

## Services offered

You are able to access a range of services to help your children to reach their potential. We offer you choices that include;

- Individual assessments
- Autism and Aspergers diagnosis
- Individualized therapy sessions planned specifically for your child
- School based services in some schools
- Home and childcare visits
- Speech assistant programs for those who need support on a budget
- Professional development can be organised for teachers and support staff.
- Educational resources that support families to keep learning at home
- Informative website, newsletters and blogs at [www.talkingmatters.com.au](http://www.talkingmatters.com.au)

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**Helping your  
child reach their  
potential**

## What will happen in the first session?

When you come along to your first appointment

- You will have the chance to explain your concerns and the speech pathologist will ask you some questions.
- Some testing will be done to understand your child's areas of strength and need.
- The speech pathologist will talk to you about her findings and your options for therapy if required.
- Usually you will be sent a brief report and some recommendations in the following 2 weeks.
- Fun ideas and activities will be provided so your child can practice at home or school as well.
- In therapy sessions your child will have fun while learning new skills and building confidence.



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**Speech pathologists helping your child  
reach their potential**

**For families who want  
the best for their  
children, because  
communication is the  
key to a better life!**

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## Who are we?

We are a group of passionate speech pathologists and tutors who provide families with opportunities to help their children reach their potential. Communication is the key to a better life, and families have the choice to;

- decide not to wait on long public lists
- have someone help you make sense of your options
- have regular therapy
- develop an ongoing relationship with a clinician who cares about you and your child
- let us help your child be more successful and happier.

## Government Initiatives

If you are eligible for any of the governments funding initiatives for speech pathology we can assist you. All speech pathologists with Talking Matters are registered to provide services with Medicare, and the FaHCSIA Early Intervention for Autism and Better Start programs. More information available on our website.

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## Does my child need help?

Communication difficulties take many forms. Speech pathology services may be required if your child has difficulties with any of the following:

- Speaking fluently e.g. getting stuck on words or repeating words or sounds.

More info <http://www.talkingmatters.com.au/communication/stuttering>

- Saying sounds in words correctly e.g. “tat” for “cat”, or leaving sounds out of words, e.g. “nake” for “snake”. <http://www.talkingmatters.com.au/communication/speech>

- Following directions as well as other children.

- Using a range of words and grammar when they talk and write. <http://www.talkingmatters.com.au/communication/language>

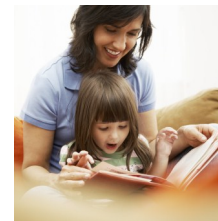
- Learning to read, spell or retell a story.

<http://www.talkingmatters.com.au/communication/literacy>

- Keeping up with learning in the classroom.

## Appointments

Getting started is easy. Just call our office on Ph 8255 7137 and make an appointment to see one of our friendly team.



## Investment

We have committed to keep our prices fixed at the following rates until the 1st of Jan 2013.

### Treatment sessions

- \$75 per half hour session

### Assessment sessions

- \$90 **per half hour** (time needed usually ranges from 90 mins to 2 hours)
- \$5 discount for healthcare card holders
- A \$50 deposit is required to book assessments. This is deducted from the assessment fee on the day of service.
- For Autism Assessments and school visits please phone for prices.

All sessions require payment on the day. Most services attract rebates if you have speech pathology cover on your health insurance.

## Cancellations

If you are unable to attend an appointment, please let us know to avoid cancellation fees;

- 24 hours notice for therapy sessions
- 48 hours notice for assessment sessions