or long term medical needs which prevent them from attending their mainstream education provider are referred to the Fair Access Panel (FAP), the body responsible for administering Islington Council's Fair Access Protocol. FAP meetings take place on a monthly basis and will consider referrals on a case-by-case basis. Where it is agreed that a pupil's medical needs are preventing them from attending school and the relevant medical evidence is in place, they will be referred to NRC Medical and will either receive teaching in School, or via home tuition or education in the community. Pupils receiving education from NRC Medical in either capacity will be assessed on a regular basis and will return to their home school if and when they are able to do so.

5. Any pupil in an Islington School – Preventative Place

Pupils in Islington schools who are at risk of permanent exclusion, or have on-going social, emotional and mental health challenges, can be referred by their home school to the Fair Access Panel (FAP) for secondary aged pupils and Securing Education Board (SEB) for primary aged pupils, which will then decide whether a short-term preventative place at NRC is appropriate in order to address concerns over the pupil's behaviour and facilitate a return to mainstream as soon as possible.

6. Failed Alternative Provision

As an alternative to mainstream education, pupils within the London Borough of Islington can be placed in an Alternative Provision (AP) to receive their education. In cases where two such placements have broken down the pupil can be referred to NRC via the Fair Access Panel.

7. Patient at Whittington Hospital

Our classroom on the Ifor (Children's) Ward at Whittington Hospital, which is for pupils aged between five and 18 who are able to access and engage in education during their hospital stay

8. Tier 4 Referral

For Islington resident pupils stepping down from Tier 4 provision, pupils will be referred to NRC Medical and will either receive teaching in School, or via home tuition or education in the community.