

Website

The website www.stammeringcentre.org has a dedicated area for speech and language therapists, including:

- a referral form for SLT's;
- information about the consultation;
- resources for working with school aged children who stammer and the "Wait Wait I'm not finished yet" DVD;
- information about stammering publications and the evidence base; and
- our training courses including application forms.

Commissioners

It also has a dedicated area for commissioners that may be helpful to you and your team.

Outcomes

Please see the website if you wish to know more about the programmes of therapy that we offer and their evidence base.

Helpline

We run a helpline service for families and professionals seeking advice about a child or young person who stammers or clutters.

Some therapists contact us to discuss assessment or therapy options and to talk about particular clients and/or whether to make a referral.



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Information for Speech and Language Therapists attending Consultations and Reviews



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Consultations and Reviews

(funded by Action for Stammering Children)

We value working closely with local SLT teams. The most appropriate therapist to attend the consultation or review is someone who knows the client so we can make shared decisions about future management.

Where possible, if the attending SLT has some experience/ training in working with clients who stammer, and will be available to work with the client in future, this will make it easier for you to deliver further local therapy, if required. We request that local language assessment is completed prior to the consultation.

At the start of the consultation/ review the MPC team talks to the local SLT about previous therapy/ progress. Typically the local SLT then observes the parent interview. When the child assessment and parent interview are completed the local SLT discusses the findings with the MPC team so that shared decisions can be made. If therapy is to be carried out locally we will write to you and the family to offer you a review in 6 months time. In the event that further therapy at the MPC is indicated we will discuss the options with you and outline funding implications.

Some therapists choose to attend the consultation or review appointment via Skype.

Clinical Reports

Following the assessment you will receive a copy of the clinical report for your client with the agreed recommendations.

Training

We are committed to developing SLT's knowledge and confidence in working with clients who stammer. A full programme of training courses is available on our website including a 'Which course to take' guide depending on your experience and interest. Action for Stammering Children subsidises the Centre's comprehensive programme of training.



Supervision

We offer individual and group supervision. This typically takes place on a monthly or bi-monthly basis either face-to-face or via Skype.

Research

We run a programme of research, investigating the nature of stammering and its impact on children, adults and their families. Studies of the effectiveness of therapy are also being carried out at the Centre. Look out on our website for information about latest courses, conferences and study days.

“Our specialist amended the care pathway as a result of the training so fewer CWS are put on review and more are listed for direct therapy.” SLT Manager

“The supervision sessions have been really helpful in terms of really fine-tuning what I learnt at the training and how to put it into practice and also in terms of working with CWS who have additional needs”.

“The consultation was very thorough, very accurate and very reassuring strategies of how to praise.”

“I have found the supervision extremely valuable in my working practice. It has been really helpful to discuss the difficult cases and has stopped me feeling 'oh what do I do now?’” SLT, Central London