

Looking for Private Practitioners for a child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder?

If you are looking for a private assessment, arranging one typically begins with your Paediatrician. You will need to request a referral from your GP in order to see a Paediatrician. Your Paediatrician can refer you to a Psychologist and Speech Pathologist for an Autism Assessment and arrange for you to receive some rebates through Medicare for the assessment.

We recommend that all children and young people diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder see a Paediatrician regularly. Paediatricians can monitor your child's development and make sure that your child is receiving the support they need. At times your child may benefit from treatment from a Speech Pathologist, Psychologist, or Occupational Therapist. Your Paediatrician can help with referring your child for further support. For children and young people who have been diagnosed with ASD, there are some Medicare rebates for therapy available to help with covering the cost of this. Your Paediatrician will need to arrange referrals in order to allow you to access these rebates. Additionally, Autism Advisors (funded by Department of Human Services) can be contacted on 1300 424 499, to inform you of other service providers and options.

To assist families in search of private therapy options, we have compiled lists of Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists and Psychologists who provide intervention for children and young people with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Many of these professionals are not associated with the Royal Children's Hospital or personally known to the Autism Assessment Team; however they have indicated that they have the necessary skills and experience to provide treatment to children with these difficulties. We recommend that you chose a professional who you and your child feel comfortable working with.

Please feel free to call the Autism Assessment Team on 9345 4026 should you wish to discuss this further.

Frances Saunders
Autism Team Coordinator

March 2012

Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

PAEDIATRICIANS

who may diagnose and/or treat children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Dr Yolanda Arduca

Complete Children's Health, 82 Holmes Road, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039

Phone: 9375 7833

Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Dr Chitra Chandran

Suite 7, 90 Mitcham Road, Donvale VIC 3111

Phone: 9841 9388

Email: chitra@chandran.com.au <<mailto:chitra@chandran>>

Dr. Natasha Dilla

Complete Children's Health, 82 Holmes Road, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039

Phone: 9375 7833

Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Dr. Daryl Efron

General Medicine, Royal Children's Hospital, Parkville Vic 3052

Phone: 9345 4563

Dr. Geoff Ford

85 Buckley Street, Essendon 3040

Phone: 9326 0233

Dr Rubina Hameed

Northpark Private Hospital

Corner Plenty and Greenhills Rd, Bundoora 3083

Phone: 9468 0110

and

Main Road Specialist Centre

1185 Main Road, Eltham 3095

Tel: 9341 1244

www.rubyhameedpaediatrician.com.au

Dr. Sue Kermond

Dianella Community Health

PO Box 197, Glenroy Vic 3046

21-27 Hudson Circuit, Meadow Heights, Victoria 3048

Phone: 9302 8888

Dr. Rick Jarman

Community Child Health, Royal Children's Hospital, Parkville Vic 3052

Phone; 9345 6358

Diamond Valley Specialist Centre, 17 Grimshaw Street, Greensborough Vic 3088

Phone: 0487 508 035

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Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

Dr Shaamini Lokuge-Hayes

Barkers Road Specialist Centre, Kew

Phone: 9817 3166

Fax: 9817 4899

Email: shaamini@tpg.com.au

Dr Jo Martin

Complete Children's Health, 82 Holmes Road, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039

Phone: 9375 7833

Days: Tuesday, Thursday

Dr Elisa Rough

Surrey Hills Paediatrics, 893a Riversdale Rd, Camberwell, 3124

Phone: 9078 4838

Fax: 9836 1151

Email: elisarough@surreyhillspaediatrics.com.au

Dr Margaret Rowell

85 Buckley Street, Essendon VIC 3040

Phone: 9326 1711

Email: mrowell@hotmail.net.au

Days: Tuesdays

Dr Kerry Saunders

Suite 42, Level 1, 431 St Kilda Road, Melbourne VIC 3004

Phone: 9820 0410

Days: Monday to Friday

Dr. Robert Sloane

Suite 123, Freemasons Medical Centre 320 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne 3002

Phone: 9416 3508

Dr Anne Smith

Suite 6, Sunbury Private Consulting Suites, Corner Riddell Road and Spavin Drive,

Sunbury VIC 3429

Phone: 9218 5274

Dr Martin Wright

Sunshine Hospital Private Consulting Rooms, 147 Furlong Road, St Albans VIC 3021

Phone: 8345 1855

Days: Friday morning

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SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS

who offer intervention or assessment for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental difficulties

