

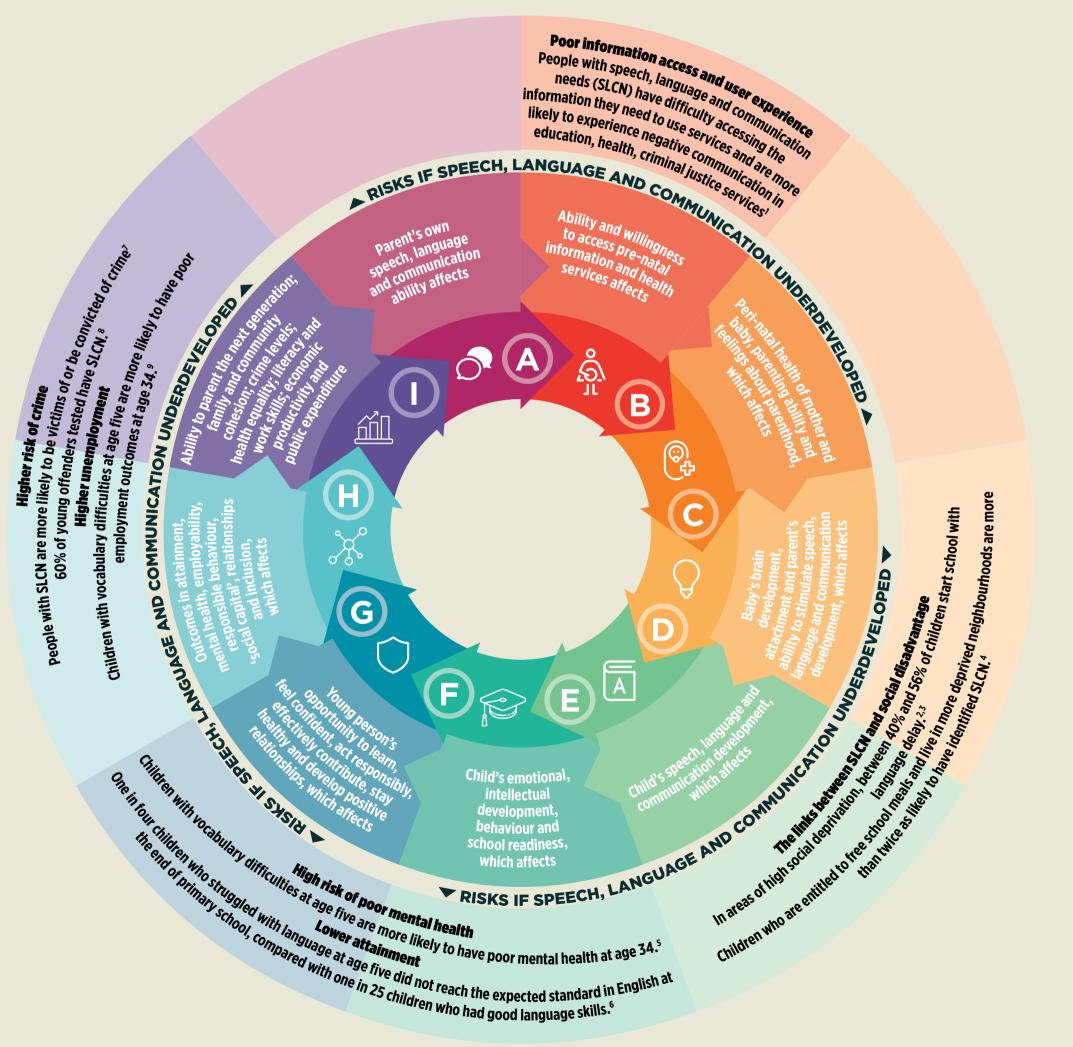
Speech, Language and Communication Capacity

A National Asset





The Intergenerational Cycle of Speech, Language and **Communication Outcomes and Risks**



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How to grow national assets by breaking the intergenerational cycle of speech, language and communication needs

All relevant agencies involved in the cycle work collaboratively to:

Identify and respond effectively to parents' speech, language and communication needs and preferences – mainstreaming quality inclusive communication approaches throughout public services

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Boost early years speech, language and communication provision for today's babies and toddlers and their parents by building the skills to support children's speech, language and communication development throughout child health, education and care workforces

Boost the speech, language and communication capacity of the next generation of parents who are already accessing primary, secondary, tertiary education; youth justice services; youth employment services; and children and young people's mental health services

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