Pediatric Audiology: Evaluating the Hearing of Infants and Toddlers

Idaho’s Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) program and the National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) are partnering to offer another exciting training opportunity for audiologists. This instruction will enhance knowledge and skills in the assessment for hearing loss in infants and toddlers. In addition, this training will provide strategies to ensure appropriate intervention is provided to children with hearing loss. The educational opportunity combines 5 weeks of online preparation with a two-day, on-site workshop emphasizing clinical procedures and hands-on practicum.

Online Instruction is required before attending on-site training.

Weekly readings and online chats will increase theoretical and clinical knowledge. The reading list includes current relevant information regarding diagnostics, behavioral assessment and intervention of infants and young children. Reading material will be available on the course website and will be discussed during weekly chat sessions with mentors. Participants will be required to successfully complete an online quiz to measure their understanding of the background information after the chat room sessions have been completed.

Workshop Details:

All participants will be asked to participate in a conference call prior to the start of the online instruction. During that call, students will be introduced to their online mentor and briefed on procedures for the online chats. Technical requirements for the online chats are a computer with Internet access, i.e. Microsoft Internet Explorer, Mozilla or similar web browser, and willingness to participate. You DO NOT need to be a computer “guru” to be able to participate effectively in the online portion of this workshop.

Chat Room Dates:

Exact days and times will be arranged to meet the needs of the participants.

Week of May 5th, 2014 - Conference Call.

Week of: May 12th, 2014 Online.

Week of: May 19th, 2014 Online.

Week of: May 26th, 2014 Online.

Week of: June 2nd, Online.

Online Quiz:

The online quiz will be available at the end of the week of June 2nd, the week before the onsite workshop. Participants who are familiar with the material in the readings and have participated in the chats should have no difficulty passing this quiz.

Technical Assistance:

You will be provided with a link and telephone number to assist you with any computer related problems or questions. Your online mentor may be contacted for questions regarding workshop content or materials.

On-site Instruction:

Dr. Diane Sabo, Dr. Terry Foust, Dr. Karen Ditty, and Dr. Erika Blanchard will provide Two days of clinically based presentations. Hands-on experience with clinical diagnostic equipment will also be provided by the generous support of leading manufacturers of Audiology equipment.
Dr. Diane Sabo will discuss: Evaluating the hearing of infants and toddlers. Electrophysiological and Electroacoustical procedures for infant Auditory Assessment. Behavioral assessment of infants & children

Dr. Terry Foust will discuss: IPad applications and their use for the busy Audiologist

Dr. Karen Ditty will discuss: EHDI and the Law Report Writing

Dr. Erika Blanchard will discuss: New 2014 coding for reimbursement

Hands-on Experience: Breakout hands-on sessions will afford you the opportunity to apply procedures discussed during the didactic sessions. Equipment specialists and mentors will be available to help guide you.

Practicum Experience: Each participant will be asked to complete or review diagnostic evaluations for three infants using the protocols presented in the course, and to submit a written report for each. Practicum mentors will read each report and provide helpful feedback. Participants and mentors will work together to arrange practicum situations that meet the participant’s individual needs.

Registration Fee: Will be WAIVED for the first 45 students that register (this includes 1 night stay at the onsite hotel) Additional nights will be the responsibility of the student but are available at a reduced rate for the first 15 students who need the extra night. Students will be required to attend both days of the 2-day, onsite workshop in Coeur d’Alene if registration is accepted.

Registration Deadline: APRIL 30TH Early registration is encouraged, since enrollment is limited to 50 participants. For questions regarding registration, please contact Dr. Karen Ditty at KDitty@me.com

AAA CEU American Academy of Audiology (AAA) CEUs are pending and will be available for this course, 23 hours (.23 CEUs). Instructional level for this course is: Intermediate level. The National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) out of Utah State University is approved by the American Academy of Audiology to offer Academy CEUs for this activity.

Arrangements for hotel rooms have been acquired at the: The Springhill Suites by Marriott – Coeur d’Alene 2250 West Seltice Way Coeur d’Alene , Idaho

All arrangements for hotels will be made through the registration process. 1 Night will be provided with registration however if more than 1 night is needed, please note that on the registration form. The participant will incur additional costs outside the one night provided with registration. Question can be directed to Dr. Karen Ditty at KDitty@me.com

We reserve the right to cancel or reschedule this event if an insufficient number of registrations are received. In the event of a cancellation, registration fees will be refunded.