

Variety Motor Mouth Teen Day Guidelines & Eligibility document Teen (AAC user)

The Variety Motor Mouth Teen Day (MMTD) is an extension of the Motor Mouth Camp which was founded in 2011. The MMTD is a fantastic opportunity for teens using AAC to get to know others peers, share experiences and make new friends whilst improving their system use and become more competent communicators in the community.

Objectives

- Increase confidence and capacity of the AAC user to use their device within the community
- To practice communicating with new and unfamiliar people
- Foster an environment to build friendships and an expanded social network
- Raise community awareness of AAC

Eligibility

- Applicants must reside in WA
- Applicant must be using an AAC device (eg. Tobii Dynavox, Accent, Nova Chat or the like)
- Applicants must be aged between 13-18 years of age
- Applicants must have one adult family member or carer who is able to attend the day
- Applicant and support person must be motivated to be involved and improve their AAC use
- Applicant must be able to work in small groups in busy sensory environment in the community

Examples of camp program / schedule

- AM group based communication therapy activities (for AAC user)
- Lunch (incorporating AAC use)
- PM fun / recreational community based activity (incorporating AAC use)
- Upskilling opportunities for parent or carer who attend

How to apply to attend MMC:

- 1. Complete the online application form available on the website
- 2. Participation will be confirmed by 14th April



Additional information:

- Successive places are not guaranteed for previous attendees
- There are limited spaces (20 max) available for the day
- If your application is successful and you can no longer attend, please notify the Program Coordinator as soon as possible so the space can be re-allocated.
- A survey may be requested to be completed at the end of camp for feedback and measuring impact
- There is no cost to the family to attend.

KEY DATES FOR 2022

| 28 th Feb – 29 th March 2022 | Application open |
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| Early April 2022 | Applications are reviewed |
| 14 th April 2022 | Outcome letters are sent to applicants/families (via email) |
| May 2022 | Saturday 7 th May – Teen day |

If you require further information, please don't hesitate to contact the Kids Support team at: <u>mmc@varietywa.org.au</u> or 9355 3655.