



## Speech/Language Therapy at The Children's Institute of Pittsburgh

Children with speech and language disorders struggle to communicate their needs and express themselves to caregivers, friends, and others. If left untreated, these problems will impact the child's social, emotional, educational, and vocational potential.

In the past twelve months, nearly one in twelve children in the United States have demonstrated difficulties with:

- Not talking at all or using very few sounds
- Producing words clearly enough to be understood by others
- Using well-formed sentences
- Communicating with words, gestures, or alternative methods
- Listening and following directions
- Remembering and using new words and information
- Reading
- Writing
- Following directions
- Initiating communication
- Taking turns in conversation
- Hoarse, raspy, or breathy voice quality
- Stuttering
- Hearing
- Excessive drooling
- Eating or swallowing



### Why choose The Children's Institute?

Whether at our main campus in Squirrel Hill or a satellite location convenient to you, our master's level speech-language pathologists will listen to your concerns. Following a diagnostic evaluation, we collaborate with families to develop an individualized therapy plan to best meet the needs of the child, ages infancy through 26.

Ongoing treatment is family-centered to ensure understanding, collaboration, and generalization of skills to community settings. The child's communication needs are addressed using evidence-based practices and state-of-the-art technologies. Traditional approaches, as well as augmentative communication methods (sign language, speech-generating devices/applications) are considered to effectively and efficiently meet the child's immediate and ongoing communication needs. Progress towards functional outcomes is assessed regularly and reviewed and revised with caregivers.

## Outpatient Locations

### Pittsburgh (Squirrel Hill)

1405 Shady Ave  
Pittsburgh, PA 15217  
p: 412.420.2362

### Bridgeville

1370 Washington Pike  
Suite 500  
Bridgeville, PA 15017  
p: 412.420.2362

### Irwin (Norwin Hills)

8775 Norwin Avenue  
Irwin, PA 15642  
p: 412.420.2362

### Wexford

5000 Stonewood Drive  
Suite 100  
Wexford, PA 15090  
p: 412.420.2362

### Pleasant Hills

810 Clairton Boulevard  
Suite 300  
Pittsburgh, PA 15236  
p: 412.420.2362



### What families are saying about Speech/Language Therapy at The Children's Institute:

*"[Our] speech therapist...is very careful and good working with my child - a very gentle approach with him and he really responds to her."*

*"My daughter has been seeing the same speech therapist for six years...She's amazing, above and beyond. Great support for her."*

*"She made a lot of progress in speech since starting there."*