

Complications Related to Cleft Palate Speech Intervention; When to Refer to Other Specialists on the Cleft Team

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COMPLICATIONS/STRATEGIES AND CONDITIONS COVERED:

- Fistula
- Appearance does not dictate severity
- “Backing” ... Keys to remediation and prevention
- Sound shaping
- The importance of targeting VOWELS
- Obstruction
- PHONEME SPECIFIC NASAL EMISSION (PSNE)
- 22q/VPI

What to do if you're not seeing appropriate progress/"Not getting anywhere" = REFER

CLEFT TEAM PROVIDERS:

Speech Pathologist

Audiologist

ENT (Otolaryngology)

Surgeons (Plastics/Oral Maxillofacial)

Genetics

Orthodontist

Pediatrician

Occupational Therapist (infant feeding)

Social Work

Nurse Navigator

RESOURCES:

www.acpa-cpf.org

<https://acpa-cpf.org>

www.chop.edu/conditions-diseases/22q112-deletion-and-duplication-syndromes

<https://www.asha.org/practice-portal/clinical-topics/cleft-lip-and-palate/>

Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Conditions: A Comprehensive Guide to Clinical Management
by [Ann W. Kummer](#), PhD., CCC-SLP, ASHA-F (2018 Edition)