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Raise your hand if...

- You feel confident assessing speech, language and communication development in children

- You feel confident supporting children / families with speech, language and communication needs
Raise your hand if....

• Speech, language and communication development was part of your initial health visitor education / training

• You have had CPD / training on speech, language and communication development and needs since qualifying as a health visitor
Communication Trust Survey (2017)

• 21% of health visitors felt confident in their ability to support children's speech language and communication (SLC) development.

• 44% received little or no training around SLC development in their initial training.

• 59% received little or no training / CPD around SLC development working as a health visitor.
SLC development and children

- Evidence shows that speech, language and communication are fundamental life skills and have a profound impact on life chances.
- The development of speech, language and communication skills affects academic achievement, behaviour, mental health and employability in later life.
- Speech, language and communication needs are extremely common, yet often invisible:

  (Communication Trust, 2017)
Impact of SLCN

For example:

• 60% of young offenders have a speech, language and communication need (SLCN) (Bryan et al, 2007)

• 88% of long-term unemployed people have a SLCN. (Elliot, 2009)
Named Person Order 2016

Named Person required to have undertaken undergraduate, post-graduate or professional training in:

• child development

• assessing and profiling the speech, language and communication abilities and needs of children, young people and parents
SLC: Giving Children the best possible start in life

• On-line resource – accessible on computer, lap-top, tablet, mobile phone.

• Based on universal health visiting pathway and GRIFEC principles

• Interactive – can dip in and out of sections as needed

• Information available in PDF format
SLC: Giving Children the best possible start in life

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References/ Resources


• CYP (Scotland) Act. 2014

  Accessible on-line from: http://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/workforcesurvey

References / Resources

  Accessible on line from: http://www.ican.org.uk/~/media/Ican2/Whats%0the%20Issue/Evidence/2%20The%20Cost%20to%20the%20Nation%20of%20Children%20s%20Poor%20Communication%20pdf.ashx

- Named Person (Training, Qualifications, Experience and Position) (Scotland) Order [2016]
  Accessible on-line from: http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2016/16/article/2/made

- Health Visiting / School Nursing Community Of Practice