Information to Remember

Make sure you know all this information about the university you will be attending

Write it down and keep it somewhere where you can access it easily

- Who is your registered GP at university
- ♦ Medication list
- Accommodation address
- Emergency contact details
- Mostimportantly, ENJOY YOURSELF!!

Do you have a long term health condition?

Are you going to University?

Living away from home?

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Planning before you go

Deciding on what university you want to go to is a big step, but following this advice will help ease in making a decision, taking your medical condition into account.

- <u>Research</u> the university by looking at their website
- ♦ Go to an open day
- Have a good <u>look</u> around at the university
- Where is the university medical centre?
- ♦ Where is the nearest hospital?
- ♦ Where can you get medication?
- ♦ What is the accommodation like?

- Ask questions about your medical needs beforehand as not all universities have the same systems in place
- Ask your GP or medical consultant if there are any links to support in the area you have chosen
- Make sure you let your parents/guardian know all this information as well



What to do when you get there

After getting into the university of your choice, what can I do once I am there?

- <u>Tell</u> the university tutor s you have a medical condition
- <u>Register</u> with your GP at the university as soon as possible
- <u>Tell</u> flatmates about your medical condition, <u>BUT</u> only if you feel comfortable to do so
- Know what resources are available to you and your own specific needs

Tips and Advice

- Never be afraid to ask any questions you want
- Will your medication affect your university lifestyle? As in needing more time in exams and deadlines for projects
- Have a system in planning, collecting and remembering to take your medication
- Listen to your body
- Managing your emotional and mental stresses and anxieties. Make sure you know what resources are available
- ♦ DONOT FEEL pressurised by your peers
- If unsure about drinking alcohol in relation to medication then ASK
- Carry a card with details of your medical condition, any risks and current medication

