



OAFCCD Update - COVID 19 Response

The Ontario Association for Families of Children with Communication Disorders continues to be active in the current crisis.

The OAFCCD May Newsletter was e-mailed earlier this month. Calls and e-mails from families and others are still getting responses. OAFCCD is small organization and all activities re conducted by volunteers which means there are sometimes short delays.

We are hearing from families with their concerns about learning from home. Children with speech and language impairments have lost their routines and the regular interaction with teachers and peers. Parents are being asked to support learning at home and continue to provide home programming to support communication skills develop. All while worrying about their job and financial situation.

Parents have an important role in modelling speech and promoting speech and language development. However, it is also important to keep activities fun and not create additional stress for the child or family. This website, under How to help Your Child, has suggestions and activities to promote speech and language development.

If your child was supported by a Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP) in the Preschool Speech and Language program or at school, you can call and ask them for suggestions. While in person contact is not permitted, SLPs are reaching out to families and are willing to provide support.

Please take a look at the website and I hope you find a resource that is helpful to you. If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact OAFCCD.

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