

Dear Family,

Welcome to The Speech Dynamic Speech, Language, and Myofunctional Therapy!

Thank you for choosing The Speech Dynamic, PLLC to help your child achieve his speech and language goals. We realize that you have options regarding speech therapy for your child and we are happy you selected us to assist your child in achieving these goals. The new client paperwork packet includes important information about the therapeutic process including financial, attendance and privacy policies. Please take time to fill out the client history form as completely as possible to enable a most accurate treatment plan. Additionally, if your child has had any recent assessments completed by other health care professional including but not limited to an Audiologist, ENT, etc. please provide copies so that we are able to get the whole picture of your child. Completed form brought may initial visit emailed packets be to the or to BrookeAndrews@thespeechdynamic.com

Sincerely,

Brooke Andrews, M.A., CCC-SLP Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist TX license # 111520 ASHA certification # 12153533



#### The Speech Dynamic- Pricing

<u>Assessment:</u> We utilize both informal and formal testing measures, including child/parent/caregiver interview, clinical observations, play-based assessment when necessary, as well as standardized tests to evaluate your speech and language skills. We look at your child's strengths and needs in different areas of communication. A written evaluation, recommendations, and strategies for your child's specific communication profile is provided. 60-90 minutes Price:

Language Assessment: \$ 350

<u>Therapy:</u> We use evidence based treatment approaches and customize a plan based on you child's strengths and needs. All therapy is individualized to meet your child's unique learning style, incorporate his/her personal interests, and capitalize on his/her strengths to support growth and development of his/her language skills. A summary of the session is provided for the parents and a home plan with written strategies to work on during the week..

\$135: 45 minutes Travel time: \$15 per 15 minutes

<u>Payment:</u> We are currently an out-of-network provider with all insurance companies. However, this does *not* mean that your insurance company will not cover some/all services.

Payment for services is provided directly by the family to The Speech Dynamic via check or our secure online portal. Once payment is received, families are provided a Paid Invoice with treatment/evaluation service and diagnosis codes. Please call your insurance company to find out if you are eligible for out-of-network speech language therapy and/or evaluation reimbursement. Ask if your insurance company accepts CPT code 92507 and if they require an ICD-10 code (furnished from an evaluation). Should insurance companies require additional documentation to authorize, justify, and/or extend services, we are happy to provide the necessary paperwork.

If pursuing an evaluation only, ask if your company accepts code 92523



# **Informed Consent for Speech Therapy**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the parent/legal guardian of

\_\_\_\_\_ hereby request and consent for The Speech Dynamic, PLLC to perform treatment and care for my child

I acknowledge and agree that the parent/caregiver plays an integral role in a treatment and agree that a parent or caregiver will be present during each treatment session.

I have carefully read and fully understand this Informed Consent Form and have had the opportunity to discuss it with the treating therapist.

I consent and authorize The Speech Dynamic PLLC to administer treatment under the direction and supervision of a licensed Speech-Language Pathologist.

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date



### **Policies and Procedures**

**Payment:** We are currently an out-of-network provider with all insurance companies. However, this does not mean that your insurance company will not cover some/all services. Payment for services is provided directly by the family to **The Speech Dynamic via check or cash at the time of service**. Once payment is received, families are provided a Paid Invoice with treatment/evaluation service and diagnosis codes. Please call your insurance company to find out if you are eligible for out of network speech language therapy and/or evaluation reimbursement. Ask if your insurance company accepts CPT code 92507 and if they require an ICD-10 code (furnished from an evaluation). Should insurance companies require additional documentation to authorize, justify, and/or extend services, I am happy to provide the necessary paperwork.

**Cancellation,** Make-Ups and No Shows: In the event that your child is not able to make an appointment, please contact Brooke via e-mail BrookeAndrews@thespeechdynamic.com or via phone 713-659-9346 Continuity of therapy is vital for the success of your child. We encourage make-ups for consistency of care. If you know you will be away, we will work together to schedule you either before or after you return. We use the following guidelines for your appointments.

In order to avoid a charge, please call or e-mail at least 24 hours in advance for any cancellation and/or to reschedule. Unfortunately, we will need to bill cancellations with less than 24 hours at the full session rate.

Vacations: **We do not "hold" spots for vacations over two weeks.** If you are away for longer than two weeks, please contact your therapist when you are back in town to see if you can schedule a new appointment.

However, if you are able to make-up the appointment at some other point within 1 week, then you will not be charged for the session.

\*NOTE: We understand that life happens, and that sometimes your child will not be able to make an appointment. Therefore, we allow 1 "free pass" without a fee.

**Sessions:** Sessions typically run 60 minutes. The last five-ten minutes of each session will be spent reviewing the session with a parent or caregiver and discussing strategies to work on at home. Articulation sessions are typically 30-45 minutes.

**Confidentiality**: Your privacy is very important to us. I recommend that you review the Notice of Privacy Policy for important details for maintaining confidentiality.

