CALL US ABOUT ANY CHILD...

- If you are concerned about her/his speech/language development.
- If you are concerned about her/his hearing.
- If her/his speech and language skills have not improved over the past six months.
- Who often repeats sounds and/or words (stuttering).
- Whose voice sounds different or odd to you.
- Whose play or social interactions seems inappropriate.
- With a diagnosis such as cleft lip/palate, hearing loss, PDD/Autism, developmental delay (who is not already receiving services).

Early Intervention is Crucial.
Call Toronto Preschool Speech and Language
Services at 416-338-8255
TTY 416-338-0025

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Date Completed:	
Child's Name:	
Child's Date of Birth:	
Person Completing Form:	
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Contact Address:	Postal Code:
City:	Phone No:

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Communication Checklist

For Children from Birth to Age Four

If the answer is **NO** to any of the following questions, call Toronto Preschool Speech and Language Services at **416-338-8255**.

Infant Hearing Program
Speech & Language Program

If your child's first language is not English, please use the checklist in the home language of your child. Checklists will soon be available in many languages.

BY 6 MONTHS Yes	No
Does the child: • startle in response to loud noises?	
• turn to where a sound is coming from?	
• make different cries for different needs (hungry, tired)?	
watch your face as you talk to her/him?	
• smile/laugh in response to your smiles and laughs?	
• imitate coughs or other sounds such as <i>ah, eh, buh</i> ?	
BY 9 MONTHS	
Does the child:	
• respond to his/her name?	
• respond to the telephone ringing or a knock at the door?	
• understand being told no?	
• get what she/he wants through using gestures (reaching to be picked up)?	
• play social games with you (<i>Peek-a-Boo</i>)?	
• enjoy being around people?	
• babble and repeat sounds such as babababa or dubdubdub?	_

BY 12 MONTHS Yes No	BY 30 MONTHS	Yes
	Does the child	
e one-step directions (Sit down.)?	•	_
_	 use some a 	_
	•	_
• use gestures to communicate (waves <i>hilbye</i> , shakes head for <i>no</i>)?	•	_
 get your attention using sounds, gestures and pointing while 	 participate in some turn-taking activities with peers, using both words and toys? 	_
looking at your eyes?	•	<u>:</u>
• bring you toys to show you?	 combine several actions in play (Feeds doll and then puts her to sleep. Puts 	
• perform for social attention and praise?	blocks in the train and drives the train, drops the blocks off.)?	
• combine lots of sounds together as though talking (abada baduh abee)?	• put sounds at the beginning of most words?	<u>:</u>
• show an interest in simple picture books?	 use words with two or more syllables or beats (ba-na-na, com-pu-ter, a-pple)?	_ _
BY 18 MONTHS	• recognize tamiliar logos and signs involving print (stop sign);	
Does the child:		
• understand the meaning of <i>in</i> and <i>out</i> , <i>off</i> and <i>on?</i>		
• use at least 20 words consistently?	• understand <i>who, what, where</i> and <i>why</i> questions?	<u>.</u>
• respond with words or gestures to simple questions (Where's teddy? What's that?)?		
	• tell simple stories?	
 gives teddy bear a drink, pretends a bowl is a hat)? make at least four different consonant sounds (p, b, m, n, d, g, w, h)? 	 show affection for favourite playmates?	
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BY 2 YEARS	• show interest in, and awareness of, rhyming words?	_
Does the child:	RV A VEADS	
use 100 to 150 words?	Does the child:	
• use at least two pronouns (you, me, mine)?	•)
	•	_ _
• enjoy being around other children?	•	
	•	_
actions and words?	• show increasingly complex imaginary play?	🗀
• use words that are understood by others 50 to 60 per cent of the time?	• talk in a way that he/she is understood by strangers almost all the time?	ם ם
 form words or sounds easily and without effort? hold books the right way in and turn the pages? 	 generate simple rnymes (cat-bat)? match some letters with their sounds (letter h savs bub letter t savs tub)? 	_ :
• read to stuffed animals or toys?	Indicat some reters with first somios freter to says ome reter t says time;	į
• scribble with crayons?		

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