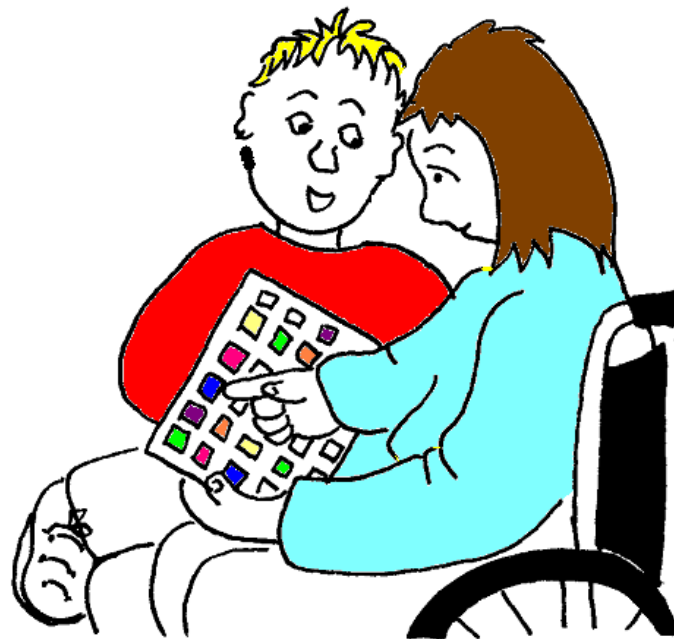


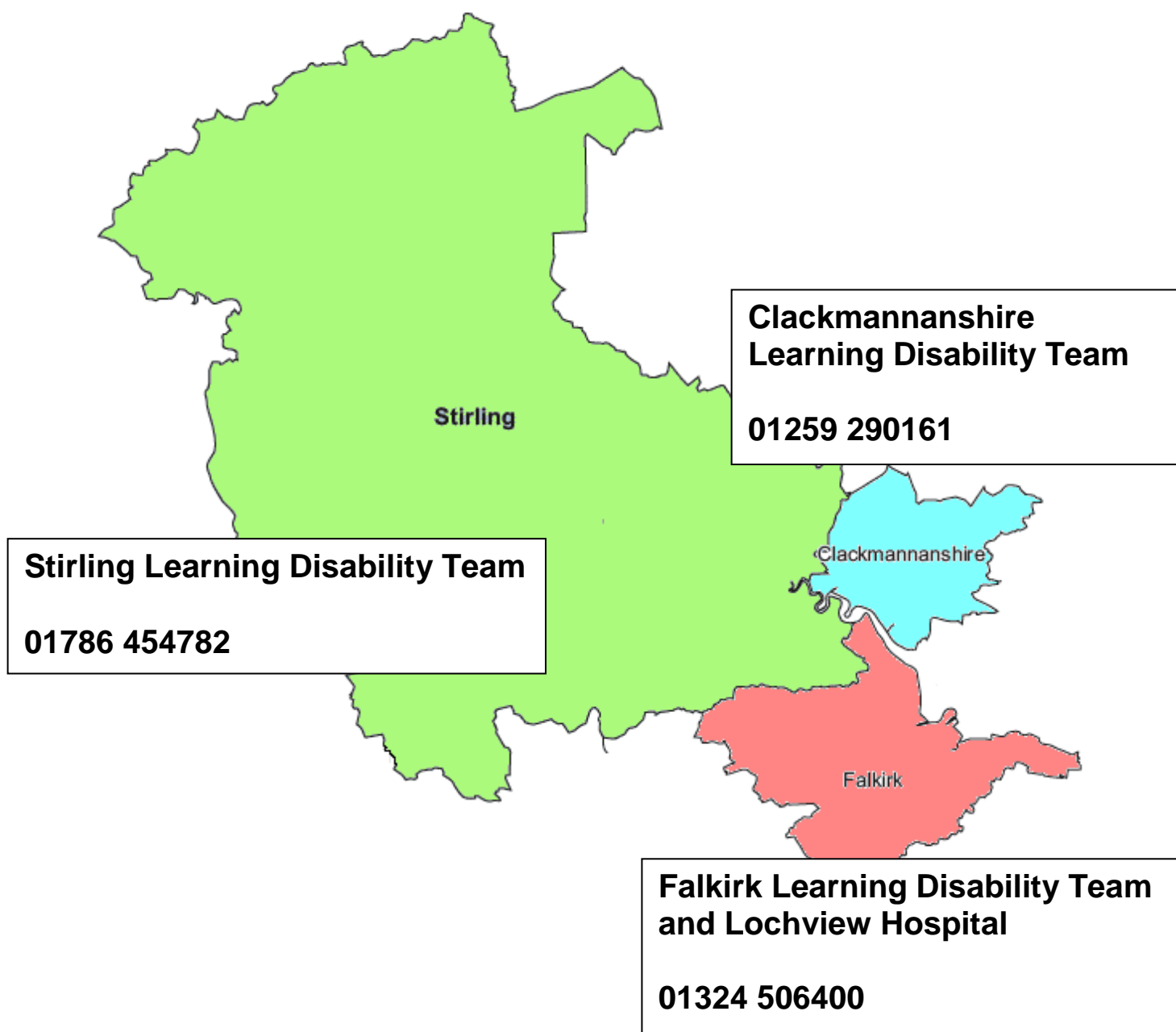
# Speech and Language Therapy

Adult Learning Disability



## Where we are

There are 3 learning disability teams in NHS Forth valley.



## Who we support



We support adults who have a diagnosis of a learning disability. An adult can be someone who is over 16 and has left school, but we often get to know someone before they leave school. The person should be living in the Forth Valley area.

## What we aim to do



We work in Learning Disability Teams. Health and social care staff work in these teams.

Our aims link to the National Health and Wellbeing outcomes:



Adults with a learning disability are able to communicate to their potential.



Adults with a learning disability can eat and drink as safely and enjoyably as possible.

## How do we make these aims happen?



- Training for different groups of people
- Eating and drinking assessment and plans
- Targeted communication interventions, for example
  - Communication assessment and advice
  - Transition support
  - Support to capacity decisions
  - Support for alternative forms of communication

## How long does speech and language therapy last



We know that a person with a learning disability may always have a communication or eating and drinking support need. It might take a short or long time to achieve our aims.

When the aim has been achieved we will usually discharge that person from Speech and Language Therapy. People with a learning disability often come back to Speech and Language Therapy at different times in their lives.

## How to make a referral or find out more information

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You can speak to someone from this team by calling one of the phone numbers on the area map or by calling one of the learning disability teams. Anyone can make a referral to Speech and Language Therapy.

If you would like this information in another language or format such as large print or Braille, please use the contact details below.

Tel: 01324 590870, Mon - Fri 8am to 5pm

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