Communication Journey: Aphasia – an App in Practice

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The Beginning

- Gathered vocabulary and architectural ideas from SLPs who work exclusively with people with severe aphasia
- Incorporated the core values from LPAA
- Expected the pages to be part of a multi-modal system
- Used base page set to create a completely customized system for each client
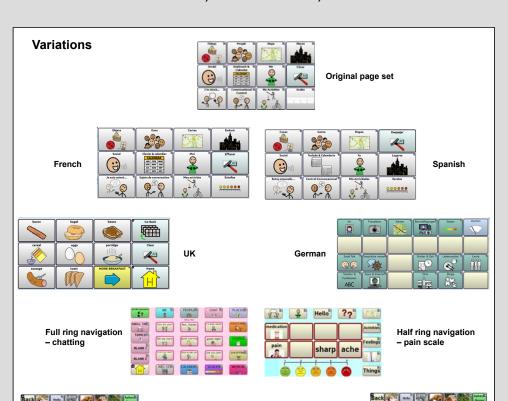- Not intended to be used as–is out of the box

Betsy's page

First Version

- Was created for people with a stroke or other head injury whose speech was not adequate to meet their daily communication needs
- Was a catalogue of grid based topics and supports that the SLP could choose from when customizing for a client

Dan's page

Variations

Original page set

French

Spanish

UK

German

Full ring navigation – chatting

Half ring navigation – pain scale

Half ring navigation – using phone

Half ring navigation – catalogue for SLP to chose from

Contributors

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Update

- Page set has been modified while in clinical use
- Includes versions that incorporate ring navigation
- Translated into French, German
- Spanish planned for next upgrade
- Modified for UK vocabulary

Features

- Symbols
- Pictures
- Words
- Messages
- Topic Setters
- Scripts
- Visual scenes
- Life stories
- Maps
- Videos
- Schedules
- Scales
- Self advocacy
- Repairing breakdowns

Web Based Supports

- https://saltillo.com/products/option/communication-journey-aphasia
- https://saltillo.com/videos/cjaphasia
- https://saltillo.com/downloads/Communication-Journey-Aphasia-User-Guide-CAYA.pdf
- http://www.cayabc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/AAC_Aphasia_CAYA.pdf
- https://www.youtube.com/user/CAYABC

- PAGE SET CREATED IN THE TOUCH CHAT APP
- Template is included with every copy of Touch Chat sold (Communication Journey: Aphasia)
- https://itunes.apple.com/ca/app/touchchat-hd-aac/id398860728?mt=8