

KidsAbility **Enhanced Support Services (ESS)** therapists consult in the areas of Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, and Speech & Language Therapy. ESS therapists work in partnership with educators and programme staff, as well as Mental Health Consultants, and Resource Consultants to provide supportive information, strategies, ideas, and resources.

What we do:

- **General Consultation** - provide classroom-wide strategies to support all children in areas of accessing physical environment, play skills, and communication to ensure inclusion, and participation for all. This includes professional development opportunities for a variety of requested topics, such as sensory processing and picky eating. To request send email to: enhancedsupportservicesgw@kidsability.ca
- **Child Specific Support** - therapists will offer time-sensitive, child specific observations to gather information related to an identified functional need/goal and provide specific targeted strategies for programme staff to support the child's needs.
- **Direct Liaison Support** - therapists will offer child specific support to program staff for a child currently receiving therapy services in the specified discipline through KidsAbility's Early Years program.

To request for Child Specific Support or Direct Liaison Support: [Enhanced Support Services KidsAbility Request for In-Programme Support](#). **Please note:** A General Consultation does *not* need to occur before submitting a Child-Specific or Direct Liaison Request.

Who We Serve:

We provide consultation to licensed child care programs, authorized recreation programmes and EarlyON Centres for children birth to age 12 in Wellington County.

Areas of focus include:

- ❖ Sensory processing concerns
- ❖ Feeding concerns
- ❖ Self-care concerns
- ❖ Communication difficulties
- ❖ Play and social concerns
- ❖ Accessing the physical environment
- ❖ Gross motor & fine motor challenges
- ❖ Equipment needs & modifications

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