

**Are you a professional working with children who have a diagnosis of DLD?**

**Would you like to be involved in delivering the award-winning "DLD Together" training course for parents?**



"DLD Together" is a course for families of children and young people with DLD. It was developed in collaboration with NAPLIC. We are aware that families want to know more about DLD and are finding it hard to access information. We believe that well informed and well supported families are essential if children and young people with DLD are to reach their full potential.

Feedback from a  
Speech and Language  
Therapist who has  
delivered the course.

The feedback we got from delivering our first DLD parents course was amazing! The virtual group gelled from the first session and the support they gave to each other was both practical and very heart felt. All of the parents (and the grandparents that attended too) said that they would recommend all parents of a child with DLD should attend so that they could build on their knowledge and understand how to help their child more effectively. We are now ready to deliver our second course and already we are over subscribed - just goes to show how much this is needed.

### Course details

- 7 weekly sessions lasting 60-90 minutes
- Can be delivered via Zoom/Teams, or in person
- There is no cost to parents to attend the course
- Course participants will be offered ongoing support from Afasic

Every family of a child or young person with Developmental Language Disorder needs to understand the condition, its impact on their child and what they can do to help them. By knowing more and connecting with other families they will be able to support their child better. Our ambition is that over time they become a large influential voice.

Please contact [claireh@afasic.org.uk](mailto:claireh@afasic.org.uk) for more information.

"I would highly recommend this course to all parents, carers and people working with children to help them gain a better understanding of children living with DLD. Having completed the course, I feel much better equipped to help my son and to spread awareness to other people about the difficulties of living with DLD and how to best support them in a classroom environment and the wider world."

Feedback from a family member who attended the course.

An estimated 1 million children and young people in the UK have DLD. Our long-term aim is that it is standard practice across the UK for services to offer this training as part of their DLD pathway. The course is already well established in many areas, including Birmingham, Devon, Edinburgh, Newcastle and Sheffield, as well as several London Boroughs.

### Training for professionals

- FREE one-day online training session, provided by NAPLIC and Afasic.
- Open to any UK professionals.
- All materials provided.

You need to be working in an area where DLD diagnosis is happening regularly and be committed to run two groups per year. Colleagues are encouraged to attend together.

We often receive enquiries from family members who would like to attend the course and we run national courses for these families - but we do rely on trained professionals to volunteer to run these for us. If you are interested in volunteering to run national groups, then please get touch. These are online one evening per week for seven weeks.

If you are a parent looking to attend the course, please do check if your local provider offers the course. If they don't, please contact [claireh@afasic.org.uk](mailto:claireh@afasic.org.uk) and we will add you to our waiting list.