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# Communication for young people - 16 to 25

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## All children and young people are entitled to:

- Teaching approaches appropriate to meet the needs of all young people including those with speech, language and communication needs
- Lecturers who are aware of typically developing speech, language and communication and the affect a delayed or disordered development can have on learning
- Lecturers who are aware of their own communication and are able to create a language rich environment, which provides language learning opportunities and interactions
- In order to ensure smooth transition arrangements post-16 providers will acknowledge communication needs to ensure young people are in education, employment or training
- Access to a GP
- Access to a school setting or professional that can refer to speech and language therapy while up to age 18

## Some children and young people may need

- Identification of an emerging speech, language and communication need impacting on the levels of learning required by their study programmes
- To continue and develop strategies provided by the school speech and language therapist via transition processes
- Person-centred approaches to meeting identified needs
- Access to appropriate school based interventions to provide a boost to language learning delivered by appropriately trained members of staff, for example Bricks for Autism therapy, colourful semantics etc

## A few children and young people may need

- Access to the [adult learning disability team](#)
- Identified members of staff who can support speech and language programmes in the setting (if required) following the advice and guidance of the speech and language therapist
- Advice about alternative, augmentative communication (AAC) available through Blackpool Council SEND support team
- Access to specialist communication software and equipment, advice and signposting can be given through Blackpool Council SEND Support team.

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