<u>Termination of Services</u>: Clients may terminate therapy services by phone, email, written notice or in person, at any time, for any reason. In the event that you do not honor your financial obligations to the Speech Dynamic, PLLC, services will be terminated. If a client accumulates three no-shows, termination of therapy is warranted. The Speech Dynamic, PLLC reserves the right to terminate services if I determine that the therapy schedule is not aggressive enough to guarantee positive outcomes in a reasonable amount of time

### Comments, Questions, Complaints: All feedback is encouraged!

The Speech Dynamic, PLLC strives to be the best in speech/language therapy. Positive comments are always welcome, and information about things I can do better is very valuable. If there is something you are not happy with, please bring it to our attention. Every effort will be made to make the necessary changes to make your experience positive.

<u>Changes in Policy</u>: The Speech Dynamic, PLLLC reserves the right to make policy changes at any time. Clients will be informed of any policy changes prior to their implementation.

You will only be contacted via the method(s) chosen on your Contact Information form. It is up to you to make sure contact information is kept current. If you would like The Speech Dynamic to exchange information with another person or professional, an Authorization for Release of Information form must be completed.

I acknowledge and agree to the following policies and procedures

Signature

Date

# **Credit Card Payment Authorization**

You authorize regularly scheduled charges to your Credit Card. You will be charged the amount indicated below each billing period. A receipt for each payment will be provided to you and the charge will appear on your Credit Card Account Statement. You agree that no prior-notification will be provided unless the date or amount changes, in which case you will receive notice from us at least 10 days prior to the payment being collected.

I \_\_\_\_\_\_ authorize The Speech Dynamic to charge my Credit Card on file below for \$`115/45 minutes following each speech therapy.

Goods / Services Rendered: Speech Therapy

#### **Billing Details**

Billing Address	Phone #
City, State, Zip	Email
Credit Card Information	
□ - Visa □ - MasterCard □ - AMEX □ - Discover	
Cardholder's Name	Expiration Date
Card Number:	CVC Code:
Individual's Signature	Date



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2-Way Release of Information

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, have provided a complete and up to date list of all of my current physicians and providers of care in the list below along with their phone numbers and specialty. I am authorizing The Speech Dynamic/ Brooke Andrews and all of the physicians and other individuals or groups listed to consult and communicate freely regarding my progress, prescriptions and any issues that may affect my child's health, safety, recovery progress as deemed appropriate by Brooke Andrews and/or the physicians I have listed below. I understand that this supports my continuity of care and may increase the quality of service I receive as a whole. I may also list any family members or other service providers whom I wish to be included for continuity of care. I understand that I do not have to sign this release and if I choose not to I may speak with my physician or other providers of care.

Physician	
Specialty	
Phone	
Other Provider (OT, PT, etc.)	
Phone	
Client's Name (printed)	
Client's Signature	
Date	



### Acknowledgment That You Have Received Our HIPAA Privacy Notice

The Speech Dynamic, PLLC is required by law to keep your health information safe. This information may include:

- notes from your doctor, teacher, or other health care provider
- your medical history
- your test results
- treatment notes

Protecting the privacy of your child and your family is extremely important to us, and HIPAA mandates it. Some information will be transmitted electronically. The HIPAA privacy rule allows us to communicate with you electronically provided that we apply reasonable safeguards when doing so. The privacy rule does not prohibit the use of unencrypted email and text for treatment related communications. For written progress reports, appointment reminders, updates etc, you have my permission to:

Check all that apply

Send e-mails from our HIPPA compliant server

Send text messages regarding appointment confirmations and times

We are required by law to give you a copy of our privacy notice. This notice tells you how your health information may be used and shared. It also tells you how you can look at and comment on your information.

By signing this page, you are saying that you have been given a copy of our privacy notice.

Print Child's Name

Date

Patient or Parent/Guardian Signature

Relationship to Child



## **Case History Form**

Child's Name:	DOB:	
Mailing Address:		
Parent E-mail:		
Home Telephone:	Cell:	
Child's Physician:	Phone:	
*Information provided in this history is confidential and us child. This information will not be provided to other agend	•	•
Family History:		
Mother's Name:	Occupation:_	
History of Speech, Language, or Learning Problem	YES	NO
If YES, please explain		
Father's Name:	Occupation:_	
History of Speech, Language, or Learning Problem:	YES	NO
If YES, please explain:		
Child's Sibling's- Names & Ages:		
Who currently lives at home with your child:		

Is there a family history (parent, siblings, aunt, uncles, cousins, grandparents) of any of the following:

	Family Member		Family Member
Hearing Lo	SS	Alcoholism	
Learning D	Disability	Seizure Disorder	
Reading D	ifficulty	Mental Illness	
Speech Dil	fficulty	Drug Abuse:	
ls English t	the only language spoken at hom	eYES	NO
If NO, what	t is the primary language spoken	at home?:	
Prenatal &	Birth Complications: Check an	y items that apply during	g the birth of your child:
During pre	gnancy:		
	Excessive Vomiting	RH Incompatibility _	Significant Illness
	Drug use	Alcohol Use	Smoking
pressure	Previous Miscarriages	Trauma/Injuries	High blood
Labor & De	elivery		
	_ Full Term	Premature:	weeks early
	Normal Delivery	Forceps Delivery	
	Cesarean	Birth Weight	
Complication	ons After Birth:		
	_ Difficulty Breathing	Difficulty sucking	Difficulty Feeding
	Seizures	Jaundice	
Please exp	lain any items above:		

Medical History: Has your child had any of the following?

