

THE IMPACT OF REATTACH THERAPY ON LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT IN CHILDREN WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

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Abstract

Background: The research project looks into how reattach therapy benefits children with deficiencies in language acquisition. The goal of this study is to see if kids who have delays in development may profit from attachment therapy which is a form of intervention that focuses on enhancing communication. The study analyses the success rate of reattachment implementation. in boosting children's ability to speak and emphasizes the need to assist kids with language deficiencies.

Methods: This qualitative study uses secondary sources to examine how ReAttach therapy influences linguistic development in children with disabilities. The study's primary objective is to shed light on the manner in which ReAttach treatment affects linguistic growth in this group by reviewing current data from an array of professionals and resources.

Results: Attachment-based methods, such as attachment therapy, enable children to build powerful connections with their main caregivers in order to more effectively control their feelings and gain confidence regarding themselves. Communication and interpersonal abilities may profit from speech therapy's emphasis on interacting with others. Emotional problems are dealt with in ReAttach therapy by training patients how to express and regulate their feelings through words. In addition, supporting the language growth of kids necessitates paying attention to their social and emotional demands as well as their tactile ones.

Conclusion: This research indicates that ReAttach therapy may assist children who are below other kids in the development of language. Neuroplasticity is addressed along with the significance of attachment-based approaches, the integration of sensory input, and emotional control to promote recovery from disorders of communication.

Keyword: ReAttach Therapy, Language Growth, Developmental Delay, Emotional Regulation, Sensory Regulation, Parent Involvement

INTRODUCTION

ReAttach has been clinically demonstrated to be helpful for individuals who have moderate and serious psychological challenges, namely "autism spectrum disorder (ASD)", "disorders of personality", and "obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD)". ReAttach might be perceived as either an advantageous or indifferent emotion. Individuals who suffered trauma or dealt with stress significantly benefited from this approach. According to the researchers, it is helpful for many patients that they lack the opportunity to talk about what is troubling them. Through modifying their own mental constructs, it is possible to quickly and efficiently substitute detrimental behaviours with healthier and more adaptive ones (Grant et al. 2022, p.323). People of all ages with intellectual disabilities can use the technique, as it can be adjusted to their particular requirements. The most prevalent type of delay during growth is an interruption in language. One out of every five children acquire language abilities later than others their age. As kids face difficulty expressing what they want and require, they may act out destructively.

Delays in speech may be brief and mild, and they could be solved by themselves or with some additional support from family and friends. Spending a lot of time interacting with, talking to, and talking with the infant or toddler can promote language growth by allowing the child to "talk" to their parents using motions or sounds. The kids might need further assistance

from a speech and language therapist so as to further improve their communication skills. Delays are a red flag for when something more serious is going on, such as hearing loss, a delay in additional areas of development, or even ASD. Delays in the growth of language in pre-schoolers could be a sign of an intellectual impairment that goes undiagnosed until later in life. In case of worries regarding the child's growth in language, it is essential to have them evaluated.

ReAttach therapy can be called as a combination of "sensory integration therapy", "cognitive behavioural therapy" and "social emotional therapy" that can be used for promoting neuroplasticity and can help in case language delay in child development. "Speech and language therapy (SLT)" can be called a successful approach to address language delays for children (Lee et al. 2022, p.234). Studies have demonstrated that 20% of people are at increased risk of having disorders of communication. Life-changing treatment can be obtained from speech-language pathologists (SLPs). It can help people of all ages who have difficulties speaking, swallowing, or drinking liquids.

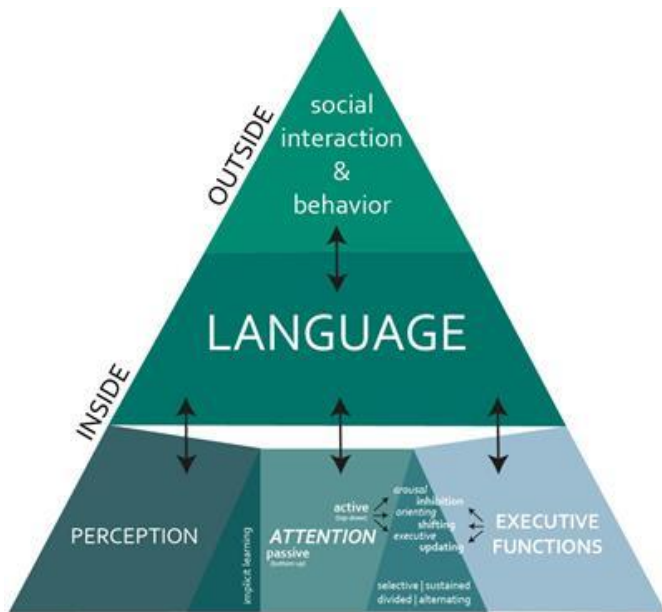


Figure 1: Language developmental disorder
(Source: Lee et al. 2022, p.234)

