# Speech Pathology, Communication and Resources Speech Pathologist

### About us

Established in 2000, Speech Pathology Communication & Resources can assist the person you care about to overcome speech and communication disorders. Our goal is to deliver Speech Pathology and literacy intervention to enable the individual to reach their full potential. Head Speech Pathologist, Rachel can also provide home and school visits in the Sydney Metropolitan area.



#### **Rachel Granter –**

## **Principal Speech Pathologist**

With a background in early intervention and working with children with disabilities, Rachel has experience in providing holistic interventions in the home, preschool and primary school settings. Her clinical skill sets include an ability to adapt developmental intervention goals, tasks, activities and implementation to the natural and educational settings of the child.

Rachel has travelled throughout regional NSW with work in the Department of Aging and Disability Service. She has provided services to children with moderate support needs who attend the satellite classes in public schools. Rachel has also serviced rural children with significant speech, language, literacy and developmental issues in intensive therapy blocks and rural outreach visits with the Royal Far West Children's Health Scheme. As well as being a leading Speech Pathologist in Sydney and regional Australia, Rachel has worked in the UK community health services and private practice providing general Speech Pathology skills. She has assessed and treated a multicultural and diverse caseload of children with:

- Articulation delays
- Dyspraxia
- Swallowing
- Receptive and expressive language
- Voice and stuttering difficulties

Rachel is familiar with the Aspect Play Program, Applied Behavioural Analysis, and other social skill programs. Integrated programming for children with autism and other developmental disabilities within toddler groups further extends this experience.

Experience working with a range of adult clients whilst working for Central Sydney Area Health Service included swallowing and rehabilitation work.

Experience working with adult clients with autoimmune disorders MSD and MND as well accent modification and English language extension work in Private Practice.

Key developmental goals can include preverbal skills such as:

- Attention
- Turn taking
- Play skill development
- Fine and gross motor goals
- Attachment to the carer

Specific clinical skills include:

• Self-study programs for autism management, such as Hanen 'More Than Words', Connect Therapy, Early Play Program, DIR Floor Time.

• Assessments and therapy tools for early play and cognition, speech and language, literacy, fluency, voice, and mealtime assistance.

# **Qualifications and skills**

Rachel graduated from Sydney University Bachelor of Applied Science (Speech Pathology) in 1992 and has completed training in autism, literacy, adult learning, and counselling. She has specialised in paediatrics, working with early childhood and primary school aged children and brings a variety of professional experiences to the assessment and treatment of children.

Our principal Speech Pathologist's qualifications and skills include:

- B.App.Sc (Speech Pathology) Sydney University
  - Member Speech Pathology Australia CPSP
- Certified Teacher Specific Learning Difficulties (SPELD NSW)
  - Cert IV Training and Assessment
- Adult and paediatric dysphagia training (swallowing disorders)

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