

## May 2025 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=8FdpybHUnFw>

### 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

## **1-31 Apraxia Awareness Month**

@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/WKqybVdBWaEGtpCmChCgL>

For more information: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q27tGoCtXOg>

## **4 - Airway Stenosis Awareness Day**

@RCSLT resources:

Giving Voice Twitter Takeover by @gemmaclunie:

<https://wakelet.com/wake/WT6iNefnuqF58WQ6yFCkD>

## **3-11 - 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

## **5-11 - 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: <https://wakelet.com/wake/ZTepMCNy1jpBMkyvJniDs>

For more information: @NDCS\_UK @ActionOnHearing @CICSGroup

@Elizabeth\_found

## **5-11 - 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

## **9 May – Dysarthria Awareness Day**

For more information: <https://hcsclinic.sites.sheffield.ac.uk/services-and-groups/dysarthria-clinic/dysarthria-awareness-day>

[#DysarthriaAwarenessDay](#)

<https://www.instagram.com/dysarthriaawarenessday/>

## **12-25 - 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

## **12-18 - 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](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](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

## **16 - Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Day**

For more information: <https://www.spinal.co.uk/spinal-cord-injury-awareness-day-uk/>

## **19-25 - 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>

## **19-25 - 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/about-headway/our-organisation/events-and-conferences/action-for-brain-injury-abi-week/>

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

@HeadwayUK @Childrens\_Trust #BrainInjury

## **30 - World MS Day**

@RCSLT resources:

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

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

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

@mssociety @WorldMSDay #MSConnections