

# 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 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

- Applicant must reside in WA
- Applicant must be using an AAC device (eg. Tobii Dynavox, Accent, Nova Chat or the like)
- Applicant must be aged between 13-18 years of age
- Applicant 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 a busy sensory environment in the community

#### **Examples of MMTD 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 attends

#### How to apply to attend MMTD:

- 1. Complete the online application form available on the website
- 2. Participation will be confirmed by 14<sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> Feb – 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Applications open
Early April 2022	Applications are reviewed
14 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Outcome letters are sent to applicants/families (via email)
May 2022	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> 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.