Chicken Pox	Encephalitis	Asphyxia (Oxygen/breathing loss)
Meningitis	Asthma	Allergies
Head injury	Seizures	Tonsils/Adenoids Removed
Multiple Ear Infe	ctions Tubes Inserted	? Which ear?
Additional Information:		
<ul> <li>List any medications your ch</li> </ul>	nild currently takes, dosages,	and why:
List any other diagnosis you	r child has been found to hav	/e:
Hearing History:		
Do you suspect your child ha	as a hearing loss?	
If YES, what behavior does	your child display that lead yo	ou to suspect a hearing loss?
- Has your child's bearing bee	en tested? YES _	NO
Where and When:		
Results of Testing:		
Does your child have hearin	g aids?:YES	NO
If so, in which ears:		

Has your child had 4 or more ear infections within the last 6 months? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO **Speech/Language Development:** Please indicate the approximate age your child reached the following milestones (estimate):

Cooing, pleasure sounds Babblin da)	g (ba-ba da-
Jargon (talking in his/her "own language") single	words
Phrases (if applicable)	
How does your child let you know what he/she wants? Please check all that apply	
Looking at objects Pointing to Objects Gestures	
Crying Making sounds Touch/grab	
Single words 2-3 words Sentences	
Describe your child's speech	
Easy to understand	
Easy for family members to understand, difficult for others	
Difficult for family members to understand and also difficult for others to u	nderstand
Does your child get "stuck" or "stutter" while speaking?	
Explain:	
Does your child have difficulty with pronouncing certain kinds of words?:	
Explain:	
Do you have concerns about your child's voice? (hoarse, breathy, soft, very loud) _	
Explain:	

Describe the speech and language problems you notice with your child: (ex: not talking, using only few words, using one word, saying words incorrectly, repeating words)

Is your child aware or frustrated by his/her speech and language difficulties? If yes, Explain Y or N  $\,$ 

Is your child's speech and language difficulties noticed by others? If yes, please tell who. Y or N

Has your child received speech therapy or another developmental therapy (OT, PT, etc.) before?

If YES, where and for how long?:\_\_\_\_\_

Does your child (please check what applies only)

\_\_\_\_ identify common objects (chair, table) \_\_\_\_ understand/follow commands (get cup, come here)

\_\_\_\_ identify actions (run, walk, talk) \_\_\_\_\_ respond correctly to "wh" questions (who, what)

\_\_\_\_ respond correctly to yes/no questions \_\_\_\_\_ understand basic concepts (up/down, in/out)

Does your child imitate sounds? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child imitate words: \_\_\_\_\_

Check which gestures your child uses:

Which gestures does your child use \_\_\_\_\_ giving

pushing away			
raising arms showing			
reaching			
waving			
shaking head "no"			
Motor Development: What age did	your child demon	strate the	following (estimate)
Sitting up	Crawling		Standing
Walking	Finger Feeding		Eating with a spoon
Potty-trained (if applicable	e) undr	essing self	(if applicable)
Feeding/Eating:			
Has your child any feeding difficulties	5?		
Sucking or nursing		Excessive	length of time to drink a bottle
Regurgitation of liquids throug	h the nose I	Difficulty ch	newing or swallowing
Choking and/or gagging		Picky eate	r"
If you describe your child as "picky,"	which food do they	prefer?:	
Social/Emotional Development: Cl	neck behaviors that	it describe	e your child:
Overly quiet	_ Overly active		_ excessive tantrums
Destructive	_ Friendly/outgoing		plays well with other children
Prefers older kids	_ Prefers younger I	kids	_ Defiant
Trouble sleeping	Plays poorly with	others	
Prefers to play by himself	Plays "along	side," but	not "with" other children
Check all that apply:			
uses social greetings (hi, bye)	makes eye cor	tact	
plays well with others	shares toys/th	nings easily	/

initiate play with others	takes turns		
Check all of the types of play	your child likes to do the most often:		
Putting toys in mouth	Banging toys together	Throwing toys	
Pushing/pulling toys	Uses toys appropriately I	Rough and tumble play	
Role-playing games	Make believe play	Games with rules	
Describe any emotional or behavioral concerns:			
Educational History:			
School/ Preschool:			
How many days per week?			
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