Children and Young People with Hearing Impairment

Who might you meet from the Children’s Sensory Team (CST)

Your child may meet a variety of professionals in the Children’s Sensory Team. Here is an explanation of their job titles and how they will support your child.

Advisory Teacher of Children with Hearing Impairment

An advisory teacher of children with hearing impairment is a teacher with an additional qualification with children and young people with hearing impairment. We can work with families and schools for children from birth to twenty five years old.

Audiology Technician

An audiology technician works with the advisory teacher to order, maintain and trouble shoot your child’s additional educational audiological equipment e.g assistive listening devices (they use to be called FM radio aids). If your child needs this input the advisory teacher for hearing impairment will refer your child to access this additional service in consultation with you. Please note the hospital has responsibility for your child’s hearing aids.

Sign Language and Communication Tutor

The Sign language and communication tutor’s role is to help facilitate the development of total communication and signing skills with your child, peers, the family and school staff. If your child needs this input the advisory teacher for hearing impairment will refer your child to access this additional service in consultation with you. The tutor can work both at home with preschool aged children and in the educational placement with school age children.
Children and Young People with Vision Impairment

Who might you meet from the Children’s Sensory Team (CST)?

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Advisory Teacher of Children with Vision Impairment

An advisory teacher of children with vision impairment is a teacher with an additional qualification with children and young people with vision impairment. We can work with families and schools for children from birth to twenty five years old.

Resource Technician

A resource technician provides specialist equipment, modified large print or braille books and tactile resources where appropriate to help your child access the curriculum. If your child needs this input the advisory teacher for vision impairment will refer your child to access this additional service in consultation with you.

Habilitation Specialist

A habilitation specialist can help develop your child's mobility, navigation and independent living skills. The habilitation specialist will assess your child's current independence skills and identify what are the next steps to increase their independence. If your child needs this input the advisory teacher for vision impairment will refer your child to access this additional service a further Habilitation consent form will be requested for you to sign.