

SUPPORT FOR YOUR CHILD'S SPEECH & LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT



Not sure where to start?

If your child isn't talking, understanding language, or communicating the way you'd expect for their age, you're not alone – and free help is available right here in the City of Casey.

The earlier you reach out, the more support is available – even if you're only just starting to wonder if there's a delay.

Talk to someone you already see

- **Maternal and Child Health (MCH) nurse** – free health and development checks at every Key Ages and Stages visit, with referrals provided to appropriate services if needed. Call 9705 5590.
- **Your GP** – can refer your child to a paediatrician, or provide a Medicare plan for subsidised speech therapy sessions.
- **Your child's kinder or childcare educator** – they see your child regularly and can help start a referral or support plan.

Free-speech pathology & assessment

- **Monash Health Community (Child and Family Program)** – free/bulk-billed speech pathology for children living in or attending childcare/kinder in Casey. Call (03) 8572 5631. [Child and Family | Monash Health](#)
- **LCHS Link Health and Community** – the NDIS Early Childhood Partner for Casey, Cardinia and Greater Dandenong. Free support for children under 6 with a developmental delay (or under 9 with a disability), and can help with a NDIS access request if eligible. Call 1800 546 532. Email: ecei.link.lchs@ndis.gov.au; or visit www.ndis.gov.au 'The Early Childhood Approach' www.lchs.com.au

Other options

- **Playgroups** – local playgroups that build language and social skills alongside other families. [Playgroups | City of Casey](#)
- **NDIS funding** – for children needing longer-term support, apply through Link HC (see above). [How to apply | NDIS](#)
- **Private speech pathologists** – often faster access; ask your GP about a Medicare rebate or check your private health extras.

Resources

[Search | Raising Children Network](#)
[Communication-Milestone-Poster-2018.pdf](#)



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