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Vietnam Speech Pathology in 2016

It's been a big year, we've had 12 volunteers travel to Vietnam, started the paediatric speech pathology course with the University of Pham Ngoc Thach (UPNT), Ho Chi Minh and are working with them to build a new clinic facility.

The professional development program has gone from strength to strength, with therapists presenting papers and posters at international conferences.

We'd like to thank everyone who has volunteered, donated and otherwise supported us to continue to develop speech pathology services for the people of Vietnam. Read on for some of the highlights from 2016.

Season's Greetings to all our friends and supporters, we look forward to sharing another big year in 2017.



Watch the video - [Speech Pathology in Vietnam](#) - by University of Newcastle student Chloe Jitts

Final year students from the Bachelor of Speech Pathology (hons) program at the University of Newcastle, Australia have been working on various projects in collaboration with TFA, Vietnamese speech therapists and other not-for profit organisations in Vietnam supporting people with communication disabilities.

As part of this we thank Chloe Jitts for her fabulous collection of photos and stories as well as the wonderful video that helps tell TFA's story of the development and need for speech therapy in Vietnam.

Also big thanks to Lucy Deaves, Tabitha McPhee and Gemma Myers for the development of fact sheets, to [download in English and Vietnamese](#), providing information on Voice Disorders, Stuttering, Traumatic Brain Injury, Down Syndrome, Augmentative and Alternative Communication and Communication Impairment.

Please [feel free to download](#), use and share these and [email us at TFA with your stories](#) of how they have been used.

We also send our thanks out to the University of Newcastle for their ongoing support and collaboration.

Remember for more stories, updates and news about Speech Therapy in Vietnam keep an eye on our website, Facebook, Instagram or Twitter feed. And follow the hashtag #SPinVietnam.



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Paediatric Speech Therapy Course is up and running



Beginning in September at the University of Medicine Pham Ngoc Thach (UPNT), 30 students from across Vietnam have successfully completed Term 1 and are now undertaking their first clinical placements.

The aim of this 10 month course is to train more speech therapists to work with children in Vietnam and support current Vietnamese speech therapists to both lecture and supervise students.

The course will equip Vietnamese speech therapists to run future courses without the direct input of volunteers from Australia.

[Read more about the students progress & volunteers involved](#) >



Students observing via Skype a live treatment session conducted by a student working with speech therapist Ns Nhu on language facilitation.

Gifts that give more



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Everything you buy helps us pay for translators, support volunteers while in Vietnam, develop post graduate training and help students while studying.

TFA Scholarships



Scholarships recipients with TFA directors Bronwyn Coop and Sue Woodward at the opening of the 10 month paediatric course in Speech Therapy, in September 2016

To meet one of TFA's goals – to spread the knowledge about speech therapy to all regions of Vietnam – TFA offered 7 scholarships to attend the new paediatric speech therapy course at UPNT. The aim was to encourage education and health professionals from regions outside Ho Chi Minh City to attend.

Scholarship recipients include those from Danang, Nha Trang, Hanoi and Long An.

TFA gratefully acknowledge the contribution of the SHIRLEY GREATHEAD FOUNDATION, who are sponsoring the two students from Danang University of Medical Technology and Pharmacy, Head of Rehabilitation Dr Thuy and Physiotherapist Ms Hien.



TFA congratulate Mr Dien on obtaining admission to the University of Newcastle to undertake a Masters degree by research in speech pathology.

While The University of Newcastle is providing a half scholarship, TFA are supporting Mr Dien with all other fees, thanks to the generous support shown by our donors.

Following completion of the course, Mr Dien will be a leader of the much anticipated Speech Therapy Bachelor degree in Vietnam.

Children's speech



Director Sue Woodward presents text book "Children's Speech" to Professor Nguyen Thi Ngoc Dung, Head of Speech Therapy Training Program UPNT on behalf of Professor Sharynne McLeod and her co-author Professor Elise Baker.

This book contains an acknowledgement for the UPNT students on the first speech therapy course, who help provide information about the various aspects of the Vietnamese language.

A big year for Mr Quyen



TFA are proud of the very hard work of Mr Quyen (graduate 2010-12) from Children's Hospital Number 1. The courses he has run this year attest to his hard work to spread knowledge about Speech Therapy to regional areas of Vietnam.

Mr Quyen is now one of the leading lecturers in the new paediatric course now underway at UPNT.

[Read more about his achievements this year](#)

New audiometer at Kianh



Staff at the Kianh Foundation in Hoi An receive training on how to use the audiometer recently donated by TFA.

Children at their centre will now have access to reliable hearing testing. This has been a great need at the centre for many years



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