Early Communication Intervention: A Shared Role for Audiologists and Speech-Language Therapists

The Annual CHRIB Seminar, Presented by the Dept of Communication Pathology, University of Pretoria
5 September 2009

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The morning seminar consists of seven different presentations by audiologists and speech-language therapists on contemporary issues in early communication intervention (ECI) practice. The papers are presented by lecturers in ECI, and cover the following topics: Early signs of auditory processing difficulties, the latest research on late talkers, the importance of newborn hearing screening, the challenge of auditory neuropathy, a communication profile of young children with fetal alcohol spectrum disorder and information sharing with parents.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Participants will gain knowledge about screening, assessment and intervention guidelines which may be applied in their clinical practice in ECI, either in audiology or in speech-language therapy.

WHO SHOULD ENROL?

Speech-language therapists, audiologists and any other professional working or who have an interest in Early Intervention

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Professionals who hold a degree may attend as well as students in Communication Pathology.

COURSE STRUCTURE AND VENUE

This is a half day seminar presented at the Department of Communication Pathology, University of Pretoria.

ASSESSMENT AND ACCREDITATION

A certificate of attendance with 5 CPD points will be issued to all delegates.

The recommended level is 1.

COURSE FEE (CE at UP IS EXEMPT FROM VAT)

The course fee is R350 per delegate and includes all course notes and light refreshments.

PROGRAMME

7:00-8:00 Registration

8:00-8:15 Opening

Prof Brenda Louw

8:15-9:00 Early signs of auditory processing difficulties: Red flags in assessment results and guidelines for intervention Case study

Dr Lidia Pottas

9:00-9:45 Late talkers: Long-term weakness in language-related skills. An overview of longitudinal research by Rescorla and clinical implications

Mrs Salomè Geertsema

9:45-10:15 Tea

10:15-11:00 The importance of newborn hearing screening for early intervention

Prof DeWet Swanepoel

11:00-11:45 The multidisciplinary challenge of auditory neuropathy *Miss Talita van der Spuy*

11:45-12:30 Young children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Characteristics, assessment and intervention guidelines

Miss Mari de Beer

12:30-13:15 Information sharing with parents: Searching together to understand

Prof Alta Kritzinger

13:15-13:45 Synopsis, evaluation and closure

Prof Brenda Louw

REGISTRATION AND ENQUIRIES

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