As paediatric community physiotherapists, we see children from birth to 19 years. Children are referred for a wide variety of reasons; delay in physical development; neurological problems; some musculoskeletal issues etc.

We work within a partnership – including parents, doctors, other therapists, education staff and with the voluntary sector. We aim to improve the child’s function so that, whatever their disability, they are able to reach their potential.

Who do we see
- Children with a movement (motor) disorder or delay
- From 0-19

What do we do
- Assessment
- Individual treatment
- Group treatment
- Hydrotherapy
- Review

Where do we do it
- At home
- At nursery/children’s centre
- At school
- At special School

Improving function for everyday life

Child / young person who needs physiotherapy

Pre-school
- Multi-professional assessment for children with complex needs
- Groups
  - School For Parents
  - St Pauls ‘Therapy through Play’ group
  - Therapy group at Withywood

School age
- Individual treatment
- Liaising, advice to education staff
- Hydrotherapy

Special school
- Joint goal setting with parents/other professionals involved with the child

Equipment for
- Sleeping
- Sitting
- Standing
- Playing
- Mobility

Partnership working with
- Parents
- Other medical professionals
- Barnardo’s and other charities
- CYPS – social services education
- Sensory support service
- Wheelchair services