

The Born Talking seminar series (<http://borntalking.org/>) is a series of events that focus on using birth cohort data* to address questions about typical and atypical speech, language and communication. The next event will take place on **Monday 23rd May, 1:30-4:30pm**, at **Woburn House Conference Centre, London** (<http://www.woburnhouse.co.uk/>).

In this session, the issues we want to focus on are

- What are currently the most important questions about speech, language and communication? We are interested in the views of all stakeholders, including service user groups, practitioners and policymakers as well as researchers.
- How can current birth cohort data help us to address these questions?
- Can we influence data collection in birth cohort studies, to help us to address such questions in the future?

Our speakers will be

- Theresa Redmond, Professional Advisor, The Communication Trust
<http://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/>
- Professor Alison Park, Director, CLOSER <http://www.closer.ac.uk/> , University College London Institute of Education

We would be delighted if you would come and join in the discussion. For practitioners, PhD students and early career researchers we can offer travel bursaries of up to £75 each. If you would like to attend, please contact Dr Jan McAllister j.mcallister@uea.ac.uk to book a place. Please forward to others who might be interested in attending.

** A birth cohort study involves collecting data from a (typically large, community-sampled) group of people around the time of their birth and regularly through their lives. There are many such birth cohort datasets in Britain; see <http://cls.ioe.ac.uk/> for several examples.*