Aspect Speech Pathology

Bernadette O'Connor and Associates
93-95 Rose Street, Essendon VIC 3040
Phone: 9337 2323

Simone Beks

42 Ballard Street, Yarraville VIC 3013
Phone: 0414 467 887
Email: simonemb@bigpond.com
Individual work, specialising in high functioning children, social skills training

Anna Breakell

Windy Hill Medical Clinic
141 Napier Street, Essendon VIC 3040
Phone: 9370 9555/0413 850 147
26 Brighton Street, Flemington VIC 3031
Phone: 9376 7175/0413 850 147
Email: breakell@hotkeys.net.au

Jenny Buckland

Level 1, 199 Queens Parade, Clifton Hill 3068
Phone: 0409 413 076
Days: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
Special interest in pre-school children

Nola Cranwell

27 Wilson Place, Bacchus Marsh 3340
Phone: 5367 3051
Email: jncranwell@aapt.net.au

Crisalida Child, Adolescent, and Family Therapy

391A St Georges Road, Fitzroy North 3068
Phone: 9481 1233
Email: crisalida@optusnet.com.au
Individual work, Social skills programs, group work, parent groups

Anna Evans

Brain and Language Connections
6/497 Burke Rd, Hawthorn East 3123
Phone: 0409 850 082
Email: asevans25@gmail.com
Website: www.blcspeech.com.au
HCWA registered, social skills groups, Fast For Word

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Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

Maria Guzzardi

64A Fenton Street, Ascot Vale 3032

East Keilor Clinic, 46 Milleara Rd, East Keilor 3033

Phone: 0408 711 706

Email: mariaguzzardi@gmail.com

Clinic and home sessions, kinder and school visits, HCWA & FaCHSIA registered

Pauline Hatty and Chantelle Marks (A,I)

Western Speech Pathology

Building 2, 1-11 Dunnings Road, Point Cook 3030

Phone: 0411 139 523

Maria Kouspos

54 Nepean Hwy, Brighton 3186

Phone: 0402 538 116

Will do home visits throughout Metropolitan Melbourne

Sonia Marson (A,I)

24 Possum Tail Run, Sunbury VIC

Phone: 0415 503 317

Email: marsonsonia@hotmail.com

Days: Wednesday, Friday

Northern Speech Pathology Service

77 Holmes Street, East Brunswick

Phone: 9383 7733

Betty Mihelakos 0419 368 390

Miranda Van Styn 0419 133 895

Bridget Knol 0421 025 549

271 Heidelberg Rd, Northcote 3070

Michelle Rahmani

Tullamarine Clinic

1 Dudley Court, Gladstone Park

Phone: 0431 101 956

A FaCHSIA provider, with a multi-lingual background having lived in both Mauritius and Iran.

Therese Ryan

PO Box 1426, Kensington VIC 3031

Phone: 0409 922 168

Email: toptalking@gmail.com

Practicing in Kensington and Werribee, FaCHSIA & EPC registered, small groups or individual work

Spectrum Speech Pathology

827 Mount Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039

Phone: 9326 1699

Days: Monday to Friday

Offer parent training and social skills programs.

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Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

Gwyneth Wenlock

35 Central Avenue, Altona VIC 3018

Phone: 0412 868 379

Email: gwynethwenlock@vic.chariot.net.au

Days: Wednesday 9 to 3pm

Individual sessions, school and kinder visits

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PSYCHOLOGISTS

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Autism Partnership

Karen McKinnon, Director/Psychologist
53 Fletcher Street, Essendon VIC 3040
P.O. Box 253, Essendon 3040
Phone: 9375 2469
Fax: 9375 7709
Email: karen.mckinnon@autismpartnership.com.au

Dr Suzanne Barrett

Suite 603, 89 High Street, Kew VIC 3101
Phone: 0423 736 777
Email: sbarrett515@gmail.com.
Days: Thursdays
Special interest in anxiety and emotional difficulties in children with Asperger Syndrome

Mandy Biancucci

Suite 29A, 82 Keilor Rd, Essendon North 3041
Phone: 9336 2033
Fax: 9351 0509
Email: m_biancucci@yahoo.com.au
APS provider. Individual and group therapy, consultation to schools

