

Evening Workshop - via Zoom

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Everything You Need to Know About Stuttering and Treatment Approaches

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Audience: Teachers Social Workers Speech/Language Pathologists LMHCs Psychologists (Licensed & School)

Age Range: Preschool Elem MS HS **Course Level/Learning Methods:** Intermediate; Lecture, Videos, Practice

Stuttering is a speech disorder characterized by repetitions of sounds, syllables, words, or prolongations of sounds and interruptions in speech known as blocks. Stuttering can be more than just dysfluencies. Stuttering may also include tension, negative feelings about talking and may even get in the way of how a student talks with others.

Treatment of stuttering is crucial as there could be many negative effects that significantly impact a student's ability to participate in school and social activities. If stuttering is left not addressed or untreated, the student may have difficulties with learning to speak clearly, self-esteem and confidence, as well as bullying.

This workshop will focus on giving you a better understanding of stuttering and ideas on how to approach treatment. There is no one specific treatment option for the student who stutters, and the goals and treatment plans should be developed based upon each student's speaking, social, emotional and mental needs. Often treatment is a collaborative approach involving the speech-language pathologist, classroom teacher, psychologist, social worker, parents, and others.

Learner Objectives - As a result of this activity, participant will be able to:

- define the different types of dysfluencies
- identify the various treatment techniques to use from preschool and older students
- identify the social/emotional effects stuttering has on a student
- identify goals with increasing complexity to meet the needs of each individual student

Agenda

- What is stuttering & types of stuttering (30 min)
- Treatment techniques (60 min)
- Break (15 min)
- Negative reaction to stuttering and treatment approaches (30 min)
- Goals and therapy activities/ideas (30 min)
- Case studies (30 min)

Biographical Information:

Louise Vigilante, M.S., CCC-SLP TSHH is a NYS licensed Speech-Language Pathologist and currently the Speech Clinical Supervisor for Suffolk County at Family of Kidz/Kidz Therapy. She has been with the company since 2007 providing direct treatment and conducting evaluations for Early Intervention (Birth through 3 years of age) and Preschool (3-5 years of age) students. As a Supervisor, she provides clinical support and guidance to all of the Speech Language Pathologists working within our clinics, as well as out in the field throughout Suffolk County. Her primary interests include pediatric speech and language disorders with an emphasis on stuttering assessment and treatment of students ranging from preschool through high school.

DISCLOSURE INFORMATION: Financial: Ms. Vigilante is an employee of Family of Kidz, our parent organization. She is receiving a speaker's fees for presenting this session. **Non-financial:** There are no other non-financial disclosures.

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