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| **SPEECH THERAPISTS** |

A speech therapist sees children who experience difficulties with talking or understanding language, including the social use of language as needed in conversing with others, asking for help etc. Advice is available to families in regards to encouraging language development at home. Speech therapists also work with children who have problems eating, drinking or other oral motor issues.

**When do you refer to a Speech Therapist?**

Speech therapy support would be necessary for a child who has speech and language delays. These may be in expressive language (i.e. the child’s ability to express themselves and be understood by others) or receptive language (i.e. the child’s ability to take in and process language to understand instructions etc.). **It is important to check if the child is having difficulty hearing if there are concerns about the child’s speech and language development.**

**Who can refer to a Speech Therapist?**

* A parent can call and make an appointment for their child.

**How do you refer to a Speech Therapist?**

Contact the therapist directly.

See the list following for some of the Speech Therapists in the Wyndham area who the family may contact.

Please Note: Charges may apply, please contact the service direct for more information. This list is not exhaustive and the PSFO Service do not endorse any service listed.

Families may be able to obtain Medicare rebates - please refer to the section “**How to get Medicare rebates for seeing** **therapists**”.

**Usually a speech therapist will request the child to have a hearing test completed before a speech assessment is completed.**

**Free hearing tests are available through Wyndham Health Care at 233 Heaths Rd Werribee 3030, ph: 9749 2766. These are bulk billed and require a referral from a doctor.**

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| **READY TO HEAR**Wyndham Private Consulting SuitesSuite 9, Level 1, 242 Hoppers LaneWerribeeTel: 9908 2998Mobile: 0458 476 842Email: info@readytohear.com.auWeb: readytohear.com.au  | Services Provided | Paediatric hearing assessment and wax removal |
| Usual waiting times | No wait time |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc |  |
| Medicare Rebates? | EPC Plan |
| **Additional Info** |
| **WESTERN SPEECH PATHOLOGY SERVICES**Pauline Hatty and Chantell PalermoBuilding 2, 1-11 Dunnings RoadPoint Cook 3030Tel: 0417 571 791 or 0411 139 523Email: info@westernspeech.com.auWeb: westernspeech.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Therapy |
| Usual waiting times | 6-8 weeks maximum |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**None provided |
| **LANGUAGE FOR LIFE SPEECH PATHOLOGY**188 Heaths RoadHoppers Crossing 3029Tel: 9731 6486Email: enquiries@languageforlife.com.auWeb: languageforlife.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Therapy, Psychology, OT |
| Usual waiting times | No waiting list |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**Experienced therapists working with children and adults.Children with autism and children who have difficulties with articulation, language, fluency (stuttering) and literacy and with adults who present with swallowing and communication difficulties.Book appointments your online Opens on Saturday |
| **HUGH MCCUSKER**Mossfiel Medical Centre166 Heaths RoadHoppers Crossing 3029Tel: 9749 6666Mob: 0431 327 469Email: hughmccusker@optusnet.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Pathology |
| Usual waiting times | 3 months |
| Bulk Billing? | Limited |
| NDIS Provider? | No, families must be self-managed |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | HCWA and Betterstart |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes, if Medicare packages have been established by medical personnel |
| **Additional Info**Sessions available on Monday & Tuesday afternoons (1.00pm – 6.30pm), all day Wednesday & Thursday and Saturday Mornings |
| **WELL SAID CLINIC**49 Derrimut RoadWerribee 3030Tel – 1300 773 324Web: wellsaidclinic.com.auEmail: info@wellsaidclinic.com.au | Services Provided | OT and Speech Therapy |
| Usual waiting times | 1-2 months |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes (with EPC from GP) |

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| **SPEECH EASE SPEECH PATHOLOGY**Entrance C1, Level 1, Point Cook Town Centre5 Main Street, Point Cook 3030Tel: 8645 3747Email: info@speechease.com.auWeb: speechease.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Therapy |
| Usual waiting times | 2-4 weeks, depending on time and child’s needs |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | HCWA and Better Start |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**At Speech Ease, all our staff are trained, dedicated Speech Pathologists registered with Speech Pathology Australia. We have a variety of backgrounds and special interest areas and each team member is allocated to their patients according to their specific needs and family requirements.We service Point Cook, Williams Landing, Laverton, Werribee, Hoppers Crossing, Truganina, Tarneit, Wyndham, Seabrook, Altona Meadows, West Melbourne, Kensington, Melbourne CBD,  North Melbourne, Flemington |
| **POINT COOK SPEECH PATHOLOGY**Danica Djaja24 Hargrave Avenue,Point Cook, Vic 3030Tel: 0427 388 798Email: admin@pointcookspeech.comWeb: point-cook-speech-pathology.com.au | Services Provided | Speech pathology intervention |
| Usual waiting times | 0-1 month |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | HCWA and Betterstart |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**Providing speech pathology assessment and intervention for children aged 2-13 years. I work with children who have:* Speech delay or disorder, including those with dyspraxia
* Language delay or disorder
* Stuttering
* Autism
* Global developmental delay
* Genetic disorder