Specialists in the profession of speech-language pathology (SLPs) assess and manage patients of any age who have problems with language, speech, or interaction. People experiencing eating and swallowing problems are assessed, given therapy, and given tailored programs to help them. SLTs utilize their skills to give individual attention to patients as well as their relatives (Rosenbaum et al. 2021, p.1027). They work alongside teachers and other medical professionals, such as doctors, nurses, and psychologists, to develop specific therapies for every patient. In the case of children, it can also involve play based activities. “Augmentative and alternative communication (AAC)” or any kind of structured exercises.

METHODS AND SUBJECTS

A researcher’s method outlines the steps that must be taken to finish a study. It is a systematic, thoughtful approach to resolving a research problem. A research technique defines the procedures utilized by the researcher to get the desired, consistent outcomes. A researcher has to make an assortment of decisions while establishing an approach to conducting research. Researchers may choose to concentrate on collecting information in words, numbers, or both, depending on the kind of research they are doing. As soon as the goal of an investigation is approved, researchers usually choose a quantitative strategy (Shih et al. 2021, p.1228). Numbers are the primary concern, and a large sample size is utilized for evaluation and measurement purposes. They subsequently employ statistical techniques of data evaluation and comparison to draw conclusions. Textual and spoken information are the main sources for qualitative research. It may offer an in-depth description of a researcher’s findings by emphasising body language or visual characteristics. Qualitative data in research is more subjective than quantitative data and requires more time to finish (Dada et al. 2021, p.251). As a study’s objectives and goals are unrestricted, researchers frequently select a qualitative methodology. The present investigation makes use of qualitative research evaluations based on secondary sources. Secondary data is all about second hand information that has already been collected by multiple researchers or investigators and presented in journals, scholars and websites. As different scholars and journals are used in the research it becomes more informative and richer with a less dull

narrative. Therefore, the use of secondary qualitative data analysis has enhanced the reliability as well as validity of the present study.

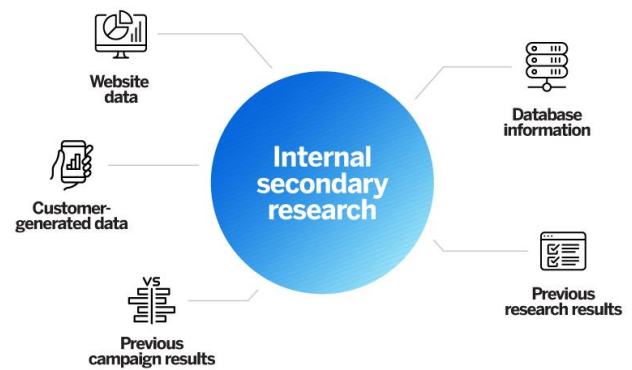


Figure 2: Secondary data
(Source: Dada et al. 2021, p.251)

In order to comprehend thoughts, opinions, or events, qualitative investigators gather and evaluate data that is not quantitative in nature. Researchers could benefit from previously collected qualitative data through the use of a secondary study. Reattach therapy and language growth for kids with disabilities can be the subject of discussions, observations, and research projects (Smythe et al. 2021, p.222). Compared with collecting new primary data, getting access to such data can prove more productive and affordable. The incorporation of secondary sources and information integration can strengthen the reliability of a research project. Multiple data sets from different sources can be integrated with comparisons to enhance results and ensure the accuracy of findings. Through taking into consideration a wide range of perspectives and environments, researchers may acquire a broader understanding of the way ReAttach therapy impacts linguistic growth. For the present study all the information has been collected from different scholars, online journals, websites, newspapers and several others.

