Name

## HAS APRAXIA



## What Is Apraxia?

The connection between the brain and the muscles for speech has been interrupted. It is not an intellectual deficit.

The person knows what they want to say, but they are having difficulty making their mouth move effectively. It does NOT mean that they do not understand or that they cannot communicate in some other way.

## Please:

- Be patient and respectful. Allow extra time.
- Do not shout.
- Do not interrupt or finish sentences.
- Do not make assumptions.
- Confirm that he understands what you are saying.
- Repeat/confirm what was said.
- Always have paper and pencil or other communication tools available.



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For more information about apraxia, go to aphasia.org