



Accelerated Learning

AAC STRATEGIES SERIES

Supporting Language and Communication for Individuals with Autism

Course Description:

Have you ever asked...

- Should I use voice output augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) with people with autism?
- As long as she can talk (like repeating lines from movies or imitating speech), she doesn't need AAC, right?
- Why would I give an expensive communication device to someone with problem behaviors?
- Now that he has a communication device, what can I do to help him use it effectively?
- Why should I put visual supports for behavior and learning on a communication device?

If so, this session is for you! We will discuss a wide range of current research about the effective use of AAC with individuals with autism. Then, we will focus on the specific ways AAC can be used to address expressive and receptive language, social communication, and behavior and emotional regulation. We will discuss and demonstrate strategies and techniques for both individuals with autism and their communication partners. Activities, discussion, and case studies will be utilized to help participants personalize these strategies and techniques. Planning tools will be introduced to help participants prepare to use the new ideas immediately!

Learning Objectives:

1. Summarize 2-3 myths related to the use of high-tech AAC with individuals with autism
2. Define the Least Dangerous Assumption as it relates to high-tech AAC and autism
3. Match 1-2 AAC solutions and/or teaching strategies to each target area
4. Identify 3-4 solutions and/or teaching strategies to use with one individual with autism

Target Audience:

- SLPs
- Parents/family members
- General educators
- Special educators
- OTs
- Behavior specialists
- ATP/ATS
- Para-professionals
- Others involved in the lives of individuals with autism

WHEN

TUESDAY

6.21.11

9 AM - 3:30 PM

WHERE

Texas Christian University
Brown-Lupton University Union
2901 Stadium Drive, Chambers Room
Fort Worth, TX 76129

COST

NO CHARGE!

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

www.dynavoxtech.com/training/onlocation/search-aac.aspx

QUESTIONS

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Implementation Workshops are presented by speech-language pathologists employed by DynaVox. Our Implementation Specialists have practical experience working with a variety of augmentative and alternative communication users. They also have a passion for teaching others how to support AAC users!



This course is offered for .5 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate level, Professional area).