

# Rapid Response

This information leaflet is to help you to understand how Rapid Response could benefit your child.

## What is Rapid Response?

Rapid Response sessions are provided by a Speech and Language Therapist (SLT) as quickly as possible following your child's first assessment of their speech, language and communication skills.

A maximum of four sessions will be offered, depending on your child's needs.

These sessions take place in the home.

Active participation is an **essential** part of the Rapid Response sessions. The SLT will expect parents/carers to join in the play and try the strategies/suggestions discussed.

## Who is it for?

Children who have been identified as requiring intervention following either a Child Development Team or Triage appointment and are new referrals to the Special Needs SLT service.

## What is the purpose of Rapid Response?

The sessions aim to inform your family about the Special Needs Speech and Language Therapy Service; including the various types of support available for your child.

The sessions also aim to identify your child's strengths and weaknesses with communication.

Rapid Response sessions will aim to provide your family with practical advice and guidance to support the development of your child's communication skills.

At the end of these sessions you will be given further guidance as to what happens next.

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