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## Helping Children Who Stutter: Building Capable Communicators

Friday, March 31, 2006

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.**

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### Fees:

#### Speech-language Pathologists

\$105.00 SLP Pre-registration before March 17th

\$115.00 SLP Registration after March 17th

#### Students/NSA members

\$45.00 Pre-registration before March 17th

\$55.00 Registration after March 17th

Fee includes: Continental breakfast, instruction, and handout materials.

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## Course description

Helping children who stutter can be one of the speech-language pathologist's biggest challenges. Of all the communication disorders, many SLPs feel most ill-equipped to work with stuttering. Whether it is because of having less experience working with the disorder, confusion stemming from the complexities of stuttering, fear of making the problem worse, or not feeling comfortable knowing what to do, many SLPs perceive themselves to be "least well prepared" to find a satisfactory resolution to the problems presented by childhood stuttering.

This workshop is designed to develop a conceptual framework from which to approach stuttering. The framework is structured to enable SLPs to understand and treat multiple aspects of the disorder competently and confidently. The majority of this workshop focuses

on treatment strategies to specifically address the main components of the problem -- helping the children to better manage their stuttering, learn fluency-specific speaking styles, and construct a positive image of himself or herself as a communicator. The workshop is designed to clarify stuttering by dispelling misinformation and developing a clear, focused picture of the cause and nature of stuttering problems based on current research, clinical experience, and intuition. An emphasis will be placed on discussion of practical approaches for SLPs to work with children to explore and understand their experience with stuttering, help them view their problem objectively, and empower them, their parents, and teachers to effectively minimize the handicapping affects of the disorder.

### Schedule

8:00 – 8:30am	Registration – Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	Developing a Model for Treatment.
10:00 – 10:15	Break
10:15 – 12:00	Treatment: Overview of Approaches.
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 3:00	Treatment: Targeting the Affective Aspects of Stuttering
3:00 – 3:15	Break (Afternoon Snack)
3:15 – 4:30	Treatment: Beyond the Therapy Room; Questions & Answers

## Learner Outcomes

Following this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Identify specific component behaviors and emotions associated with stuttering, critical to effecting appropriate therapeutic management.
- Select and utilize effective treatment approaches to increase fluency, reduce stuttering, and improve communication ability in children who stutter.
- Partner with parents and teachers of children who stutter to help them meaningfully contribute to their child's success communicating.

**Register Early for  
Pre-Registration Savings!**

**Instructor Gary J. Rentschler, Ph.D., CCC-SLP** is Director of the Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic and Coordinator of Clinical Education at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA. Dr. Rentschler is also the Clinical Program Director of the STAR (Stuttering Treatment and Research) Center at Duquesne. Gary has previously served as Director of the University of Michigan's Shady Trails Camp, one of the first summer residential treatment programs for children who stutter. He is a member of ASHA Special Interest Division 4: Fluency and Fluency Disorders and was part of the initial cadre of ASHA Board-Recognized Fluency Specialists. He has authored research papers and presented lectures and workshops on stuttering nationally and internationally. Dr. Rentschler has been active in clinical practice in stuttering for over 25 years and was recognized as "Speech Pathologist of the Year - 2002" by the National Stuttering Association. Gary is an experienced clinician and a person who stutters. He brings a unique personal and professional perspective in dealing with the issues associated with effective treatment of stuttering.

## Directions

The workshop will be held at the University at Buffalo South Campus which is located at Route 5 (Main Street) and Route 62 (Bailey Avenue). From the New York State Thruway (I-90), take exit 50 to Route 5 West. . Turn left on Route 62 (Bailey Avenue) and right on Michael Road which is on Campus. The Visitor Information Center and the Michael-Farber lot is on the left.

## Hotel Information

BOULEVARD INN & SUITES

3612 Main Street

Buffalo, NY

Phone: 716-837-3344

(Across from the Main Street Campus)

Single Room: \$62.63

Double Room: \$77.87

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## Continuing Education Credit

National Stuttering Association is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. This program is offered for .6 CEUs (Intermediate level; Professional area). ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

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### Target audience:

Speech-language pathologists, speech pathology students, and educators.

### General Information

**Fee includes:** Instruction and handout material, Continental breakfast.

**Location:** University at Buffalo – Main St. Campus, Farber Hall, Butler Auditorium.

**Parking:** Visitor Parking is in the Farber-Michael lot.

**Refund Policy:** 75% refunds are available if cancellation is made 1 week prior to program date. Substitutions in writing are accepted up to program date.

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Special thanks to:

  
SHAWNY  
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