



The Speech & Language Development Australia School Support Services program (formerly Let's Talk) provides support for students who have a verification of Speech Language Impairment (SLI) or Intellectual Disability (ID) / Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) where language is their primary area of difficulty. The program aims to improve educational opportunities and learning outcomes for students with a disability.

Eligibility

- Verified SLI or ID/ ASD, with language as their primary area of difficulty
- Prep to Year 12 students

Documentation Required

- Referral Form with Parent/Guardian consent
- Current Individual Educational Plan (IEP)
- Current specialists' report e.g. Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy, Psychology

The Service

- Brief classroom observation
- Screening session with multidisciplinary team (1 hour)
- Screening feedback session and intervention planning with school staff, inclusive of contributions to IEP and EAP (parent/guardians may attend as pre-arranged by school)
- 4 week intervention block (4 x 45 minute sessions) via e-therapy or direct contact to target student goals and staff capacity building
- Feedback meeting with school staff and parents/guardians to discuss progress and future recommendations

Additional Service Options (*fee for service*)

- Professional Development

CASE STUDY

Ben is a year 4 student verified under the category of SLI. The School Support Services team visited Ben's school and conducted a classroom observation and a screening.

A 5 week Intervention Program was then conducted via e-therapy with Ben and his Teacher Aide. The Teacher Aide now has transferrable skills and knowledge to be used with Ben and other students in the classroom. These services were fully funded by Non School Organisations (NSO).