RESULT

Theme 1: Impact of sensory integration in language development

The way the five senses, such as “hearing”, “noticing”, “smelling”, and “tasting” transfer data to the brain so that humans can effectively respond to those feelings is known as “sensory integration (SI)”. SI is vital as it acts as a basis for complex learning and behaviour by helping the brain interpret and organize information from the senses. As a child has problems integrating sensory information, referred to as “sensory processing disorder”, their brains and bodies misunderstand sensory signals, leading to difficulties with their capacity to perform regular everyday duties (Iverson 2021, p.234). Children who have difficulty with autonomy, or having control of impulses to get up, create noise, or tap on a thing, might profit from occupational therapies for SPD and speech and language therapy to acquire a comprehension of how their senses work.

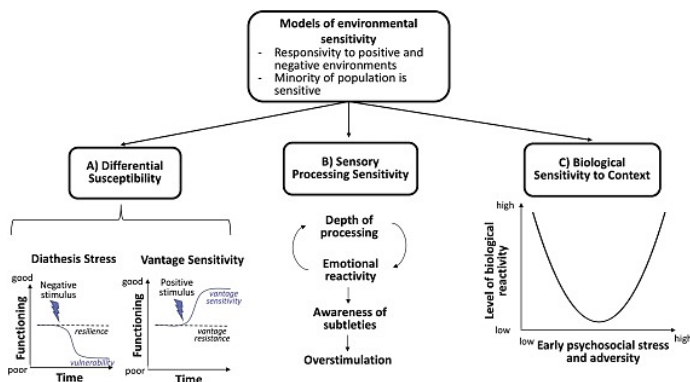


Figure 3: Sensory integration and processing

(Source: Iverson 2021, p.234)

Motor skills, equilibrium, and coordination of the eyes and hands are all areas where kids who have disorders of sensory processing might have trouble. People with difficulties with learning, developmental disabilities, disorders of language, and autism spectrum disorder are more inclined to suffer from SI, however, anyone is susceptible to this condition. As sensory integration problems and speech-language problems frequently occur together, addressing the latter condition can aid development in the first. Issues with sensory integration may result in an extensive variety of impacts on a person's academic, social, and behavioural performance.

Learning to communicate and interact professionally can be challenging for children who have difficulty absorbing knowledge from their sensory environment. Kids with sensory dysfunction or "sensory processing disorders (SPD)" are at risk for failure in their early attempts at communication, such as responding to a phone call, obeying commands, responding to the communicative partner, and several others, since they have proper processing and inner sensory input (Choo et al. 2019, p.119). As a result, they have trouble or are unable to comprehend spoken language and effectively communicate themselves vocally and nonverbally.

Due to their sensory processing disorders, both people have a hard time having seamless interactions, which makes it hard for them to make friends or develop meaningful relationships with others. Writing and reading are two skills that could prove difficult for individuals with SPD to perfect. Children with these challenges have difficulty interpreting data coming in through their ears and eyes, and as a consequence, they prefer not to engage in tasks that demand them to relax their eyes and focus (Dufour & Richard, 2019, p.1690265). Handwriting may be difficult for children with problems with motor planning, muscle tone, vestibular, and proprioceptive senses. The lips, language, and jaw are all involved in the development of speech, thus the need to perform exercises that activate and train these muscles. A few instances of these involve interacting with tactile toys or food, practising lip and tongue actions, or blowing bubbles. Developing kids' abilities for sensory perception is the main objective of tactile exercises. A tactile toy with various substances offering tactile cues during language workouts and incorporating sensory input into lessons in languages are excellent methods for doing this.

Theme 2: Attachment-based techniques to support children with developmental delay

Humans have an inherent, physiological need for connection with other people, and this concept is essential to "John Bowlby's attachment theory", which underlies ABFT (Ruggiano & Perry, 2019, p.90). Attachment theory argues that children are

more inclined to develop strong connections with their guardians if carers are receptive to their needs and present on an ongoing basis. Securely connected kids are more likely to have strong emotion regulation skills and feelings of self-worth and trust, all of which has an advantageous effect on the growth of the child. Attachment-based therapy provides a brief approach to therapy that emphasises the process of therapy. Trust is established between the patient and the therapist through the genuine expression of feelings. Treatments that take an attachment viewpoint examine how an infant's initial interactions with primary carers, usually parents, influence the kid's ability to grow up both physically and emotionally well.

