



COLUMBIA
PEDIATRIC THERAPY



WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM SPEECH THERAPY?

Below are examples that may indicate speech therapy or expansion of speech therapy goals/services would be a good fit for your child:

- Difficulty being understood by family members or people outside of the family including feelings of frustration around not being understood.
- Unable to clearly express their wants and needs (may also result in frustration).
- Appears delayed in language compared to kids their age.
- Has trouble with following directions or understanding instructions.
- Eats a limited variety of textures, foods, or has difficulty controlling liquids/foods in the mouth (e.g. some spills out, pockets foods).
- Baby has difficulty with breast or bottle feeding (poor latch, gagging, coughing, spillage).
- Open mouth breathing, open bite, poor sleep, snoring, or thumb sucking.
- Limited verbal communication or potential need for augmentative communication strategies/device.
- Difficulty attending/engaging in play or work tasks.
- Challenges with social communication, eye contact, or interacting with others, especially peers.

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