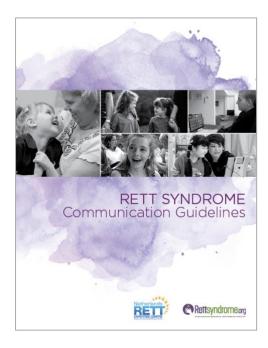


Release of Rett Syndrome Communication Guidelines

We are delighted to announce the release of the NEW **Rett Syndrome Communication Guidelines:** A handbook for therapists, educators and families.



The digital download is free and can be downloaded as many times as you need. You can choose to download the complete handbook or individual sections of the handbook.

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What are the guidelines?

The guidelines are designed for parents, carers, therapists and educators. They help by setting a baseline of good practice in developing the communication skills of people with Rett syndrome. They are a starting point for assessment, intervention and long-term management. From this detailed baseline, local and personal practice can be built.

How did we develop them?

The project called on practice and experience of people around the world, coordinated by a small group of international experts. They are consensus-based guidelines, based on available evidence gathered through systematic literature review, real-life experience and expert opinion. In total, 650 people from 43 countries participated in the project.

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Translation of the guidelines

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