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New emotional and social support for DLD

Who am I?

My name is Annabel and I am a PhD researcher at the Department of Psychology at the University of Bath.

What is the study about?



Thank you for taking time to find out more about the study.

This study is looking for **parents who have a child with a diagnosis of Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)**.

We have a new online program for children with DLD and their parents, aiming to improve their emotional and social development.

What will you be asked to do?

You will be asked to participate in the research for **up to 24 weeks**. During this time, you will be given access to an online program that lasts **12 weeks**. You will be asked to spend an average of **45 minutes per week** working through this content.

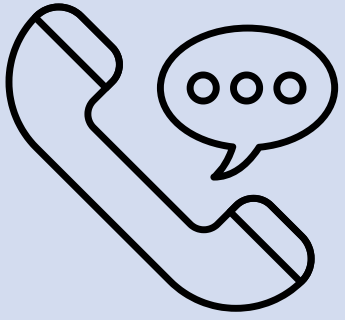
The course will include modules on emotion regulation, anxiety management, self-esteem and social skills. It is all provided online, so you can complete the work at a convenient time for you.

Time will be spent working through activities and exercises either by yourself, or with your child. It will include multiple visual and interactive worksheets and aids.





After completing the content each week, you will be asked to provide **feedback** via an online link, and complete some **questionnaires** on the wellbeing of you and your child. Additional questionnaires will also be required weekly for up to 4 weeks before the program, as well as fortnightly for 8 weeks after finishing the program.



Additionally, you will receive one short **check-in phone call** a week, with the lead researcher, Annabel. This will last no longer than 20 minutes and is an opportunity to discuss the week's content and answer any questions you may have.

Do I have to take part?

Taking part in this research is **entirely voluntary**, and you are free to make your own choice about whether you take part.

You have the **right to withdraw** at any point in time, without having to provide any reason. You just need to contact anyone from the research team and let them know

What will happen to the information I provide?

Any information you provide will be stored in an encrypted password-protected folder on a secure drive. **Any identifying details, including your name, will be removed.**

Data from phone calls, questionnaires and feedback will not be linked to any contact details that you provide. All contact details will be stored separately so that **your family cannot be identified.**

Once the project is complete, the information you have given us will be kept **safely by the University of Bath.**

The only situation in which confidentiality will be broken is if anything concerns us about your safety or the safety of others. In this case, we will follow the University Safeguarding Processes to keep everyone safe.

What will happen to the results of this research?

The findings of the research may be published in research journals or used in presentations. If you would like to see a summary of the findings, this can be arranged.

University of Bath Privacy Notice

The University of Bath privacy notice can be found here:

<https://www.bath.ac.uk/corporate-information/university-of-bath-privacy-notice-for-research-participants/>

What do I do if I would like to take part or have any questions?

You can contact us to arrange a suitable time to discuss any questions you may have, email: DLD.research@bath.ac.uk

You can also speak to the supervisor on the project, Charlotte Dack, email: cnd31@bath.ac.uk

If you have any concerns related to your participation in this study, please direct them to the Chair of the Department of Psychology Research Ethics Committee, email: psychology-ethics@bath.ac.uk.



Many thanks for taking the time to read this. We would be delighted if you would be willing to take part!

