

# CFS for Early Years Settings

An overview of the process

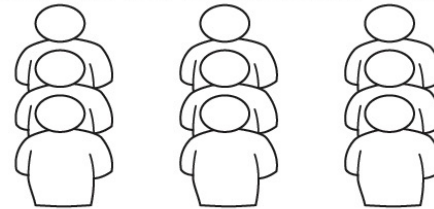
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# CFSe Early Years model

## 1. Speech and Language Support for 0-3s or 3-5s

1:10 practitioners complete either 'Speech and Language Support for 0-3s' or 3-5s at level 3, in preparation to being Lead Communication Practitioners (LCP)



Others on the course. Usually 10-16 learners

## 2. Communication Counts 5 x one hour sessions



Each LCP completes a Level 4 Learning Log

All staff receive training and support from the LCPs

## 3. Audit and accreditation

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# What does CFSe status mean for my setting?

- Your setting will:
  - retain a highly trained lead Communication Practitioner who can continue to support staff and re-deliver the Communication Counts training to new staff and to refresh others
  - Achieve Elklan and OCN London accredited Communication Friendly status

# What does CFSe status mean for me?

- You will:
  - Achieve an OCN London Level 4 qualification
  - Receive all the support and materials you need to deliver a 5 session course called Communication Counts
  - Become a highly trained Lead Communication Practitioner who can continue to support staff and re-deliver the Communication Counts training to new staff and to refresh others

# Structure of the programme

- 1:10 staff in the setting need to have completed Speech and Language Support for 0-3s or 3-5s. One needs to be a senior member of staff. S/he becomes the Lead Communication Practitioner (LCP)
- The LCP will complete a level 4 qualification. This does not involve attending another course but is primarily achieved by cascading a 5 x 1 hour course called Communication Counts to all staff. This enables embedding of CFSe principles throughout the setting.
- L4 learners are mentored by an Elklan tutor throughout the delivery of Communication Counts.

# Support for Level 4 learners

- This is provided through three webinars.
- In the webinars the tutor will talk through the level 4 Learning Log requirements and how to use the Eiklan website
- The tutor will discuss the content of the sessions to be delivered in the setting
- The LCP's will feedback to the group concerning the implementation of the learning in the setting
- Dates will be set for subsequent seminars
- In the final seminar audit visit arrangements will be made.



# Communication Counts

## Course content

5 x 1 hour sessions:

- **What is Communication?**
- Modifying the environment to make it communication friendly & adult child interaction
- **The Language Journey**
- **The Word Journey**
- **Working with families and linking it all together.**



## **To complete the CFSe training programme you need.....**

- CFS manual – this contains all the notes and DVD clips needed to deliver the Communication Counts sessions
- These are provided free of charge through Ipswich OA.



## Renewals

- CFSe is valid for three years
- If settings have retained their L3 staff and their LCPs then the following applies:
  - Redeliver the Communication Counts course over a 3 year period
  - Ask all staff to complete a questionnaire
  - Describe another wow moment
  - Pass the audit
- Your accreditation will then be valid for a further three years!

# Renewals

- CFSe is valid for 3 years
- Our renewals policy is available on the Elklan website
- This is light touch but robust
- Elklan can provide a tutor to take settings through the process.

## Any questions?

Please email Katie, [katie@elklan.co.uk](mailto:katie@elklan.co.uk)

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