

## **Get the Facts on Speech & Hearing!**

### **Did You Know?**

- One in ten Canadians has a speech, language or hearing problem. This affects tens of thousands of individuals.
- Hearing loss is the third most prevalent chronic disability among older adults.
- Adult hearing loss can start as early as the third or fourth decade of life.
- Children with behavioural disorders are ten times more likely to actually have undetected language disorders.
- Communication disorders in school aged children are often misdiagnosed as learning disabilities.
- An estimated 4% of pre-schoolers have a significant speech or language disorder.
- 1% of Canadians and 4% of pre-schoolers stutter.

One in ten Canadians has a speech, language, or hearing disorder. If you suspect a problem, contact a professional. Check the yellow pages or visit our Web site [www.caslpa.ca](http://www.caslpa.ca) to find a speech-language pathologist or audiologist near you.

*May is Speech & Hearing Month!*

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