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16TH ANNUAL
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“Creating Positive Environments for Children with Hearing Loss”

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
As the only annual conference in RI dedicated to Early Hearing Detection and Intervention, this event is key in bringing together health care providers involved with caring for children with hearing loss, as well as educators, families, and other important groups and individuals. This annual opportunity to learn and collaborate with others in the field is essential for our providers and families in RI, as well as our neighboring states.

A remarkable faculty of academics and clinicians who specialize in childhood hearing loss will be lecturing on management of children who have hearing loss and other disabilities; challenges in NICU hearing screening process; bilingual education; Cochlear Implants and their potentials and limitations; causes and diagnoses of late onset and progressive hearing loss. There will also be a workshop offered by educators of the deaf with a panel of teenagers with hearing loss who will discuss the different paths they’ve chosen. The seminar’s learning objectives will be covered in both lecture and repeating morning and afternoon workshop sessions. Please refer to the itinerary for a full schedule. Registrants will be able to choose which workshops to attend the day of the conference.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
• Select the appropriate test protocol for infants and children of different ages and understand what is required to make the testing reliable.
• Identify challenges that exist in NICU hearing screening/ follow-up.
• Compare results of different test protocols to determine appropriate management.
• Identify techniques for evaluation of children with multiple disabilities.
• List the advantages and limitations of each hearing screening technology.
• Describe NICU hearing screening practices employed across the US.
• Attempt open communication among professionals and community members regarding a deaf child.
• Address how interdependence can occur between a home, school and community.
• Examine and promote team building among professionals.
• Describe changes needed to improve NICU hearing screening in the US.
• Provide appropriate counseling to assist families in understanding test results.
• Define myths and facts about ASL/English Bilingual Education.

TARGET AUDIENCE
• Educators
• Deaf/Hard of Hearing Service Providers
• Audiologists
• Parents/Caregivers
• Early Interventionists
• Speech Language Pathologists
• Health Care Providers
• Students Studying Communication Disorders
• Physicians

LOCATION
Crowne Plaza at the Crossings
Grand Ballroom Entrance
801 Greenwich Ave, Warwick, RI 02886
(401) 732-6000

FEATURED SPEAKERS
Margaret Kenna, MD, MPH, Director of Clinical Research Otolaryngology & Communication Enhancement, Children’s Hospital Boston, Boston, MA
Jane Madell, PhD, CC-A/SLP, LSLS, Cert AVT, Pediatric Audiology Consultant, New York, NY
Jackson Roush, PhD, Professor & Director, Division of Speech & Hearing Sciences, University of North Carolina School of Medicine, Chapel Hill, NC
Laurene Simms, PhD, Professor, Department of Education, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS
This program is offered for 6 CEUs (Intermediate Level; Professional area).

Visit www.womenandinfants.org/classes/events page for conference information.

FREE PARKING!
Minutes south of Providence
R.I. Hearing Assessment Program
Women & Infants Hospital of RI
101 Dudley St.
Providence, RI 02905
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PROGRAM

7:45 am  Registration
8:30 am  Welcoming Remarks
Betty Vohr, MD
8:45 am  1st Plenary: Management of Children with Hearing Loss & Other Disabilities
Jane Madell, PhD
9:25 am  Q&A
9:35 am  2nd Plenary: Cochlear Implant & Outcomes
Margaret Kenna, MD, MPH
10:20 am  Q&A
10:30 am  Break and Exhibits
10:45 am  A) Behavioral Evaluation of Hearing in Infants
Jane Madell, PhD
B) Late Onset & Progressive Hearing Loss
Margaret Kenna, MD, MPH
C) Pediatric Hearing Screen: Beyond the Newborn Period, Jackson Rouf, PhD
D) Different Decisions—Different Pathways—The Teenage Perspective, Donna Rizzo, MS, CCC, Julia Lee, MA; Denise Loranger, MEd

12-1 pm  Lunch and Exhibitor Demonstrations

1-2:15 pm  A) Behavioral Evaluation of Hearing in Infants
Jane Madell, PhD
B) Late Onset & Progressive Hearing Loss
Margaret Kenna, MD, MPH
C) Pediatric Hearing Screen: Beyond the Newborn Period, Jackson Rouf, PhD
D) Whose Literacy, Laurene Simms, PhD

2:15 pm  Break
2:30 pm  3rd Plenary: Hearing Screening in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit: Current Status & Future Needs, Jackson Rouf, PhD
3:15 pm  Q&A
3:25 pm  4th Plenary: It is Easier to Build a Child than to Repair an Adult, Laurene Simms, PhD
4:10 pm  Q&A
4:20 pm  Raffle Drawing
4:30 pm  Adjournment

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RIHAP 6TH ANNUAL ART COMPETITION
The Rhode Island Hearing Assessment Program is sponsoring their “6th Annual RIHAP Art Competition” and welcomes all school-aged children in Rhode Island with a permanent hearing loss to participate. The beautiful artwork will be on display at the conference. For entry forms, please refer to the contact information below:

***A special thanks to Berk’s Shoes, The Center for Preventative Medicine, and the other RI businesses that expressed their support and generosity to this wonderful portion of our seminar.

REGISTER TODAY
Registration fee includes seminar instruction materials, CEU credit materials, Certificates of Attendance, continental breakfast, lunch and morning and afternoon refreshment/snack breaks.

On-Site registrants will be accepted if space is available and will be charged a $20 surcharge in addition to the late registration fee.

Registration confirmations will be sent via email on March 8, 2010.

Cancellations received after March 8, 2010 will be charged a $20 fee.

Please complete the registration form and return it with the registration fee to the address on the form.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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Conference information can also be found online at: www.womenandinfants.org, and search classes/events for March 29, 2010.

REGISTRATION FORM

Date Received: __________________ (Office use only)
Please PRINT the following information:
Name: _____________________________________________
Title: _____________________________________________
Affiliation: _________________________________________
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City: __________________ State: _____ Zip ____________
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REGISTRATION FEES: Please circle attendee category.
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Student/Parent $30 $50
Professional $130 $150

Date: __________________ Total Amt. Due: $ __________________

Registration fee payable by check or money order only to:
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Mail To: Women & Infants Hospital
Attn: RI Hearing Assessment Program
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