



Elklan Teletherapy offer to schools, pre-school settings and parents using Sound Builders

What we can offer:

1. Screening Assessment Only

- An initial screening assessment. During this, there will be a brief assessment of the child's listening skills and their ability to understand spoken language and a more thorough assessment of the clarity of their speech. This will determine their suitability for the Sound Builder's programme. A short summary will be provided.
- If appropriate, a recommendation about an initial specific Sound Builder programme to support the articulation and use of a speech sound will be made.

2. Screening Assessment with three follow-up appointments

- Following the initial screening assessment and recommendation of a Sound Builder Programme, three follow up appointments, one per month, after the start of implementing the Sound Builder's programme, will be offered to review the child's progress and make further recommendations.

3. Length of the appointments and what will be included:

- Each appointment, including the initial screen will last up to thirty minutes (per child).
- A brief summary of information will be provided upon completion of the assessment/screen and a Sound Builder's programme recommended if this is suitable.
- The follow up appointments consist of observations of the practitioner carrying out the Sound Builder's programme with the child and a discussion about the child's progress. A short-written feedback of no more than six bullet points will be provided at the end of each appointment.
- When the child has completed their speech sound programme, additional appointments may be purchased to recommend further speech sound programmes if appropriate/required.

Costs:

- An initial screen and speech assessment costs £50.00 per child.
- An initial screen and speech assessment and three follow up appointments costs £200.00 per child.
- Sound Builder programmes are purchased in addition to the assessment.

Which children are likely to benefit from Elklan's Teletherapy offer?

- Children who are following the typical pattern of sound acquisition but who are delayed in their speech sound development.
- Children who are able to receive a minimum of 10 minutes a day or 15 minutes three times a week of support following a Sound Builder programme.

Which children are unlikely to benefit from Elklan's Teletherapy offer?

- Children with difficulties understanding spoken language and children with significant learning needs (excluding dyslexia) are unlikely to benefit from this offer.
- Children with a marked delay in listening and attention are likely to be excluded.
- Children with significant speech sound disorders and/or verbal dyspraxia/developmental coordination disorder (DCD)/apraxia of speech need more specific support outside the scope of Sound Builders.
- Children who are not able to receive a minimum of 10 minutes a day or 15 minutes three times a week of support following a Sound Builder programme are unlikely to make progress.

What needs to happen if you would like to take up the offer:

- Please complete the form to request a teletherapy assessment or assessment and support.
- You will be sent paperwork to complete prior to the teletherapy appointments. This will include:
 - Parental permission form/s for the child/children you wish to take part.
 - A referral form which gives us the information we need to proceed with the telehealth appointments.
- On receipt of the completed forms, you will be contacted and an initial assessment will be offered.

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