We want to understand how children with little or no speech understand sounds and words. Your child is being invited to take part in this study because he or she has:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and is minimally-verbal/nonverbal or
- Developmental/Intellectual Disability (DD/ID).

We are looking for children between the ages of 8 and 12 years.

You will be asked to make two visits to the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. The first visit will involve tests measuring your child’s language and problem-solving skills. During the second visit, your child will have a magnetoencephalography (MEG) brain scan. For the scan, your child will listen to tones or words while sitting in a chair with a helmet (like a hair dryer) while brain activity is recorded.

What we learn from this study may help other people who have little or no speech. We will pay you for your time and free parking will be provided. You will also receive a short report summarizing your child’s language and problem-solving skills. Your child will also receive a small gift.

I want to help! Who do I call?
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