Crisalida Child, Adolescent, and Family Therapy

391A St Georges Road, Fitzroy North 3068
Phone: 9481 1233
Email: crisalida@optusnet.com.au
Individual work, Social skills programs, group work, parent groups

Sarah Dixon

64 Derrimut Road, Hoppers Crossing Vic 3029
Phone: 0410 491 366
Email: s.l.dixon@hotmail.com
Days: Fridays 1 to 7pm, Home visits by appointment

Tanya King

168 Heaths Road, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Phone: 9748 9755
Email: tanyaking@lewisandlewis.com.au
Days: Friday 9am-5pm
Special interest in preschoolers

Michelle Jimeno

PO Box 2405, Melton South 3338
Phone: 0412 293 700
Email: michelle.jimeno@bigpond.com
www.creativesteps.com.au

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Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

Dr Janine Manjiviona

544 Brunswick Street, North Fitzroy VIC 3068
Phone: 9891 6835
Days: Monday to Wednesday, Fridays
Specialising in Aspergers Syndrome

Dr Rebecca Mathews

60 Elgin Street, Carlton VIC 3053
Phone: 0410 294 222

Dr. Lisa Milne

140 Princes Street, Carlton North 3054
Phone: 9440 5687

Allison Parkington

13 Keilor Road, Essendon 3040
Essendon Health Hub
Phone: 0439 027 357
alison.parkington@gmail.com

Paola Piccione

258 Maribyrnong Road, Moonee Ponds VIC 3039
27 Sydney Road, Coburg VIC 3058
Phone: 0403 216 834
Email: p.piccione@optusnet.com.au
Behaviour management, cognitive assessments, Medicare registered

Dr Chris Pratt

60 Elgin Street, Carlton VIC 3053
Phone: 0424 791 790

Michele Whitehouse

5 Kenilworth Grove, Glen Iris VIC 3146
Phone: 9885 4529

Dr Fiona Zandt

155 Drummond St, Carlton 3053
GPO Box 2151, Melbourne VIC 3001
Email: fiona.zandt@bigpond.com.au
Days: Saturday only
Phone: 0438 291 077
Special interest in anxiety

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Private Practitioners – Autism Spectrum

RMIT University

Department of Psychology and Disability Studies

Bundoora Campus Clinic

Plenty Road, Bundoora

City Campus Clinic

Level 5, Building 6 Bowen St (off La Trobe Street), Melbourne 3000

Phone: 9925 7603

Email: clinic@rmit.edu.au

University subsidized psychology clinic for assistance with a wide range of behavioural issues including bedwetting, toileting, sleeping, educational problems, depression, anxiety and phobias.

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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

who offer intervention for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental difficulties

Robyn Barhram

757 Drummond Street, North Carlton 3054

Phone: 9347 9371

Email: rbarhrsm@optusnet.com.au

Specialised in fine motor skills especially handwriting.

Crisalida Child, Adolescent, and Family Therapy

391A St Georges Road, Fitzroy North 3068

Phone: 9481 1233

Email: crisalida@optusnet.com.au

Individual work, Social skills programs, group work, parent groups

Cathy Love

Kids Therapy Network

827 Mount Alexander Rd, Moonee Ponds 3039 & 4 other sites

Phone: 9532 7509

Email: cathy@kidstherapynetwork.com.au

Website: www.kidstherapynetwork.com.au

Days: Monday – Saturday 9am-6pm

Sensory gym on site, Medicare and health insurance registered, individual work.

Lee Francis

Occupational Therapist, Crisalida Child, Adolescent, and Family Therapy

391A St Georges Road, Fitzroy North 3068

Phone: 9481 1233

Email: crisalida@optusnet.com.au

Skill development in individual or small group sessions. Also utilising Performing Arts and dance – Spring into Action program

Angela Madden

59 Highfield Road, Canterbury 3126

Phone: 9836 5800

Email: madden@bigpond.net.au

or otmelbourne@yahoo.com.au

Melbourne Occupational Therapy Associates (Kathy Clarkson Director)

1014 Lygon St, North Carlton 3054

Phone: 9387 1734

Email: info@melbourneot.com

Special interest in sensory processing and modulation issues and behavioural management

Helen Miller

3 Robbs Pde, Northcote 3070

Phone: 9410 9693

Email: helenmillerot@bigpond.com

Individual work and school transition groups

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