TRANSCRIPT: Physiotherapist: Transdisciplinary working

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I work with the music therapist and the school speech and language therapist, participating in group work. We do one group a week working with four to five children and it's a total communication, physical and music therapy based group and we all have our own targets that we work on.

We'll meet prior to starting the group and discuss what it is that we particularly all want to work on and, maybe, have one or two things so that there's not too much going on. We will choose a topic and we usually try and tie in with whatever the class topic is.

I feel my role is to enable the child to be positioned so that they can work on communication targets and through the medium of music as well.

It makes the learning more fun for the children because I can work on a target and the child doesn't actually realise that that's what they're working on because they're having fun with the music or pressing the switch.

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