



Portage Service



Portage is a home based teaching service offering help and support to parents of pre-school children between the ages of 18 months and 3½ years old with developmental delay.

The service helps parents to work on increasing their child's skills, in their own home, supported by a weekly or fortnightly visit from a Portage Home Visitor.

The child can be referred by their parents or any agency.

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Why is it successful?

The Portage approach helps parents to see their child in a positive way. It provides parents with the ideas on what and how to teach their child.

Portage parents find that their child can learn new skills and the family can take pleasure and pride in their child's success.

Central to the Portage ethos is the emphasis placed on the partnership between the parents the professional workers in the development of their child.

The service is **confidential**.



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How does Portage work?

- The family receives a weekly or fortnightly visit from a Portage Home Visitor.
- The Home Visitor agrees with the parents which new skill the parent would like their child to learn and this is recorded on an Activity Sheet. The Home Visitor shows the parents how to teach the child the new skill.
- Throughout the week, the parent spends a few minutes teaching their child the new skill; then the parent records the outcome on the Activity Chart.
- During the next visit, the Home Visitor observes whether the child can perform the skill.
- A new skill is then discussed and set between the parent and the Home Visitor for the following week.

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