

Villa offers full Occupational Therapy (OT) assessments, classroom and clinic-based treatment and consultations. OT provides assistance in developing functional skills needed to be successful at home, school and in the community.

OT Provides Assistance in Developing:

- ◆ Sensory processing skills, i.e. awareness and integration of tactile, proprioceptive, and vestibular systems.
- ◆ Gross motor skills, i.e. proximal stability and motor planning.
- ◆ Fine motor skills, i.e. developmentally appropriate grasp, prehension, stability, and strength.
- ◆ Sensory motor skills, i.e. crossing midline, laterality, motor planning, and balance.
- ◆ Visual motor skills, i.e. using hands and eyes together.



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FUNDING

Villa Esperanza Services is a non-public school (NPS), and a vendor of local regional centers. Individuals and families also pay privately for assessment and treatment services. Some private medical insurance providers may reimburse individuals for speech and language therapy; however, the Speech and Language Center does not bill medical insurance or Medi-Cal directly for any service.

The Speech and Language Center is a community clinic that provides assessment, treatment, and consultation for children and adults with a broad range of communication disorders and augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) needs. The Speech Center offers specialized expertise and training in the use of technology to meet communication needs.



Our clinicians have a wealth of experience treating a variety of communication disorders resulting from:

- ◆ Autism
- ◆ Developmental Delays
- ◆ Intellectual Disabilities
- ◆ Phonological and Articulation Disorders
- ◆ Learning Differences
- ◆ Acquired Brain Injuries

Treatment is individualized and may include elements of:

- ◆ Pivotal Response Training (PRT)
- ◆ DIR / Floortime Model
- ◆ Visual Supports
- ◆ Social Stories
- ◆ Visualization Strategies for Language Comprehension
- ◆ Phonological Awareness Training
- ◆ PROMPT (PROMPTs for Restructuring Oral Muscular Phonetic Targets)
- ◆ Sensory Integration strategies
- ◆ Total Communication Approach
- ◆ Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC)
- ◆ Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS)

TRAINING

The Speech and Language Center also provides training for special educators, related professionals, and caregivers. Programs are offered on our campus or on-site at local schools and agencies in the greater Los Angeles region. Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ Language and Literacy Development
- ◆ Inclusion of Students with Special Needs
- ◆ Functional Communication Training
- ◆ Augmentative and Alternative Communication Implementation Training
- ◆ Therapeutic and Educational Music

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