

WHO ARE WE?

NLASLPA is a professional association whose main function is to foster the highest quality of service to individuals with communication disorders and to advance the knowledge of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology in Newfoundland and Labrador.

These professionals work in:

- Hospitals
- Rehabilitation centers
- Government agencies
- Schools
- Nursing care facilities
- Private practice

Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists have specialized university education and are experts in their field.



Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists must be licensed to work in Newfoundland and Labrador. For a list of currently licensed professionals, please visit:

www.nlchp.ca

1 in 10 Canadians lives with a serious communication disorder.

Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists can help people make their lives richer, more productive and enjoyable!

Questions? Contact Us!



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EARLY DETECTION IS VITAL!



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WHAT DO WE DO?



Speech-Language Pathologists (SLPs)

Speech-Language Pathologists are specialists who work with children and adults who have speech, language, and swallowing disorders

Their services include:

- Prevention, assessment, diagnosis, and treatment
- Parent and teacher training
- Team-based problem solving
- Counseling

Audiologists (AUDs)

Audiologists are specialists who work with children and adults who have hearing disorders and balance disorders.

Their services include:

- Prevention, assessment, and diagnosis
- Counseling regarding aural rehabilitation
- Prescribing and fitting hearing aids
- Assessment and treatment for balance disorders

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE

Some Causes of Speech/Language Disorders:

- Learning disabilities
- Cleft lip or palate
- Developmental delay
- Certain cancers
- Hearing loss
- Cerebral palsy
- Poor nutrition
- Poor living conditions

Examples of When to Seek SLP Services:

Ask for a referral if you or child has difficulty with:

- Saying words and sentences clearly
- Learning new vocabulary, remembering words
- Putting words together to make sentences
- Understanding the meaning of words or sentences
- Using your voice box (e.g. voice box removed, vocal nodules, hoarse voice, chronic laryngitis)
- Stuttering
- Swallowing



How to Access SLP Services

You are often able to refer yourself or your child, but you may require a referral from a relevant healthcare professional, please contact your local private or public practitioner for more information.

<http://www.nlaslpa.ca/pages/find-a-professional.html>

AUDIOLOGY

HEARING AND BALANCE

Some Causes of Hearing/Balance Disorders:

- Noise exposure
- Drugs
- Head injuries
- Aging
- Viruses
- Birth complications
- Tumors
- Hereditary factors

Examples of When to Seek Audiology Services:

Ask for a referral if you or child has the following:

- Difficulty understanding conversations
- Frequent need to ask others to repeat
- Sudden loss of hearing in one or both ears
- Avoidance of social situations due to trouble hearing
- Buzzing or ringing noises in the ears
- A strong history of exposure to loud noise
- Pain and/or discomfort in the ears, frequent ear infections, or balance issues



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