

SPEECH THERAPY

WHAT IS SPEECH THERAPY?

Speech therapy is provided by a certified American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and New York state licensed Speech-Language Pathologist. The Speech-Language Pathologist identifies, assesses and provides therapy for speech, language and swallowing disorders.

Speech therapy can be provided 1-on-1 or in a group setting.

The focus of Speech Therapy is to:

- Promote typical development of speech, language and feeding
- Regain lost speech, language, and swallowing skills
- Use compensatory strategies to help an individual communicate effectively
- Re-establish safe swallowing abilities for respiratory safety

Speech therapy can be effective in treating:

- Phonological processing disorder
- Articulation
- Stuttering/dysfluency
- Apraxia of speech
- Dysarthria (slurred speech)
- Aphasia
- Dysphagia (swallowing difficulties)
- Voice disorders
- Oral myofunctional disorders
- Cognitive impairments (memory, attention, problem solving)

WHICH INDIVIDUALS CAN BENEFIT FROM SPEECH THERAPY?

- Infants and children with speech/language or feeding delay
- Children with a reverse swallow/tongue thrust
- Individuals with traumatic brain injury
- Individuals with neurological disorders—such as PD, MS, CP, and ALS—whose speech or swallowing has been affected
- Adults who have suffered a stroke
- Individuals with head and neck cancer
- Adults or children with voice disorders/ Dysphonia
- Accent reduction
- Transgendered voicing



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When your ability to speak or to understand others is affected, or if you have trouble swallowing, the Speech Language Pathology department at all three Bon Secours sites can help. Our speech/language pathologists evaluate and treat disorders which may have resulted from surgery, facial injury, stroke, head injury or a developmental disability, just to name a few. Such problems can affect people from infancy to the elderly. After a thorough evaluation, sessions are designed to improve the targeted areas and promote more effective communication, where comprehension skills are as important to expression. If necessary, speech language pathologists and radiologists will work together to perform special swallowing studies to aid in further evaluation of your deficits. Other specialty services within this department include pediatric developmental delays, Parkinson's BIG program, vital stimulation, and voice/music therapy.

See how a Speech-Language Pathologist can help!

Bon Secours Community Hospital
160 E Main St, 1st Fl, Port Jervis

(845) 858-7112

St. Anthony Community Hospital
Center for Physical Rehabilitation
153 State Route 94 S, Warwick

(845) 987-5150

Good Samaritan Hospital
255 Lafayette Ave, Suffern

(845) 368-5253

Rehabilitation at Bon Secours Charity Health System a Member of the Westchester Medical Center Health Network: Physical, Occupational & Speech Therapy; Lymphedema & Oncological Program (Rehabilitation services are provided by Access Physical Therapy & Wellness)

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