

TRANSCRIPT: Julie, Lia's mum

About Lia

I have a eight year old daughter called Lia. Lia's got Cerebral Palsy, which affects all of her body. She's totally dependent on an adult around her. She can't do anything for herself and communication is very difficult, unless you know her very well.

She needs somebody to help her with all of her personal care. She has a bath every single night, sometimes even in the mornings. Obviously, sitting in a nappy all day and all night, you need to keep her nice and clean and fresh. She can also get very sore, very quickly down below. So we do use a lot of creams and talcs and things. The school have to change her nappies and they have to look out for whether she's getting sore, which she can do a lot. They've got various different creams that they keep at school.

Lia can't feed through her mouth orally. She gets fed via a tube into her tummy. That can also get very sore 'cause it can leak. So they have to keep an eye on that. School needs to feed Lia though the tummy as well.