



UNIVERSITY OF CAPE COAST
SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCES



3rd CAPE COAST AUTISM TRAINING WORKSHOP

COMMUNICATION: Skills and Strategies for the Special Needs Child

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE COAST, GHANA

November 16th – 18th, 2016

November 16th & 17th – Educators, Practitioners and Parents

November 18th – Medical Staff, Parents

Presenter: **Cheryl Small Jackson, MSCCC-SLP**

Multidisciplinary collaboration panelists:

Dr. Stephen Laryea	- Head of Pediatrics, Cape Coast Teaching Hospital(CCTH)
Dr. Araba Abakah - Fordjour	- Parent; Founder, Autism Action Group
Ms. Belinda Bukari	- Educationist; Dir., GES Special Ed. Div. Unit Schools
Mrs. Mary Osei	- Educationist; Head Teacher, ABOOM Special School
Mrs. Karen Wylie	- Speech Therapist, Korle Bu Teaching Hospital SLT Unit
Dr. Kwaw Armah-Arloo	- Psychiatrist; Dir., Ankaful Psychiatrist Hospital
Dr. Albert Acquah	- Physiotherapist; Dir., Physical Therapy CCTH
Mr. Emmanuel Osei	- Occupational Therapist; MultiKids Academy

In collaboration with the University of Ghana School of Biomedical and Allied Health Sciences and the Korle Bu Teaching Hospital Speech and Learning Therapy Unit, ENT Department

Learning Objectives:

1. Gain understanding of the terms communication and communicative competence.
2. Understand the differences between speech and language.
3. Confront misconceptions and assumptions about individuals with speech, language and communication delays/disorders and bilingual language learning.
4. Cite the important roles and relationships of cognition, sensory motor and social emotional domains with respect to communication.
5. Describe typical speech, language and communication development in newborns to school age populations.
6. Identify early sign of speech, language and communication delays/disorders.
7. Recognize the importance of different types of play to enhance communicative growth and development.
8. Understand PROMPT (Prompts for Restructuring Oral Muscular Phonetic Targets) approach, system and technique and its current research.
9. Learn intervention approaches that support communication skills.
10. Select functional speech, language and communication objectives, goals and activities to be used in home, school and social settings.

PROGRAM

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

8:00am	Registration
9:00am	Welcome, Opening Remarks Prof. Harold Amoono-Koufie Provost, University of Cape Coast College of Health and Allied Sciences
9:30am	Guest Speaker: Dr. Eben Badoe Dir. of Neurology and Dev. Clinic, Korle Bu Teaching Hospital
10:15am	Break
10:45am	What is Speech? Common Misconceptions, Overview of Communication/ Competence
11:30am	Interactions and Roles of Developmental Domains
12:15pm	Q & A
12:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm	What is Language? Risk factors for Communication Disorders
2:30pm	Communication Milestones/ Clinical Clues (0-5)
3:30pm	Q & A
3:45pm	Importance of Play/ Hands on Activity
4:30pm	Guest Speaker: Margaret Kordorwu Korto MBA, MHA Senior Program Analyst, HHS “The Role Of Community And Family In Treatment”
5:30pm	End of Session

Thursday, November 17, 2016

9:00am	Assessment tools tests
9:30am	Where Do I Begin? Intervention Strategies
10:15am	Q & A
10:30am	Break
11:00am	Intervention Strategies contd.
12:15pm	Q & A
12:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Case Studies
2:30pm	Case Studies contd./ Hands on activity
3:00pm	PROMPT (Prompts for Restructuring Oral Phonetic Targets) therapy review

3:30pm Multidisciplinary team collaboration to facilitate success for the child
4:15pm Resources available in the community
5:00pm Questions and Answers
5:30pm End of Session

Friday, November 18, 2016

8:30am Overview of Communication Competence
9:00am Common misconceptions about individuals with communication delays/disorders and bilingual language learning
9:30am The interactions and roles of the Developmental Domains: physical-sensory, cognitive linguistic and social emotional skills with respect to communication
10:00am Typical communication development from infancy to school age/
Identification of speech, language and communication delays/disorders
10:30am Break
10:45am Assessment tools and Recommendations/Plan of Action
11:15am Therapeutic Interventions that support communication development (ABA, PECS, PROMPT, augmentative systems, sign language)
11:45am PROMPT therapy to improve communication and speech production skills in children and adults. A review of current PROMPT research findings
12:30pm Lunch
1:30pm Functional strategies and tools for communicative success
2:30pm Putting the pieces together- presentation and discussion of several case studies and the groups' clinical recommendations

3:15pm Multidisciplinary team collaboration to facilitate success for the child
3:45pm Resources available in the community
4:15pm Questions and Answers
4:45pm Closing remarks
Mary Diop
Founder & CEO, CHIP International
5:00pm End of Workshop