

Bercow: Ten Years On

Parent consultation on support for children and young people with speech, language and communication needs.

Bercow: Ten Years On is a review of the state of provision for children's speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) in England being carried out by I CAN the children's communication charity and the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.

As part of *Bercow: Ten Years On* we would like to hear from parents and carers of children and young people aged 0-25 with speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) about their experiences of support for their child's SLCN. Support could be from a speech and language therapy service, or other experts like advisory teachers. It could also be the way that staff in a child's early years setting, school or college/training provider work with them.

SLCN covers any type of difficulty with talking, understanding or communicating, and includes children both with a diagnosis and without one and who have delayed language.

We would like to make sure we capture the views of all parents and carers, including those who may not normally complete a questionnaire, therefore we have designed an activity pack to be carried out with parents and carers in a practical way, with the support of a familiar practitioner where needed. We would appreciate your support with helping them to complete the questions in these activities, and to submit their answers.

Completing the activity

The following questions will help us understand parent/carers' experiences of support for their child's SLCN, how easy they found it to get help, and if they felt involved in supporting their child.

We would like you to ask parents/carers the questions, and help them to respond if needed. You may want to complete this on an individual basis with parents or as part of a group. We would then like you to add their responses to the online questionnaire link available here.

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1. Postcode of your child's setting: _____

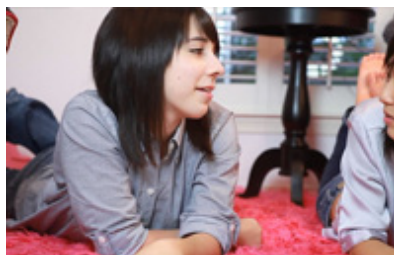
2. How old is your child?

Age 11 - 15 Age 16 - 18 Age 19 - 21 Age 22 - 25

3. My child has problems:



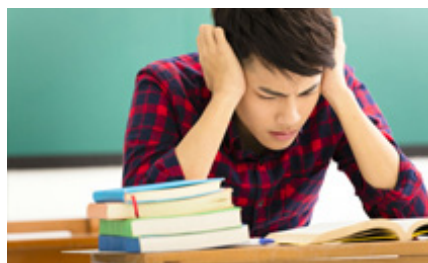
Being understood by others



Talking in sentences



Listening



Understanding what people say to them



Talking with others or in a group

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4. How does your child get speech, language and communication support?

These people help my child with their talking and understanding:



Someone in my child's
School/College



A speech and language
therapist



I don't know

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5. My child gets help for their talking and understanding:



At School



In a Clinic



In a Hospital



At College



At home

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6. Getting information about help for my child's talking was :



Easy



Hard



I didn't get
information

7. The information about help for my child's talking was:



Really helpful



Quite helpful



Not very
helpful



Not helpful at all

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8. Getting help for my child's talking was:



Really easy



Quite easy



Quite hard



Very hard

9. Getting help for my child's talking was:



Really quick



Quite quick



Quite slow



Very slow

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10. I have been involved in helping with my child's talking:



Very - I've been given a programme of work with my child and I follow it at home



Quite a lot - I know my child's goals and how to help them



A bit – I don't know my child's goals but I use some ideas I've been given to help them



Not at all – I don't know my child's goals or how to help them at home