

Communicate

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ADVICE SESSIONS

Whether you have a professional or personal interest in communication aids, you can book time to talk to a specialist Speech and Language Therapist and/or specialist Occupational Therapist about **clinical** issues, **policy** issues, **service delivery** issues, **funding** issues, etc.

CLINICAL ADVICE – SOME EXAMPLES

- **Assessment** for communication aid use;
- **Introducing** a communication aid;
- Planning, running or evaluating a **trial** period of communication aid use;
- Helping someone to become a **more effective** communication aid user;
- Engineering **communication opportunities** and **challenges**;
- Reducing **communication barriers**;
- Choosing **symbol systems** and **vocabulary organisation**.

Please note:

If you are not sure whether to arrange an Advice Session or a Communicate Assessment, we would be very happy to talk this through.

- * Sometimes an Advice Session is all that is needed.
- * At other times an Assessment might be more help.
- * Other options are Advice before and/or after an Assessment

MORE ABOUT ADVICE SESSIONS . . .

Advice Sessions usually last for one hour. If you think this might not be enough time, please ask about booking a longer appointment.

If you want several people to attend, we recommend a maximum group size of four. This ensures that everyone can take part in the discussion.

When we know what you want to discuss, we might want to talk to you about:

- any **equipment** that it might be helpful for you to bring along;
- things that **we** might need to prepare before you arrive;
- **who** else might helpfully attend with you;
- **who** you will meet from Communicate.

We schedule "Advice Sessions Days" throughout the year. We also book Advice Sessions at other times if necessary, so please ask.

Advice Sessions Days

2007	2008
14 th May 2007	16 th January 2008
4 th July 2007	14 th March 2008
8 th October 2007	

Please contact

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- For more information about Advice Sessions
- To make an appointment for an Advice Session
- For information about other Communicate services, e.g. Visiting Assessment Service, Introduction to Communication Aids
- If you would like this leaflet, or any other information, in a different format

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