Further information regarding the Clinic, its policies, services available and the partnership with the Scottish Rite Foundation may be obtained by contacting:

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Faculty and students at the FSU Speech and Hearing Center offer prevention services to young children and families in the Tallahassee Community. Prevention services focus on identification of communication skills in children ages birth through age six and sharing resources to families to promote language and literacy development. Screening and enrichment activities are offered in child care, preschools, family homes and in collaboration with other FSU and community agencies.

Prevention services includes:

1) Communication Identification:

We will share information about your child’s abilities to understand speech and language, to gesture and use words to make wants and needs known, to make the different speech sounds, to attend and take turns in conversations, and to play with objects and materials to learn. The communication screening will include:

- Play based observations and interactions
- Conversations with family members
- Questionnaires and checklists about development
- Hearing screening, if appropriate

2) Sharing Resources:

After meeting with you and your child, we will share information about your child’s strengths and what you can do to help your child grow and be an effective communicator. Ideas that you can incorporate into play and caregiving interactions with your child will be shared. Demonstrations of strategies that increase your child’s communication skills are also available.

Participation is easy! Just complete the referral and permission form for FSU Speech and Hearing Clinic. When you sign the permission form, we will contact you and set up a time to meet. We will join you at your next visitation, play and share ideas. We may join you more than once if you like. We will provide you with a written summary of our information.

There is no cost. All services are confidential. No information will be shared with any agency without your permission. Our only purpose is to help you learn more about your child’s communication and learning. If you are interested in additional services for your child’s communication, we can help you locate community services.

The FSU Communication Disorders Department sponsors the L. L. Schendel Speech and Hearing Clinic to provide supervised clinical education for speech-language pathology students and services to children in the region with communication disorders. Through the support of the Scottish Rite Foundation, services to enhance communicative interactions of children with delays or disorders of communication are available to families with identified needs.