

To help professionals, families and individuals looking for information and support about cleft lip and palate and craniofacial conditions we have collated resources and links to the relevant professional organizations and parent associations from around the world. The views expressed in the resources are not necessarily the views of IALP.

Professional Organizations

Resources compiled by national speech-language pathology associations for speech-language pathologists about cleft lip and palate and cleft palate speech.

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) – US

-Practice Portal: provides information to facilitate SLPs' clinical decision making for children birth to school age with CLP; some information related to children with VPI

<https://www.asha.org/Practice-Portal/Clinical-Topics/Cleft-Lip-and-Palate/>

-Evidence Map: recommendations for SLPs for assessment and treatment of children with CLP or other craniofacial difference

<https://www.asha.org/EvidenceMapLanding.aspx?id=8589936384&recentarticles=false&year=undefined&tab=all>

-Publication for Special Interest Group 5, Craniofacial and Velopharyngeal Disorders, of ASHA

<https://perspectives.pubs.asha.org/sig5>

Royal College of Speech & Language Therapists (RCSLT) – UK <https://www.rcslt.org/>

- Cleft lip and palate Overview

<https://www.rcslt.org/speech-and-language-therapy/clinical-information/cleft-lip#section-1>

- Supporting people with cleft lip and palate and related disorders handout

https://www.rcslt.org/-/media/docs/RCSLT_Cleft_Palate_A4_FINAL.pdf

Other Organisations

Interdisciplinary professional organizations that bring together interested specialists around the world to advance care for individuals with cleft and craniofacial conditions. Webinars and resources available aimed at a professional audience.

World Cleft Coalition: provides minimum core standards for cleft care – primarily for health professionals

<https://www.worldcleftcoalition.org/program.html>

Circle of Cleft Professionals: cleft professionals working together to promote Comprehensive Cleft Care in 'resource-constrained contexts'

<https://transformingfaces.org/cocp>

Smile Train

<https://www.smiletrain.org/cleft-resources/patients-and-families>

Speech@Home: an evidence based online speech therapy resource for Speech and Language Therapists (SLT) and Parents to support the provision of therapy for children with speech disorders related to cleft palate, or similar sounding speech difficulties

<https://speechathome.org/>

Teaching and Learning Materials

Resources for SLPs interested in learning more about cleft palate speech, and resources for SLPs to share with their clients and families.

LEADERSproject: supports SLPs to provide assessment and intervention to children with cleft palate. Resources available in multiple languages for speech assessment, home practice, therapy, parent handouts and SLP training/education

<https://www.leadersproject.org/english-cleft-palate-directory/>

Cleft palate International Speech Issues (CLISPI) – Scandinavia: provides resources for SLPs working in cleft teams, and interested in learning about cleft speech disorders

<https://clispi.com/clispi.php?id=265&mid=265>

International Consortium for Health Outcome Measurement (ICHOM): provides a standard set of measurements for use with patients with cleft lip and palate, developed by leaders in the field

<https://www.ichom.org/portfolio/cleft-lip-palate/>

Oxford Craniofacial Unit – UK: Sing and Say is an initiative of the Oxford Craniofacial Unit Speech and Language Therapy Team with information and resources for families and SLPs

<https://www.ouh.nhs.uk/singandsay/default.aspx>

Smile Train: provides resources for cleft team members including videos on cleft palate speech sounds and effective therapy techniques

<https://www.smiletrain.org/cleft-resources/best-practice-resources>

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American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) – US: provides speech samples of normal and hypernasal speech

<https://acpa-cpf.org/speech-samples/>