



# Has your child started talking?



Researchers at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland, are conducting a research study on toddlers with language delays. This study will help researchers learn about risk factors for autism by studying behaviors and brain functioning of toddlers with early communication delays.

### Your child may be eligible if:

- He or she is 10-14 months old with limited vocalizations
- He or she is 16-20 months old with limited use of spoken words
- English is the only language spoken at home



### Your child may not be eligible if:

- He or she was born prematurely, before 36 weeks gestation
- He or she has known reasons for language delays

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### Study Facts:

- Three to four outpatient visits and two overnight stays at the NIH Clinical Center
- Behavioral and language assessments
- Follow-up visits every 6-12 months until the child is 3 years old
- There is no cost to participate
- Compensation is provided

### Location:

- The NIH Clinical Center, America's research hospital, is located on the Metro red line (Medical Center stop) in Bethesda, Maryland.

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