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WellComm Training

An overview of the Early Years WellComm Screening Toolkit, including why early identification and intervention is important, how to complete screenings and what to do next. This training video will be useful for practitioners who are new to the toolkit and also as a refresher.

Walkthrough videos, with useful hints and tips are also able for each section of the WellComm screening.

TALK EAL (An Introduction to English as an Additional Language)

An introduction to what it means to be bilingual, the typical pattern of learning English as an Additional Language, and ways for practitioners to support this.

TALK Babies

A look at communication development in the first year and strategies for support.

TALK Environments Audit

An overview/walkthrough of the 'TALK Halton Total Communication Audit Tool'. This training focuses specifically on the following sections of the audit; The Voice of the Child, The Physical Environment and Stories and Rhymes.

TALK Extending Language

A training video looking at how to take talking further. This session will enable you to understand the importance of developing vocabulary and expressive language skills and provide a range of strategies to support.

TALK Speech Sounds

A look into how sounds are made, typical and atypical speech development and early strategies to support speech.

TALK Essentials and Talk Norms - Introduction to Children's Communication

Essential information for all practitioners in the Early Years about children's typical communication development.

TALK Difficulties - Types of Speech, Language and Communication Needs

A look at the complexity of the language system, key characteristics of speech, language and communication difficulties and how to support them.

TALK Adult-Child Interaction

A look at the importance of adult interaction in children's language learning, the impact these have and how to improve the quality of your own adult-child interactions.

TALK Support

A walkthrough each of the EYFS packs created by the specialist Speech and Language Therapy service, and how they can be used in conjunction with the WellComm Big Book of Ideas to support communication in the Early Years.

TALK Transitions

A look at the range of transitions children experience and how they can impact children. This session also looks at a range of strategies to support transitions, including visual supports.

TALK Environments

A look at the importance of the physical environment on communication and what makes a 'Total Communication' setting/environment.

TALK Social Communication in the Early Years

A training video looking at social communication in the Early Years. This training session aims to answer the following questions: What is social communication? What is pre-intentional communication? What are the support strategies?

TALK Visual Supports

A look at a range of visual supports which can be used to support children at universal, targeted and specialist levels.

You will find Practitioner Guides to accompany all of our training sessions on [TALK Halton's Communication Hub](#) in the Practitioner Information and Resources section

