

# What is DLD?

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Developmental Language Disorder or DLD is a difference in brain development that affects a person's ability to understand others and to communicate their ideas in conversation. DLD tends to be hidden, sometimes misdiagnosed as negative behavior or inattention.

## What is Developmental Language Disorder?

- DLD is hidden, but often affects 1 out of 14 students in a classroom.
- DLD can affect communication throughout the lifespan.
- DLD can impact social relationships and emotional well-being.
- DLD is associated with risks for literacy and/or learning disorders.
- DLD has no known cause, but it may run in families.



# Services for Developmental Language Disorder at the USLHC

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- Diagnostic evaluations and individual therapy services are offered at the University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic (USLHC) at the University of Houston main campus.
- All services are provided by graduate students in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders under the supervision of a licensed and certified speech-language pathologist.



# Possible Signs Of DLD

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People with DLD might...

- have difficulty remembering the words they want to say.
- retell stories without a clear beginning, middle, and end.
- add fewer details when giving an explanation.
- find it hard to understand jokes and figurative language.
- have difficulty with reading and writing tasks.

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## Registration Required

Call 713-743-0915 to register or email Michele Ozgen at [uslhc@uh.edu](mailto:uslhc@uh.edu).

## Fees

- Sliding scale based on income

## Schedule

Varies – Approximately 12 weeks in the fall and spring semesters

## Who is Eligible?

Children and adults with concerns regarding their oral (speaking & listening) and written language (reading & writing).

## Location


The University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic – Main UH Campus


*Equitable Treatment Services at the USLHC are available to all people, regardless of gender expression and identity, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, age, disabilities, religious beliefs, and socioeconomic status.*


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The University Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic is located in the Melcher Life Sciences building next to the Fertitta Center.

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## SERVICES OFFERED AT THE USLHC

### Child Speech & Language

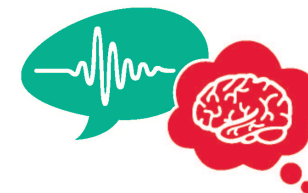
- Pre-K Language Learning Group
- Language Development
- Speech Sounds
- Literacy
- Apraxia
- Fluency
- Autism
- Social Skills

### Adult Speech, Language, & Cognition

- Aphasia
- Post Stroke Communication Group
- Transgender Voice
- Fluency
- American English Accent Training

### Hearing Services

- Drop-off hearing aid cleaning and repair services



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