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COMPLEX PEDIATRIC FEEDING DISORDERS: TREATING THE WHOLE CHILD

Course Description

This 2 day workshop is designed for professionals who serve children with complex feeding aversions/disorders in hospital, school and private practice settings. Focus is placed on comprehensive holistic evaluation of these complex problems including those encountered by children with structural issues, cardiac issues, prematurity, Autism, Syndromes, GI issues, sensory integration disorders, Down Syndrome as well as on a holistic treatment approach for common feeding disorders that are characteristic of many of these children including rigid eating patterns, inability to regulate their own hunger/satiety, difficulty transitioning to table foods and/or tube dependency, lack of autonomy. In addition to innovative effective treatment techniques, participants will learn the criteria to determine what intensity of therapy is warranted. Many case studies with videos will be used to illustrate the complex nature of these children. Instructional methods include case studies with discussion and videos, lectures and handouts.

Friday, May 21, 2010	
7:30 – 8:00	<i>Registration</i>
8:00 – 9:00	Holistic Evaluation of Feeding Issues in the NICU
9:45 – 10:00	<i>Break</i>
10:00 – 12:00	Holistic Evaluation of Feeding Issues Post NICU
12:00 – 1:30	<i>Lunch on Your Own</i>
1:30 – 2:30	Sensory, Motoric, Developmental and Environmental Issues that Impact Feeding
2:30 – 2:45	<i>Break</i>
2:45 – 4:00	Barriers to Normal Feeding Patterns in Various Populations
4:00	<i>Adjourn</i>

Saturday, May 22, 2010	
7:30 – 8:00	<i>Registration</i>
8:00 – 9:00	Foundations for Feeding the Toddler & Young Child—Prerequisites
9:45 – 10:00	<i>Break</i>
10:00 – 12:00	Holistic Therapy Techniques for Treating Feeding Disorders
12:00 – 1:30	<i>Lunch on Your Own</i>
1:30 – 2:30	Case Studies and Discussion
2:30 – 2:45	<i>Break</i>
2:45 – 4:00	Case Studies and Discussion
4:00	<i>Adjourn</i>

Learner Outcomes

At the successful completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- identify elements that interfere with normal eating.
- identify children who are appropriate and ready for oral functional therapy.
- perform a holistic evaluation for complex feeding problems.
- identify the barriers to normal eating patterns and potential treatment goals.
- develop a holistic treatment approach including determining the appropriate intensity of therapy (including issues of timing as to when to use resources differently).



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Speaker Biography



Mary C. "Polly" Tarbell, MEd, CCC-SLP

Mary C. Tarbell, MEd CCC-SLP, "aka" Polly is an SLP with 21 years experience with pediatric feeding disorders. She currently works at the University of Virginia's Kluge Children's Rehabilitation Center in Charlottesville, Virginia. She is the director of the nationally known Encouragement Feeding program. Through this program she has directly seen over 350 children with complex feeding disorders. She has published a peer reviewed article regarding weaning children from gastrostomy tubes in *Infants and Young Children* (2002) and has co-published a chapter in *Communication Sciences and Disorders: An introduction* (2006). She currently guest lectures at the University of Virginia Curry School of Education on a regular basis regarding pediatric feeding disorders.

DATES Friday, May 21 and Saturday, May 22, 2010
 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
REGISTER BY MAY 1, 2010 for BEST RATE!

LOCATION Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, Abingdon, Virginia
 Classroom #240
 Directions available at: <http://www.swcenter.edu/about/directions.html>

LODGING Lodging information available at <http://www.washingtonvachamber.org/lodge.htm>

COST \$250.00 by May 1
 \$300.00 after May 1

This program is offered for 1.2 CEUs
 Intermediate Level,
 Professional Area



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REGISTRATION FORM: COMPLEX PEDIATRIC FEEDING DISORDERS

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