

Speech and Language Therapy

Early Language Programme

What is it?

This is an intervention which targets **early words** (including nouns, verbs, and concepts) by modelling language through play, as well as supporting families to increase natural **communication opportunities**.

How is it run?

We are offering **four clinic** sessions with one of our speech and language therapy assistants.

The child will need to be present at the session, and **parent engagement** is essential. You will be given homework sheets after each session.

These sessions are typically aimed at children **under 4** years old but can be adapted for different ages as needed.

Why will it help?

This intervention supports children who are using very few words but have a good situational understanding and early play skills.

It uses **play-based** sessions with physical **objects** and some simple **signing** to support early language development.

Parents are encouraged to **participate** in sessions to be able to use the strategies at home as this will support the child's development beyond the specific vocabulary covered in the sessions.

We encourage you to attend all sessions, to ensure your child has access to the full level of support from this intervention.

What do I do next?

Following the intervention, your child will either be handed back to the caseload holder or discharged as appropriate.

To continue to generalise the skills worked on in these sessions, you should:

- Continue to use the strategies at home to model single words. Tie this in with activities your child is interested in.
- Remember to follow the child's lead and get down to their level.
- Reduce questions and make more comments.
- Use a lot of gestures and facial expressions.

Who do I contact?

You can contact our administration staff with any queries:

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Halifax - 01422 261340

If you have any comments about this leaflet or the service you have received you can contact :

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If you would like this information in another format or language contact the above.

Potřebujete-li tyto informace v jiném formátu nebo jazyce, obraťte se prosím na výše uvedené oddělení

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