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SPEECH PATHOLOGY WEEK 2009

WHO:	Speech Pathology Australia, the national peak body for the speech pathology profession.
WHAT:	<p>Speech Pathology Week 2009 celebrates the profession and its members' work with people of all ages who have communication difficulties.</p> <p>This year's theme is: 'Communicate to Participate' which will highlight how communication difficulties can impact on day-to-day life and activities.</p>
WHEN:	23 - 29 AUGUST 2009
WHERE:	Nationwide.
INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speech Pathology Australia's president, Dr Cori Williams, is available to discuss the impact communication difficulties can have on a person's ability to participate in day-to-day activities, and connect with others. She can also discuss how speech pathologists assist people throughout their entire lifetime to help improve quality of life, health and wellbeing.

Speech Pathology Australia will launch its annual Speech Pathology Week from 23-29 August 2009, this year themed: '*Communicate to participate.*'

Speech Pathology Week 2009 will focus on the types, causes and impacts of communication difficulties. The theme will highlight how communication is essential for connecting with others and participating in discussions, decisions, social events and work activities. It allows us to express our thoughts and feelings, build friendships and gain employment.

For more information on Speech Pathology Week visit: www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au

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About Speech Pathology Australia

Speech Pathology Australia is the national peak body for more than 4,500 members. The Association supports and regulates the ethical, clinical and professional standards of its members. The Association also lobbies and advocates for people with communication and swallowing difficulties.

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