

# Communication

## Opportunities

### Throughout the day *Online*



Our Communication Opportunities Workshop is available online!

It has all of the practical information and strategies on how to develop and support your child/young person's communication across the day but is spread out over a number of modules on an online learning platform. You have access to the material for six weeks. There will be two optional live Zoom sessions (in weeks 3 and 6) to share experiences and answer questions.

The online course explores both low-tech and high-tech options, with lots of practical tools, resources, tips and tricks being shared.

This workshop is suitable for teachers, teacher aides, families, whānau, health professionals and other interested people. The learning will be applicable to children/young people of all ages – preschool to high school.

## REGISTRATIONS

**Dates: starting 13 February, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 24 October 2023**

*Access to online content for six weeks from the start date*

*Live Zoom sessions following this, date/time TBC at the start of the course*

**Venue:** Online

Follow this link to register online:

<https://talklink.org.nz/creating-communication-opportunities->

Any questions please contact

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### Workshop content

#### Covering:

- What is Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC)?
- A look at some theory and current thinking in the field of AAC
- Exploring a range of practical strategies, resources and ideas that can be used to increase communication skills
- Core Vocabulary:
  - What is it?
  - Why is it important?
  - Encouraging its use.
- Modelling and Prompting
- The skills you need to be a good communication partner
- Practical ideas for classroom activities to encourage and support communication.

#### Cost

Professionals - \$150 per person

Families/Whānau – Free