Therapies for psychological disorders, such as depression and anxiety, may benefit from creating or repairing an emotionally stable connection. Researchers found that once children established a secure attachment as kids, they felt safeguarded, accepted, and able to discover everything around them. Infants that lack an appropriate environment to grow up in are more inclined to become stressed, confused, frightened, and even dissatisfied. Theoretically, if an individual is able to trust authority adults, including parents or therapists, they will be able to do so in other interactions (Chatfield, 2020, p.840). Patients may accomplish this by trying to discuss their early years in therapy. They could speak about their initial memories of a parent or carer, the structure of their family as they grew up, or important events that occurred as a child. It is possible that they may think about how their initial relationships impacted the ones they have now as adults. Connection, emotional, and behavioural abilities for the present may be addressed. They can additionally attempt to improve themselves with the assistance of their family. It is feasible to pair attachment-based therapy with different methods.

"Occupational therapists (OTs)" and "speech language pathologists (SLPs)" interact in an extensive range of situations. This is due to the reality that the mastery of speech and language requires input that comes from an extensive range of senses. Research indicates that acquiring the ability to control one's senses is essential to improve one's language abilities. This is the reason of a child's advancement in learning language and speech is contingent upon his or her viewpoint regarding education and participation at school, home, and speech therapy sessions (Greven et al. 2019, p.301). Problems with communication and cognitive problems frequently happen together. The parts of the body that produce the sounds that people use in speech depend significantly on contact.

The tongue, mouth, and roof of the oral cavity are a few instances of "articulators", a term relating to the numerous parts of the mouth that assist with speaking. A child may have trouble speaking if his perceptual system fails to function properly. His language could not be intelligible, as he or she might not be able to tell where his articulators are or how to arrange them to generate particular sounds. As with the sense of touch, the feeling of proprioception is essential to the development of language abilities. Proprioception represents a key sense for interacting with others (Schoen et al. 2019, p.11). The jaw, along with other articulators, helps generate this information as well. Information, particularly on power, setting, and stress. Children might have trouble listening to and understanding speech if their hearing fails to develop normally.

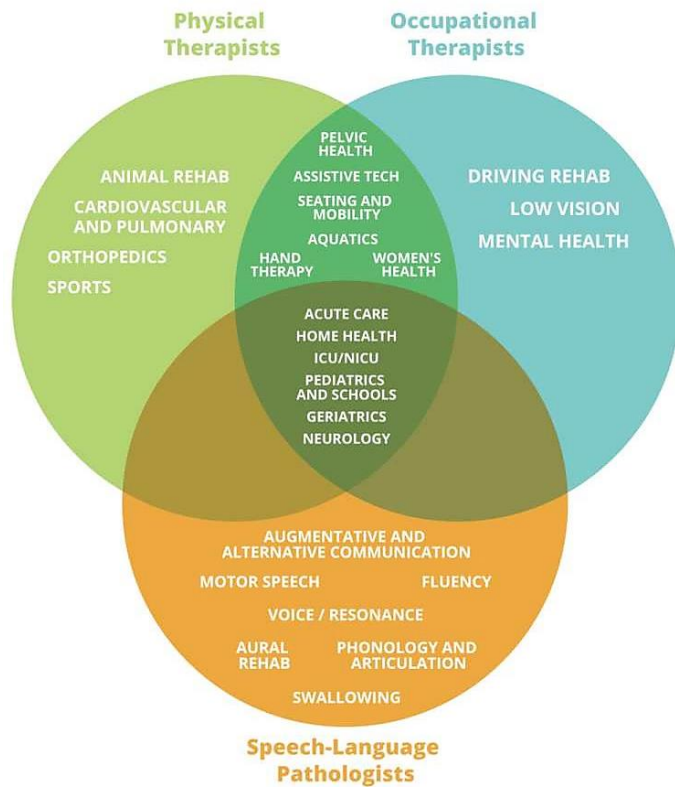


Figure 4: Occupational therapy, speech therapy and physical therapist
(Source: Greven et al. 2019, p.301)

Theme 3: Emotional regulation in ReAttach therapy

Researchers have suggested that children's language skills are useful tools for understanding and controlling their feelings. From an early age, children utilise words to create their environment. For instance, kids can use speech in autonomous managing debate, analyse relationships with others, and acquire healthy emotional management abilities. This theory is reinforced by research demonstrating a positive relationship between pre-schoolers' language abilities and their ability to turn their focus away from a challenging situation. Furthermore, even in boys with age-appropriate capacity in other fields, language disability is linked to issues with emotion under control (Duff, 2019, p.21). Although this correlation has not been established, it makes sense that kids who are more capable of controlling their feelings have an advantage when it comes to understanding and using the speech of other kids and adults.

