

The Children's Therapy and Nurse Service is an integrated service consisting of Community Children's Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, and Speech and Language Therapists.



Our Therapists work *directly* with children to:

- Assess the child's needs.
- Carry out regular work with the child to help them to improve or maintain their skills in particular areas of development.

We also work *indirectly* with children to:

- Collect information regarding their development, discuss concerns and goals with parents/carers.
- Share information with educational staff and other medical professionals to ascertain everyone's concerns and plans for the child.
- Train parents/ carers and staff to deliver programmes of work to help the child develop or maintain their skills.
- Deliver training courses for parents or professionals involved in a child's development.

If you would like to make an appointment for a child to see an Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist or Speech and Language Therapist please call the FASTA line (Faster Access to Sandwell Therapy Assessment): 0121 612 2010. Referrals may be instigated by professionals but parents must make the phone call to make the appointment.

**FASTA Opening times are:**

**Monday to Wednesday: 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.30-4pm**

**Thursday 9am-12.30pm and 1.30-3.30pm**

**(Please note the service is closed for lunch between 12.30-1.30pm)**

**During school holidays:**

**Monday to Wednesday: 8.30am-12.30pm Thursday: 9am-12pm**

childrens.therapies@nhs.net  
(for queries/comments only, not for booking appointments)  
Speech & Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy

Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals **NHS**  
NHS Trust

**ASTA**  
Fasta Access to Sandwell  
Therapy Assessment

Your child may need help from a therapist

To arrange an appointment, phone this number  
**0121 612 2010**

The image is a teal-bordered flyer for FASTA. It contains contact information, service details, and a phone number. An illustration shows a therapist sitting at a table with two children, one of whom is pointing at a document on the table.