

May 2024 Awareness Events

There are awareness events during May that are relevant to people with communication and/or swallowing needs. Here are some resources to support you if you want to promote the role of speech and language therapy in these areas.

If you know of other awareness events, please let us know on

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General resources

- @includeorg, @givingvoicelds, @AphasiaChoir #OneWorldOfCommunication video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=l-rt9liR3ao>

- @StephFBurgess #SpeakUpForCommunication poem:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8FdpvbHUnFw>

1-31 - Huntington's Disease Awareness Month

@RCSLT resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/progressive-neurological-disorders>

For more information:

<https://www.hda.org.uk/>

@HDA_tweeting #HuntingtonsDisease

1-31 - Stroke Awareness Month

@RCSLT resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/stroke/>

For more information:

<https://www.stroke.org.uk> <https://differentstrokes.co.uk/>

@TheStrokeAssoc @diffstrokes

4 - Airway Stenosis Awareness Day

@RCSLT resources:

Giving Voice Twitter Takeover by @gemmaclunie:

<https://wakelet.com/wake/WT6iNefnuqF58WQ6yFckD>

4-12 - Cleft Lip and Palate Awareness Week

@RCSLT resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/cleft-lip>

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/docs/policy/rcslt-supporting-people-with-cleft-lip.pdf>

For more information:

<https://www.clapa.com/awareness-week/>

@CLAPACOMMUNITY

6-12 - Deaf Awareness Week

@RCSLT resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/deafness>

Webinar with @NDCS_UK & @SLTHInetwork:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HjC46fsSjns>

Giving Voice Twitter Takeover on deaf mental health:

<https://wakelet.com/wake/ZTepMCNy1jpBMkyvJniDs>

For more information:

@NDCS_UK @ActionOnHearing @CICSGroup @Elizabeth_found

6-12 - Dying Matters Awareness Week

@RCSLT resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/end-of-life-care-overview/>

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Supporting-a-good-end-of-life-factsheet.pdf>

For more information:

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/our-campaigns/dying-matters/dying-matters-awareness-week>

@PalCareCEN @DyingMatters #DyingMattersAwarenessWeek

13-19 - Mental Health Awareness Week

@RCSLT resources:

Clinical information (children and young people):

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/social-emotional-and-mental-health/>

Clinical information (adults):

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/mental-health-adults/>

Children and young people factsheet:

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/docs/RCSLTCYPMHSA4Digital.pdf>

Adults factsheet:

https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/RCSLT_AMH_A4_4pp_DIGITAL_book.pdf

Mental health narrative:

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/docs/Talking-about-mental-health-communication-and-swallowing-needs---FINAL---May-2020.pdf>

For more information:

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/mental-health-awareness-week>

@mentalhealth #MentalHealthAwarenessWeek

13-26 - Foster Care Fortnight

@RCSLT resources:

RCSLT factsheet on the Five Good Communication Standards and Looked After Children:

<https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/Project/RCSLT/5-good-standards-a4-2019.pdf>

RCSLT factsheet on looked after children:

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/Project/RCSLT/rcslt-looked-after-children-factsheet.pdf>

For more information:

<https://www.thefosteringnetwork.org.uk/get-involved/foster-care-fortnight>

#FosteringMoments

13-19 - Dementia Action Week

@RCSLT resources:

RCSLT clinical resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/dementia>

RCSLT factsheet:

<https://www.rcslt.org/wp-content/uploads/media/Project/RCSLT/rcslt-dementia-factsheet.pdf>

For more information:

<https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/get-involved/dementia-action-week>

14 - Apraxia/Verbal Dyspraxia Awareness Day

@RCSLT resources:

RCSLT clinical information:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/speech-sound-disorders/#section-16>

Giving Voice Twitter Takeover:

<https://wakelet.com/wake/WKqvbVdBWaEGtpCmChCgL>

For more information:

<https://dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk/>

@DYSPRAXIAFDTN #CAS

20-26 - Action for Brain Injury Week

@RCSLT resources:

RCSLT clinical resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/brain-injury>

For more information:

<https://www.headway.org.uk/news-and-campaigns/news/2024/abi-week-2024-a-life-re-written/>

<https://www.thechildrenstrust.org.uk/>

@HeadwayUK @Childrens_Trust #BrainInjury

30 - World MS Day

@RCSLT resources:

RCSLT clinical resources:

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/progressive-neurological-disorders>

Video:

<https://app.vyond.com/videos/5bf206d3-a937-4f0f-98ce-a8a4881a6327>

For more information:

<https://worldmsday.org/about/> <https://www.mssociety.org.uk/>

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