



**ITEM NUMBER - 82020 - TREATMENT - SPEECH PATHOLOGY
(July 2008, DoHA)**

Speech pathology health service provided to a child, aged under 15 years, for treatment of a pervasive developmental disorder (PDD) by an eligible speech pathologist where:

- (a) the child has been diagnosed with PDD; and
- (b) the child has received a PDD treatment plan (while aged under 13 years) as prepared by an eligible practitioner; and
- (c) the child has been referred by an eligible practitioner for the provision of services that are consistent with the PDD treatment plan; and
- (d) the eligible practitioner is a consultant physician in the practice of his or her field of psychiatry or paediatrics; and
- (e) the speech pathologist attending the child is registered with Medicare Australia as meeting the credentialing requirements for provision of these services; and
- (f) the child is not an admitted patient of a hospital; and
- (g) the service is provided to the child individually and in person; and
- (h) the service lasts at least 30 minutes in duration.

These items are limited to a maximum of 20 services per patient, consisting of any combination of items

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Benefit: 85% = \$67.50