Children's linguistic skills and their capacity to understand and articulate emotions are linked. Being able to recognise one's own feelings and other people's felt and expressed emotions, recognise which emotions are right in an instance, and comprehend the reasons behind and repercussions of emotions is essential to emotional intelligence. One's ability to focus upon indications from the surroundings that generate specific feelings is likely tied directly to one's ability for regulation.

In addition, researchers also argue that kids who are more capable of controlling their feelings will develop a greater awareness of emotional ideas. Kids who are over aroused are unable to acquire knowledge about the emotions of others, as they tend to concentrate on their own feelings and escape an unpleasant situation. On the other hand, understanding feelings could assist in controlling those (Holler & Levinson, 2019, p.650). Researchers have argued that helping kids develop the ability to recognise their feelings helps them bring previously

subconscious ideas and sensations to their awareness. Through associating experience directly with feelings, children improve their likelihood of creating successful ways to cope. Children who possess a mental understanding, which includes not just the capacity to identify what they are feeling but also a knowledge of the procedures by which those feelings develop and the impact that they have, are more able to regulate their feelings when they occur.

Theme 4: Training of social interaction in speech therapy

Training in interpersonal interaction provides a range of techniques to help individuals of any age to become more effective communicators. The concept of social interaction initiatives is that people who failed to develop these skills can be educated (Ellis, 2019, p.60). As someone attempts to establish relationships, they tend to make an effort to teach them the social skills they need to do so.

People with learning disabilities, especially those with particular autistic spectrum disorder and Down syndrome in young people and adults, are frequent volunteers in social communication programmes. Children with difficulties with language, especially pragmatic difficulties with language which impact social abilities to communicate, may benefit from the events.

Due to the communal nature of the approach, it is most successful when accompanied by parents, carers, educators, or home care workers along with a Speech and Language Therapist (Mohamed et al. 2022, p. 17446295221104614). Once the client has been subjected to and provided exercise with the abilities in a controlled environment, it is essential to assist the client expand the application of the abilities into everyday activities.

This approach is most successful when employed in a number of group therapy sessions, where patients can try out what they have learned from their fellow patients in an environment that more closely resembles everyday life. Individuals with intellectual disabilities may profit from a secure and controlled community where they can acquire the social interactions that have been lacking. They can be more inclined to seek out real interactions with others if their understanding of social situations grows and they acquire basic abilities.

Self-assurance might be increased and anxiety about social situations reduced by participation in a social communication programme. It may give people the courage to try things they have been unwilling to try before, and it may enhance their understanding of the issues they come across on a daily basis. The "Social Emotional Evaluation (SEE)" depends strongly on the capacity to recall movements of the face as well as recognise and make sense of typical emotions as well as responses to them, so it should be given to children with cognitive problems and slightly impaired viewpoint-taking talents (Mohamed et al. 2023, p.71). The "Clinical Assessment of Pragmatics (CAPs)" is an additional useful tool for evaluating students' comprehension of cultural standards, humour, sarcasm, and figurative speech, as well as their capacity to effectively comprehend and react appropriately to nonverbal signals.

DISCUSSION

It is predicted that sensory methods of integration could have profound impacts on cognitive performance. In a greater capacity of placing the mind at work, as well as in the capacity to create and carry out a strategic relationship with one's mental and physical environment. Each child exhibited growth in each of these groups, which may have all related to the higher rate of growth in comprehending language assessments. It has been proved in a study that all four

Children involved in that study have problems with behavioural organisation, which makes it hard for individuals to take the language comprehension test (Kubo et al. 2021, p.11). The kid has to sit still and pay attention, react to the examiner, and then link sounds with images. Even though occupational therapy cannot assume sole accountability for modifications in the child's development rate could have performed an essential part in their capacity to structure or conduct in overall. Hearing acquisition and the creation of speech are two of the areas where the vestibular system has been demonstrated to have a significant part in both neurological and clinical research, as well as in the contrast of the four children in that study. In the context of purposeful activity, all four children searched for and experienced substantial vestibular stimulation (Nathiya et al. 2023, p.271). The two children who had been demonstrated to have lower duration of prompted vestibular post rotary nystagmus additionally improved the most in terms of their ability to express themselves through speech. This research gives strong evidence for an association between the development of expressive language and the function of the vestibular system.

