



Early Language Support for Every Child (ELSEC)

ELSEC is a pilot programme to help educational settings and parents to provide support for children aged 2-11 years old with speech, language and communication needs, (SLCN). The focus will be upon supporting those children who have mild to moderate SLCN who do not meet the threshold for specialist support from the Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust, Speech and Language Therapy Team.

You will be invited to attend an initial appointment, face to face with a Speech and Language Therapist. You will be asked questions about your child's early development and their talking, understanding and speech sounds will be assessed. At the end of the appointment the therapist will discuss one of the following options as a next step for your child.

1. Your child's speech, language and communication skills are typical for their age, no support is required and your child is discharged.

2. A therapy support worker will demonstrate activities to parents or educational staff over 1-3 sessions. There will be opportunities for parents and staff to take a lead on these activities to equip you with the knowledge and skills to continue to complete these activities after the sessions end. At the end of the sessions your child will be discharged.

3. Your child requires specialist support from the Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust, Speech and Language Therapy Team and will be added to their waiting list for further help.

You may also be sent a link to a pre-recorded video, links to websites and other videos to give you further tips and ideas to help your child at home.

ELSEC will be running until August 2025, we will be asking for your feedback before and after sessions with our team, please look out for this!
If you need to contact the team please email LPT.ELSEC@nhs.net