

Speech and Language Services – Fee for Service Model Fee Schedule and Attendance Policies

About the H.A. Leeper Speech and Hearing Clinic

The H.A. Leeper Speech and Hearing Clinic (henceforth referred to as “the Clinic”) provides clinical education and training in audiology and speech-language pathology for graduate students enrolled in the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders. As an educational training facility, the Clinic’s speech and language services are provided by a team of graduate student clinicians working toward their master’s degree in speech-language pathology. Graduate student clinicians are supervised and guided by experienced speech-language pathologists registered with the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario (CASLPO).

Referrals are welcome for the following:

- Pediatric Motor Speech disorders
 - Moderate-severe articulation and phonology disorders
 - Childhood Apraxia of Speech
 - Dysarthria
- School-aged Speech and Language Disorders
 - Mild-moderate articulation/phonology disorders
 - Developmental language disorders
 - Autism
 - Language difficulties due to hearing loss
 - Stuttering (children under age 12)
- All referrals will be added to the wait list upon receipt of the intake form provided by the clinic.
- A commitment to participate in an 8-week therapy block is required when picked up for therapy.
- Clients are selected according to:
 - The type of service needed
 - Severity of presenting difficulty
 - Clients’ availability
 - Available appointment time slots

Fee Schedule

• Speech and/or Language Assessment (Consultation) (1-2 hours + Report)	\$125-200
• Individual Therapy Per Visit Rate	\$65.00
• Pediatric Motor Speech Summer Camp	\$600.00

Client Attendance and Payment Policies

Policy on Attendance

We expect clients to attend all of their scheduled therapy sessions. If clients are unable to attend a session, we request a notification **at least 24 hours in advance**. Where possible, clients will be offered a “make-up” session. Rescheduling of make-up sessions is at the discretion of the clinician based on availability. Repeated cancellations may result in being removed from the active caseload.

Attendance Policy on No-Show

Clients who miss an appointment without a prior notification or communication will be considered as 'no show'. Clients who 'no show' for two (2) consecutive appointments will be removed from the active caseload and their timeslot will be offered to the next available client on the waiting list.

Attendance Policy on Lateness

We expect clients to be on time for their assessment and therapy sessions. If clients expect that they will be late, please notify the Clinic's front desk office by phone at 519.661.2001 as soon as possible. Scheduled sessions may be cancelled if clients arrive **15 minutes** past their scheduled appointment time.

Policy on Payments and Invoices

- Payment can be submitted by in person by cash, debit or credit card (we accept Visa and MasterCard)
- Fees for all clinic services are due at the time of service. Failure to submit payment in a timely manner can result in termination of services.
- The Clinic has a fee adjustment and payment installment policy for those who qualify based on financial hardship. Financial hardship documentation is required.
- Official payment receipts for therapy sessions attended will be provided.

Policy on Payments for appointment No Shows

Clients will be charged 50% of the appointment fee for No Shows

Policy on Health Care Plan Coverage

Clinic services are not covered by health care funding from the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP). However, clients with extended (supplemental) health care plans or receiving Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) benefits may have partial or full coverage for speech and language services. Clients are encouraged to check with their benefit plan(s) for coverage. It is the client's responsibility to pay for services and to forward all receipts for reimbursement to the insurance company directly.

For more information on our speech and language services call the Clinic's front desk office by phone at 519.661.2001. To inquire or request a fee adjustment or installment plan contact Kim Spylo, Clinic Manager, 519.661.2111 Ext. 88214 or by email at kjspylo@uwo.ca.