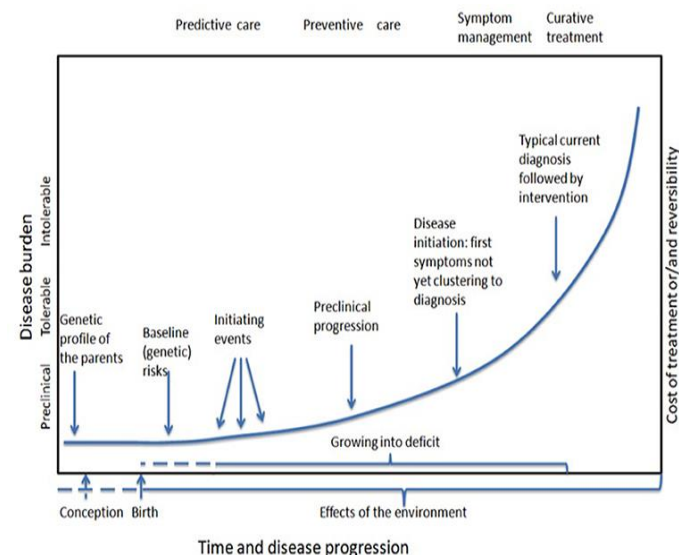


Figure 5: Communication developmental issues

(Source: Nathiya et al. 2023, p.271)

Based on these results, researchers hypothesise that auditory processing centres associated with the vestibular system are going to profit from vestibular sensory input and therapeutic reactions. It attempts to arrange the data being processed. Integrated sensory therapy can enhance vestibular system operation and any language or speech processes that rely on this system when conditions such as depressed post rotary nystagmus indicate problems in vestibular system function (Guha et al. 2022, p.566). The finding that occupational therapy has been linked to enhancements in expressive speech in certain instances but not others indicates that challenges in language development could indicate problems in neural systems that are less dependent on vestibular or additional somatosensory analysing processes.

The ability to recognise and assess possible causes of adverse feelings like worry, rage, sorrow, or anxiety is a vital component of emotional regulation. Children can benefit from promotion as they learn to manage their feelings, especially when they are more difficult to regulate or understand. Maintaining a state of psychological regulation, such as calm or happiness, makes it possible to regulate the reactions and handle life better. A kid's

capacity to control his or her feelings is improved by assistance in this field. Control of emotions is a key beneficial goal in social communication treatments. Teachers can teach children how to identify and name their feelings. Teachers and parents can be excellent role models by sharing their own emotions with the kids and teaching them how to deal with difficult emotions (Fong et al. 2021, p.30). In addition to recognising children's worries, parents may assist them in building up their mental strength to get started on and persist with challenging tasks. A child's achievement in school and socially depends on their capacity to regulate their feelings.

It is likely someone has difficulty communicating and expressing himself through language. Combining sensory input with language exercises can help in this case. Playing music to engage the ears and including movements of the hands for sensory stimulation can also be ways to do this. Movement and awareness of one's body are promoted through exercises that involve tapping the floor, moving things, and finding hidden items. During formal communication and language tasks, a sensory tool like a fidget toy can prove useful. Predictability can be beneficial for children with sensory demands. Plan out the amount of time devoted to communication and language with graphical calendars. Children enjoy visual plans as they make it simpler for them to understand what is coming next. As one wants to refresh the senses prior to or while focusing on language and speech, exercise must be considered a top priority (Lindgren et al. 2020, p.4449). Inclusion of workouts such as jumping, running, and pushing in the mental plan. Through using these techniques to assist children in regulating their sensory inputs, they may create an atmosphere that is favourable to their growth in language and speech.

CONCLUSION

In this study, researchers analyse how ReAttach therapy affects language growth in children with delays. ReAttach therapy is an integrated approach to addressing language challenges that combines sensory integration therapy, cognitive behavioural treatment, and social-emotional treatment in order to optimise neuroplasticity. Twenty percent of people have an elevated risk of acquiring communication impairments, making speech and language therapy (SLT) an effective method for addressing difficulties with language. The study gathers data through qualitative research that examines secondary sources. These results emphasise the importance of attachment-based methods for assisting children with developmental delays and the importance of the senses in language acquisition. The study additionally emphasises the need to teach kids how to regulate their feelings and communicate with people as a component of speech therapy to improve their language growth.

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