Hours of operation: Tuesday to Friday 9am-6pm |
| **WESTERN CHILDREN’S HEALTH CENTRE**152 Central AvenueAltona MeadowsTel: 9931 0014 Email: contact@westernchildrens.com.auWeb: westernchildrens.com.au | Services Provided: | PaediatricsENT SurgeonOTSpeech therapyAudiologyImmunology and AllergyRespiratory Medicine |
| Usual Waiting Time | Varies, appointments are triaged |
| Bulk billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart? | Yes |
| Medicare rebates? | Yes |

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| **SPLASH PAEDIATRIC THERAPY**Wyndham Private Medical CentreLevel 1, 242 Hoppers LaneWerribee, 3030Tel: 8731 6555Email: info@splashtherapy.com.auWeb: www.splashtherapy.com.au | Services Provided: | OT and Speech Pathology |
| Usual Waiting Time | At most 2 week delay |
| Bulk billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart? | HCWA, Better Start and DSS |
| Medicare rebates? | Yes (CDMP for OT & Speech & MHCP for OT) |
| **Additional Info*** Open Saturdays for OT and SP
* Provide service for children with mild to significant developmental issues
* We run eating groups, based on Sequential Oral Sensory (SOS) approach, can be offered individually
* Can offer home and kinder/childcare services
* Can offer Professional Development sessions for educators and parents
* Provide an evidence-based quality private practice that works in partnerships with parents and educators to provide goal directed intervention with measurable functional outcomes
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| **POINT COOK THERAPY CENTRE**18 Boardwalk BoulevardPoint Cook 3030Tel: 8353 9910Mob: 0430 599 012 Web: pointcooktherapy.com.auEmail: info@pointcooktherapy.com.au | Services Provided | Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy & Psychology |
| Usual waiting times | 2-3 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No but we process medicare and health insurance rebates onsite |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**Our experienced clinicians are committed to professional development and provide comprehensive assessment and management of a variety of acquired and developmental conditions, including developmental delays, autism, learning and literacy difficulties, social pragmatic difficulties, stuttering, social anxiety, mood and other mental health issues, sensory processing. Parent and family guidance and support are integral to our service provision.Open Monday to Friday from 8am to 7pm.  All services are by appointment only. Saturday appointments may occasionally be available on special consideration |

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| **MORE THAN HEARING**Wyndham Health Care233 Heaths RoadHoppers CrossingTel: 9589 5122Email: hearing@morethanhearing.com.auWeb: morethanhearing.com.au  | Services Provided | Audiology, Speech Pathology |
| Bulk Billing? | Yes – audiology only |
| **VANESSSA STONE****CHATTY CHILDREN SPEECH PATHOLOGY**Suite A, 237-239 Hogans Road,Hoppers CrossingMob: 0419 399 566Email: chattychildren@bigpond.com | Usual waiting times | 1-2 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | For refugee families who attend the clinic during school hours |
| NDIS Provider? | Yes |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes |
| **Additional Info**Hours of operation are 9am to 7pm Wednesday and Thursday and alternating 9am -2pm Saturday.Areas of expertise Autism, speech and language development and literacy. |
| **THE HELIPAD**Unit 1, 44 Virgilia DriveHoppers Crossing 3029Tel: 0431 905 288Email: info@thehelipad.com.au Web: thehelipad.com.auContact – Hailey Dumesny | Services Provided | Speech Pathology. Behaviour consulting (eg fussy eating, following instructions, completing chores) |
| Usual waiting times | 1-3 weeks |
| Bulk Billing? | No |
| NDIS Provider? | No – but we do work with families who self-manage or have a plan manager with their NDIS plans |
| HCWA, Betterstart etc | Yes |
| Medicare Rebates? | Yes (Chronic Disease Management Plan/EPC Plan; HCWA Medicare rebates) |
| **Additional Info**Hours of operation: 11am – 6:30pm Monday to Friday8:30am-1pm Saturday\***We operate during the school terms only**\*Specialisations: School readiness, fussy eating, language, and our reading & writing programs for school aged children |

**You can also refer to the Speech Pathology Australia website to search for a Speech Pathologist**

**within your area –** [www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au](http://www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au) **. See the “Find a Speech Pathologist” link.**