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Development Support & Learning Support (DS-LS)



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What is DS-LS?

It is an ECDA-funded Programme that supports K1 and K2 children who require low levels of Early Intervention (EI) support by providing targeted short-term support in their preschool environments.

We collaborate with early childhood educators through discussions on the children's learning, sharing of strategies and materials to support the children through various classroom activities and routines.

Beyond the classroom, we extend collaboration to parents and caregivers, offering practical tips and strategies for the children to reinforce new skills at home.

Duration of Support

Developmental Support:
10 Therapy Sessions + 5 In-Class Support (ICS)

Learning Support:
6 Fine Motor
8 Literacy / Social Skills
10 Language Sessions

**1 session per week
45 minutes**

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Support Packages Offered

Development Support (DS)

Educational Therapy

Literacy with co-occurring difficulties such as Attention, Retention

Speech and Language Therapy

Language delay, speech sounds / communication difficulties

Occupational Therapy

Coordination, visual perception, delayed motor skills

Psychological Services

Intrapersonal & Interpersonal Skills, Deeper emotional & behavioural difficulties

Learning Support (LS)

Language Development

*Mild language delay
eg. Vocabulary, basic concept,*

Literacy

*Mild literacy delay
eg. Letter names and sounds,*

Social Skills

Problem solving skills, group behaviours, managing feelings and behaviours

Fine Motor (Handwriting)

Fine motor skills specifically handwriting difficulties

Eligibility

1. Singapore Citizens or PRs
2. Enrolled in preschools (K1 and K2 levels) at point of intervention
3. Not concurrently enrolled in other Government-funded Programmes such as DS-Plus and InSP
4. Requires low level of support

Fees

Out-of-pocket fees range from \$5 to \$290 (DS) and \$5 to \$130 (LS) monthly for Citizens depending on per capita household income, as assessed through Means Testing.

*Prices excluding GST

Referral Process



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Our Learning Support Educators (LSEs) will reach out to the Preschools 2 times a year for teachers to flag the children whom they think require support.

If your Preschool does not offer DS-LS Programme, please write in to us.

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Parents to submit consent forms. Teachers to submit flagging documents.

LSEs to conduct observations and screening to determine children's needs.

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Discussions to be conducted with a panel of Pediatricians and Therapists.

Case Managers to update Parents and Preschools of outcome.

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For DS cases, parents to bring child for Doctor's Review at KKH or NUH to assess child's suitability for the selected DS package.

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Commencement of sessions - typically around 6-9 months from the start of the screening process.

Therapists/LSEs to meet parents virtually to discuss child's learning goals.

Wrap up of sessions.

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Therapists/LSEs to meet parents virtually to discuss child's outcomes. Preschool teachers may join if schedule permit.



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. As a parent, how do I enroll my child?

- We require your child's Preschool to be 'DS-LS Ready'. Please email or give us a call and provide us with the name and address of your child's Preschool and the class your child is in. We will then arrange for a virtual briefing with the Preschool.

2. As a Preschool staff, how do we enroll our children?

- Please email or give us a call to arrange for a virtual briefing.

3. Can I enroll my child who is from EIPIC/DS-Plus/PPIP?

- No, each child is only eligible for one government-funded Programme. Do check in with your current Service Provider on potential transition to DS-LS Programme.



More questions?

Reach out to us at

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