

## Resources and publications references

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This document supports the MND webinar – Maximising communication: thinking outside the tick with a range of publications, resources and links to material.

#### Speech and Language

- MND Communication, speech and Language guide  
<https://www.mndassociation.org/sites/default/files/2022-11/Communication%2C%20speech%20and%20language%20support.pdf>
- MND Infographic – Speech and communication  
<https://www.mndassociation.org/sites/default/files/2022-11/Infographic%20Speech.pdf>

**Augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) for MND** - this information is primarily for non-AAC specialists working to support the communication needs of people with MND

- <https://www.mndassociation.org/professionals/management-of-mnd/aac-for-mnd>
- MND AAC Pathway  
<https://www.mndassociation.org/sites/default/files/2022-11/AAC%20pathway.pdf>

**Cognitive change and frontotemporal dementia (FTD)** – some people with MND will experience changes in thinking, reasoning and behaviour. A small number of people will develop frontotemporal dementia and need additional support

- <https://www.mndassociation.org/professionals/management-of-mnd/cognitive-change-and-frontotemporal-dementia-and-mnd>
- Cognitive change, FTD and MND guide <https://www.mndassociation.org/sites/default/files/2022-11/Cognitive%20change%20and%20FTD.pdf>

**Dysarthria** – many people with MND experience weakness in the bulbar region, affecting muscles of the mouth, throat and tongue. This can lead to problems with speech and voice, which will affect ability to communicate

- <https://www.mndassociation.org/professionals/management-of-mnd/dysarthria>

AceCentre – providing Assistive Technology and Augmentative and Alternative Communication services for people with complex needs <https://acecentre.org.uk>

- Resources - <https://acecentre.org.uk/resources>

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#### Annual Stephen Hawking MND Lecture 2023

- Professor Steven Bloch - Communication in MND: How can we have better conversations?  
<https://www.mndassociation.org/professionals/professional-education-and-development/shfl>