Eligibility criteria for a referral to the Montreal Children’s Hospital’s Speech-Language Pathology Department

Who is eligible

1. Children 0-18 with concomitant medical conditions that have the potential to lead to a speech-language problem (i.e., cleft palate, sub mucous cleft palate, vocal cord nodules, other voice disorders, active neurological conditions, brain injury, etc.)
2. Children 0-5 with speech-language problem of significant degree (i.e., greater than mild) that have never been assessed or treated who live on the island of Montreal.
3. Children 0-7 with speech-language problem that is part of a global developmental delay that requires a multidisciplinary evaluation for new diagnosis who live on the island of Montreal.

Who is not eligible:

1. Children 0-5 with mild speech-language delays such as “lisp”. Please refer directly to CIUSSS or CISSS for services.
2. Children who stutter 0-18. If stuttering has persisted for 6 months or more, please refer directly to the “Centre de réadaptation en déficience physique” (CRDP) or CIUSS.
3. Children who are in school, except those with a concomitant medical condition that has the potential to lead to a speech-language problem. Please request services in the child’s school.