

ATANZ is excited to host

Describing and supporting complex communication needs for adults with intellectual disability - webinar

presented by Speech Language Therapist

Hannah Barnes

Speech-language therapist - Spectrum Care

Date: Tuesday 11 May 2021

Time: 12.30-2.00pm

Zoom: A link will be emailed after registration

Pricing:

ATANZ member - \$50

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Adults with intellectual disabilities have complex communication needs, and often live in complex environments. The diverse population that can be considered ‘adults with intellectual disability’, have a huge variety of communication skills and support needs.

In this webinar, Hannah will discuss how Spectrum Care, a disability support provider, describes people’s receptive and expressive language in a way that is strengths based, and can help to identify the support needs a person may have. This webinar will cover:

- Describing receptive and expressive language for a wide range of communication abilities.
- Practical tips and strategies for working with people with different communication abilities.
- Working in complex environments – the practical and logistical considerations when implementing communication supports in a supported living setting.

- Working closely with direct support staff, and networks around a person with a disability to maximise communication, independence, engagement and whanaungatanga (connection).

Who can attend?

This webinar is open to professionals and clinicians such as Speech-Language Therapists, Behaviour Advisors, Occupational Therapists and others. We also welcome people working in the disability sector in management or direct support roles, whanau, and anyone interested in understanding the communication of adults with intellectual disabilities.

Why attend?

The aim of this webinar is to give participants an understanding of the wide range of communication skills and abilities of adults with intellectual disability, as well as review practical strategies to help maximise communication.



Presenter: Hannah Barnes *Practice Lead Speech-Language Therapy*

Bachelor of Speech-Language Therapy with Honours

Hannah is the Speech-Language Therapy Practice Lead at Spectrum Care, a disability support provider whose vision is 'every person with a disability deserves a life of choice, freedom and independence'.

Hannah and the Speech-Language Therapy team work to support people with intellectual disabilities and their key communication partners to maximise communication. Hannah's role includes managing individualised SLT services, as well as designing and improving services and systems that proactively identify and meet people's communication needs.

Learn more about Spectrum Care here: <https://www.spectrumcare.org.nz/>