



Assessments

REACH is able to provide formal and informal assessments in the area of Speech and Language and Assistive Technology.

Speech and Language Therapy

REACH Communication Services are staffed with licensed Speech and Language Pathologist and certified Speech and Language Assistants. We are able to provide speech and language therapy to children and adults.

Assistive Technology

REACH Communication Services are staffed with certified Assistive Technology Specialists. Our specialists are able to provide complete assessments, recommendations for equipment, and implementation for equipment.

Communication Groups

REACH provides small group sessions in the areas of speech and language, communication, and augmentative communication use. Participants develop communication skills to increase socialization, independence and advocacy.

Trainings

REACH staff is available to provide small and large group trainings in the areas of augmentative communication, assistive technology, autism, and functional communication. We have staff available to specifically speak on the use of Facilitated Communication Training and Rapid Prompt Method.

Communication Partner Services

REACH provides 1:1 communication partners. Communication partners are trained to support communication, and work toward more independent and functional communication.

Partners with:

Metric Music Therapy:

Peggy Schaefer MM, MT-BC, NMT
Metricmusictherapy.com

Real Connections Child

Development Institute:

Provides social-emotional developmental services.
Realconnectionsinstitute.com



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Other REACH Services:

Delta

Delta Services is a program which lends support and training to individuals interested in becoming more independent in their community.

Supported Living

Supported Living is a simple concept which enables a consumer to join with REACH to receive whatever assistance is necessary for the person to live in a decent and secure home of their own choosing.

Our Mission:
We transform lives of people with disabilities through innovative education, communication and housing services.

Who we are

- We are a non-public agency that assumes competence in all individuals
- We are an agency of Speech and Language Specialists and others working to train persons on being better communication partners.
- We are able to use strategies that increase the person's use of speech, body language, and technology so that they are actively participating in the conversation and learning.
- Our focus is not only on the individual with the severe communication impairment, but also on the communication partners.
- The overall goal is for an individual to have the most efficient means of communication available.
- We know it is best to team with the educators, occupational therapist, behavioral support persons, and families and strive to work with teams who focus on the individual.

*"Everyone Communicates—
you just have to listen."*

- Darlene Hanson

Our Vision



- To support families and teams who are not currently receiving communication services, and have to use unacceptable practice to receive support in their homes.
- People can change the way they view individuals with severe communication impairments and developmental disorders when they assume competence of all.
- We are all communicators and with today's technology and knowledge individuals who don't speak are also showing the ability to communicate.
- Communication is what allows us to connect with others, and develop long lasting as well as short term yet important relationships.
- When provided with the appropriate supports individuals with severe communication impairments are able to show their understanding, and contribute.
- Knowledge is functional. Education is appropriate for all. Without communication it is difficult to participate in education, personal goals, and every day life. A program that chooses to deny a person access to communicate cannot be accepted as a program in the persons best interest.
- There is a shortage in professionals who understand communication for those who are severely communication impaired. REACH offers training to those who support these individuals to create a communicative environment for all.
- All persons will have their right to communicate fulfilled.



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"...if all my possessions were taken from me with one exception, I would choose to keep the power of communication, for by it I would soon regain all the rest."

Daniel Webster
(1782-1852)

