

## **The Speech and Language Therapist / Pathologist's Role in Supported Decision-Making for People with Aphasia: an International Survey**

Dear Colleague,

My name is Mark Jayes. I am a researcher at Manchester Metropolitan University in the UK. With collaborators from nine other countries, I am conducting a research project to investigate **speech and language therapists' / pathologists' practice in relation to providing decision-making support to people with aphasia**. The project is seeking participants from across the world who are practising speech and language therapists with experience of working with people with aphasia. Participants will be asked to complete an **electronic survey** about their practice in this area. The project is being organised by Manchester Metropolitan University. It has been granted full ethical approval by the university's Faculty of Health and Education Research Ethics Committee (EthOS number: 64602).

We wonder if you would be able to support us by sharing the **attached project advertisement** with members of your organisation, who may wish to take part in this project? This advertisement provides summary information about the project and an electronic link to more detailed information; this information explains what participation will involve and will help people to make an informed decision about taking part.

The information and the survey are written in **English** but **translated versions** are available in **Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Danish, French, German, Greek, Portuguese, and Spanish**. We request that participants respond to the survey in whichever of these languages they are able to use. We recognise that some concepts and terms within the survey may not be familiar to all participants. We kindly request that participants provide responses that best reflect their professional experience in the context in which they work. We want to emphasise that participation is **entirely voluntary** and participants may withdraw at any time, without this affecting their work roles.

Many thanks for considering this request. For more information, please contact me via email: [m.jayes@mmu.ac.uk](mailto:m.jayes@mmu.ac.uk) or by telephone: (00 44) 161 247 2885.

Best wishes

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# Research participation opportunity: Supporting people with aphasia to make decisions



Are you a practising **speech and language therapist / pathologist**?

Have you worked with **people with aphasia** in the last year?

Would you like to take part in an **international research project** investigating how we support people with aphasia to make decisions?

We are looking for people like you to complete an **online survey** which should take up to 30 minutes.

Please click <https://bit.ly/3Wax2AP> or use the **QR code** to:

- read the **participant information sheet**
- access the **survey** (translated into several languages)
- If you have any questions about this research, please email the lead researcher: **Dr Mark Jayes** (Manchester Metropolitan University, UK) at [m.jayes@mmu.ac.uk](mailto:m.jayes@mmu.ac.uk)

