Glue Ear Training

Meeting the needs of children with glue ear

By Virtual School Sensory Support - Team for Deaf Children and Young People

Free training for staff working in education in Norfolk:

Teachers, Teaching Assistants, SENDCos

Background

Glue ear refers to a build-up of fluid in the middle ear section (behind the ear drum). This can result in a temporary hearing loss.

Glue ear affects up to 20% of pre-school and reception aged children at any one time, and up to 80% of all children before the age of 10 years. Glue ear usually resolves spontaneously within 3 months. However, 30-40% of children have recurrent episodes and 5-10% of episodes last for more than a year.

During this time, and without appropriate awareness and support, glue ear can also have a significant impact on a child's language development and educational attainment.

Some groups of children are known to be at risk of having long-term glue ear, e.g. those born with a cleft palate or Down's syndrome.

Training

Virtual School Sensory Support are offering a virtual training session via TEAMS, **free of charge**, to ensure that people working with children have a basic understanding of glue ear, its prevalence and impact. Giving ideas on how to create a deaf friendly environment and strategies to support children with glue ear.

Date & Time: Wednesday 29 June 2022, 2.30pm to 5pm

Venue: TEAMS

Trainer: Delyth Crook, Team Leader and Educational Audiologist

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