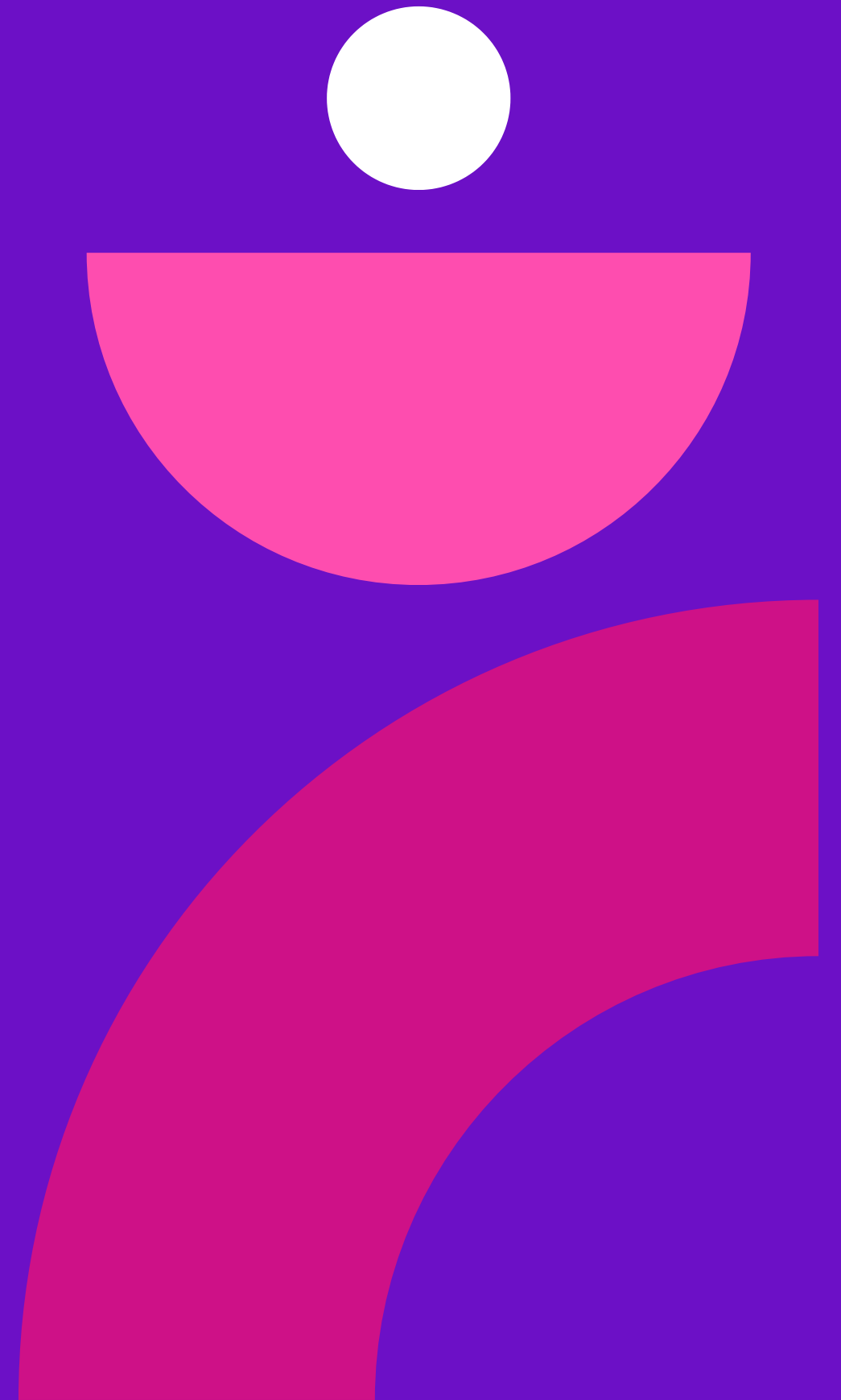




# Specialist Paediatric Speech and Language Therapy Services

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## SERVICE OUTLINE

Our team of specialist speech and language therapists are experienced, friendly and approachable. They regularly support families on a 1:1 basis or assist as part of a bigger multi-disciplinary team.

All seven speech and language therapists at TCT bring different areas of clinical expertise to the team. Through their combined experience, they offer a wide range of the latest skills and SLT techniques.

The service helps children and young adults aged 0-18. If the young person is known to us, then we are happy to transition them past 18 and into their early 20's.

We will work with care and patience to support individuals and their families. Our services are safe, effective, and fun to ensure the child feels comfortable and relaxed throughout the process

For fees, please refer to our Fees and Services document.



## Services Offered

### **EARLY LANGUAGE**

This service is for children who are delayed with beginning their understanding and/or use of verbal language. The team will provide advice, modelling, and ideas you can use throughout the day to help your child develop their early language skills. We can also work with nurseries and pre-school settings to promote good language modelling from all aspects of your child's day to help kick start their language development.

### **LANGUAGE DISORDER**

We provide assessment, diagnosis and therapy for children and adolescents with language disorders. We can share advice and training with schools to ensure that the appropriate support is in place for reducing the impact of language disorder on access to learning. Therapy can also be carried out at school, clinic or home.



## **SPEECH DELAYS AND DISORDERS**

Assessment, diagnosis, and therapy to suit your child's speech sound difficulties. The therapist will recommend the frequency of any sessions following initial assessment. Advice and recommendations for home and education forms part of the therapy to speed up learning and generalisation.

## **SOCIAL COGNITION**

Difficulties with social cognition can be part of an ASD but are not always. We offer therapy to develop social cognition for those children and teenagers who have difficulty with friendships, with interacting in a way that is socially expected and with understanding the perspectives/motivation of others.

## **DYSPHAGIA**

Our SLT team hold post-graduate qualifications in dysphagia and have extensive experience of working with a wide range of children who experience eating and drinking difficulties. We can assess (face-to-face or online), then provide detailed recommendations, reports, guidelines and therapy to support children with dysphagia. We can also provide support to children with sensory feeding difficulties.



## AAC (ALTERNATIVE AND AUGMENTATIVE COMMUNICATION)

AAC can help a wide variety of children who find it difficult to communicate and be understood verbally. Our team works with a variety of AAC ranging from low to high tech. They can assess, write and deliver therapy programmes, provide training and support on many different aspects of AAC.

### Signing

- Whole school signing training
- Signing groups/workshops
- Pick and mix activities
- Sign along training delivered by a trained Sign Along tutor

### Low tech

- Resource making using Boardmaker (PCS symbols) e.g. visual schedules, symbol charts
- Communication books including PODD books
- Switches, Cheaptalks
- E-tran frames

### Hightech

- Communication aids e.g. iPads, Windows tablets, eyegaze devices
- Software: The Grid, Snap + core, Insight, Look to Learn, Look to Read
- Environmental control



### **FACE TO FACE**

Assessments, therapy sessions, reviews, and joint appointments.



### **ONLINE**

These do not suit everyone, however TCT's SLT team has great success with virtual sessions and has developed interactive and fun ways to support children and young adults remotely



### **GARDENS/ OUTSIDE**

These sessions are very effective although weather dependent!



### **CONSULTANCY & ADVOCACY**

TCT's OT are excellent at trouble shooting, and offering support, advice, and recommendations.

On request following individual discussions the SLT team can help to represent the child/family at meetings, or by written submissions.



FOR FURTHER DETAILS OR TO MAKE A BOOKING

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