

# Children's Speech and Language Therapy Service

## Complex Needs Team



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**PATIENT  
INFORMATION**

## SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY CHILDREN WITH COMPLEX NEEDS



**Keep in Touch....**

Your child has been assessed by our team, and ideas to support your child's communication have been agreed. You are now able to access our **drop-in appointments** at John Parkes Unit with a Speech and Language Therapist.

If you would like help, advice or support with your child's communication then **please phone to arrange an appointment.**

You will usually be offered an appointment **within 2 weeks.**

There is no need for a re-referral or to go on a waiting list

If your child attends a special school, you may prefer to book a drop in appointment at one of our regular clinics at **Mayfield School; Bidwell Brook School** and **Combe Pafford School** - contact us for clinic dates

**Families need to contact us** when they are ready for more support - please don't wait for us to contact you

## Communication TOP TIPS



### Get my attention by:

Coming down to my level, be face to face

### WAIT.....

Until I look at your face – then respond

### Show me what you mean:

Use objects, signs, symbols or photos



### S-L-O-W down your speech:

Give me TIME to think and respond

### Simplify your language

Use key words and signs



### HAVE FUN!!!!

