



Global Developmental Delay (GDD)

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My Worcester Journey



- ☐ Coaching and Work-experience

First Year Experiences:

- ☐ Once a Month Deaf Club/ Multi-Sports Club
- ☐ Courses
- ☐ School trip with a primary school

Second Year Experiences:

- ☐ Teaching Special Education Needs and Disability PE in Schools
Module

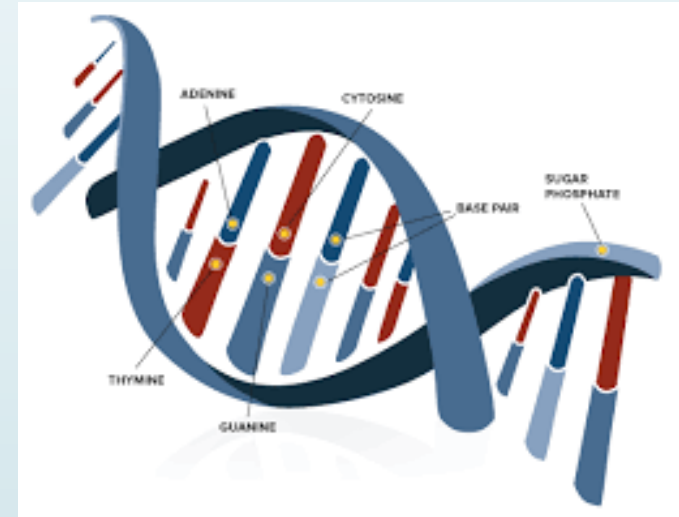
Medical Symptoms

- ❑ Developmental milestones- sitting, rolling, crawling and talking.
- ❑ A child with (GDD) may not reach one or several of these developmental milestones.
- ❑ To be labelled as (GDD) children miss developmental stages within one or more of the developmental domains:
 - Motor skills
 - Speech and language
 - Cognitive skills
 - Social and emotional skills
- ❑ Some children with (GDD) will continue to develop, some may even reach the correct developmental stage as their age counterparts.

Biological causes

- ☐ Genetic and DNA structures
- ☐ Development of the brain and spinal cord
- ☐ Prematurity
- ☐ Childhood infection (e.g. meningitis)
- ☐ Foetal alcohol syndrome

However, causes can sometimes be unidentified.



Assessment and support

- ❑ All children are assessed regularly during development.
- ❑ As each (GDD) case is unique, children would demonstrate developmental difficulties in different domains. Therefore, children are assessed by a paediatric GP to see what they can and cannot do, some children may be referred for specialist assessments.
- ❑ Children diagnosed may require additional support to allow them to catch up with their age related peers, including: psychologist, speech and language therapists or occupational therapists.

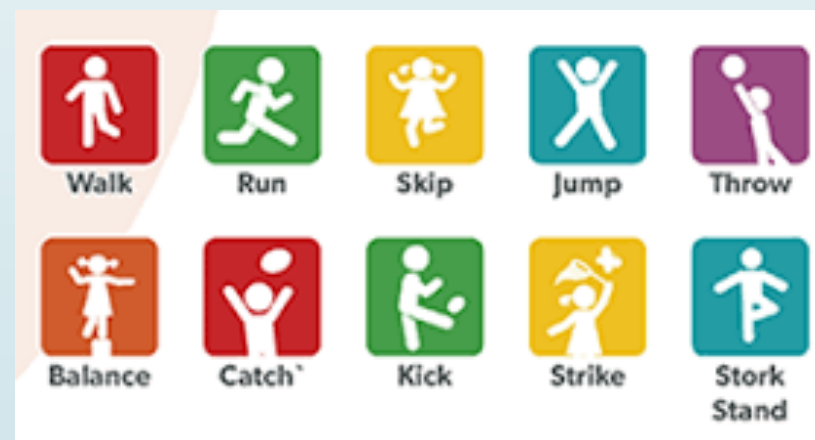
My experiences and placement

Last year:

- ☐ School trip

Placement:

- ☐ Fundamental Movement Skills – running, hopping
- ☐ Motor control – throw and catch
- ☐ Social interactions – friendships
- ☐ Swimming – confidence, control of limbs to swim
- ☐ Fine motor control – handwriting
- ☐ Learning – English and maths





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