

CELCIS – Your right to continuing care

Emma's Story

Continuing Care whilst attending university

Corporate parent

Hey, Emma, you look worried. What's the matter? And you're excited to be starting university?

Emma

Well, yeah, but I don't know if I can move into student halls like most of the other students. I really want to, but I don't know what to do during the holidays and that.

Corporate parent

Ahh, I see. You should know that you have the right to continuing care until you're 21, though! As long as your local authority are super clear that that is what you want to do. I know our campus cat Jelly has helped lots of people with stuff like this before too.

Emma

Oh, really? How do I do that though? I wouldn't know who else to speak to about it.

Jelly the cat

Don't worry - speak to the people who look after you and let them know what you'd like to do. Your social worker can also make sure this is clear in all of your plans and assessments so that the local authority knows you'd like to go back if you want to.

Emma

I didn't know that. Thank you so much, Jelly. I'll get in touch with my social worker and ask them to start making a plan for me.

Corporate parent

Come on then, Emma. Let's show you around!

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