

# Who Needs Pediatric Speech Therapy?



Children who demonstrate (but not limited to):

By **0-3** Months:

- Unable to latch on while nursing or bottle feeding
- Losing a lot of breast milk or formula out side of mouth while feeding

By Age **3** :

- Not speaking 3-word utterances
- Less than 400 word vocabulary
- Multiple ear infections
- Difficulty making friends
- Lateral or frontal lisp
- Not producing final sounds of words

By **6** Months:

- Not responding to sounds or voices
- Not making vowel sounds
- Avoids eye contact
- Not smiling or laughing
- Not vocalizing in response to playful interaction

By Age **5** :

- Not able to produce [l], [s], [z], [v], [sh], [ch], [j] sounds

By Age **6** :

- Not able to produce [r], [th], and all blending sounds

By **9** Months:

- Not interested in interacting with others
- Not maintaining eye contact during playful interaction
- Unresponsive to sounds or voices
- Not babbling
- Not responding to own name

By Age **7** :

- Not able to clearly articulate sounds

By **19-24** Months:

- Unable to imitate new words or sounds
- Not able to name objects and pictures
- Not able to understand simple pronouns (me/you/my)
- Not able to identify 3-5 body parts when asked
- Not able to understand new words quickly

**Various Childhood Disorders (but not limited to):**

- Childhood Apraxia of Speech
- Orofacial myofunction disorder
- Speech sound disorders/articulation disorders
- Voice disorders
- Stuttering
- Receptive disorders
- Cleft Palate & Lip
- ADHD
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Reading/writing difficulties
- Swallowing
- Phonological/Articulation disorders & more

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