

Children's Integrated Speech and Language Therapy Service for Hackney and the City



Makaton For Parents: Beginners Workshop

**Dates of course: Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th
and 27th March 2019 – 9.30-12.30**
Venue: Linden Children's Centre

What is Makaton?

Makaton is a language programme which uses gestures and actions alongside speech and symbol pictures. For many children, Makaton can help support the development of their ability to understand and express themselves. Many of us know Makaton from Mr Tumble.

What will happen on the course?

On this course, you will learn over 200 signs and symbols, and will discuss ways in which you can use these at home to help your child. You will also get the chance to meet and share ideas and experiences with other parents.

How long is the course?

The course consists of 4 sessions of 3 hours. You need to be able to attend all four of the sessions. You will receive manuals and a certificate from Makaton Charity, for this accredited Parent Workshop. There will be a follow up session the next term (date to be confirmed).

Who is the course for?

The course is for parents and carers of children or young people who will benefit from using Makaton to develop their communication. Your child may have additional needs or a communication difficulty and be known to services at the Hackney Ark or Portage.

Childcare for young children

We can provide a crèche for your child – please let us know how many children, their ages and whether they have any additional needs staff should be aware of.

What do I need to do next?

You will need to contact the Speech and Language Therapy Admin team to tell them you would like to come on this course. **Please call them on 020 7683 4262, or email huh-tr.sltinfo@nhs.net to book your place.**

Please book your place as soon as possible, as places are limited.

If you have any further questions, or have additional requirements please call us on 020 7683 4262 or discuss with your link Speech and Language Therapist.