

Facilitating Functional
Communication for Children with
Limited Speech Using Augmentative
or Alternative Communication
Systems

Ottawa Children's Treatment Centre
Friday, May 28th, 2010

9:00 Registration

9:30 AAC – Who is it for?

Myths about AAC
Using AAC with young children
Overview of AAC Systems

- Aided or Unaided
- Symbolic or Non-Symbolic
- Technical or Non-technical

Access

10:45 BREAK

11:00 Start With the End in Mind

Planning Functions – Choosing Means
Practice – Functional Analysis of
Opportunities

**12:30-1:30 Members' Lunch Hosted by
CDAAC**

1:30 How to make it happen

- Creating opportunities
- Planning vocabulary
- Aided Language Stimulation

VIDEOS

Practice – make a theme-board
Partner Assisted Scanning

2:45 BREAK

3:00 Practice

Aided Language Stimulation
(Lite Tech/Low Tech/High Tech)

4:30 Wrap-up

Ottawa Children's Treatment Centre
Eastern Ottawa Location
2211 Thurston Drive
Ottawa ON K1G 6C9

Directions

From the Trans Canada Hwy E/Provincial:

- 417 East towards Montreal.
- Walkley Road Exit, veer right.
- Left on St. Laurent Blvd.
- Left on Thurston Drive.

From Toronto:

- 401 East
- 416 North
- 417 EAST
- Walkley Road Exit, veer right.
- Left on St. Laurent Blvd.
- Left on Thurston Drive.

Map-Quest identifies a variety of hotel options to
meet your travel needs.

**Following the conference there will be
an opportunity to network with your
colleagues during a tour of Ottawa's
main attractions and dinner at one of
Ottawa's wonderful restaurants.
Details will be provided at the
conference.**

CDAAC
Spring Conference
Ottawa Children's
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Guest Speaker
Marjorie Button. SLP



CDAAC Spring Conference Registration*

Name:

Phone#:

Email:

Population you serve:

Registration fee

\$45

Includes lunch.

Registration Deadline is May 21st.

Make cheque payable to CDAAC

CDAAC
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*You must be a current member of CDAAC to register.

Guest Speaker

Marjorie Button is a speech-language pathologist with more than 30 years experience. She is currently working at the Ottawa Children's Treatment Centre, in both the Early Childhood Program and the Clinic for Augmentative Communication. She is certified to provide Hanen Parent Training Programs (It Takes Two To Talk; More Than Words) and she bridges an understanding of Hanen strategies and vocabulary with her knowledge of augmentative systems and techniques.

“Clients who are non-verbal or have limited speech often benefit from the use of an augmentative or alternative communication system to communicate more successfully and/or to advance language learning. This workshop, discussion and hands-on activities will focus on how to get started, how to design and how to use augmentative systems with communicators at different levels.”

Marjorie Button

Learning objectives

Participants will understand:

- Different kinds of augmentative communication systems & how they are used
- Access methods – e.g., direct access, eye gaze, partner assisted scanning, scanning with devices, exchange systems
- Aided Language Stimulation
- Communication Breakdown Hierarchies
- Core/Fringe Vocabulary

Participants will practice:

- Functional Analysis of Communication Opportunities
- Vocabulary selection and organization
- Designing theme-boards/ communication pages/ communication books
- Using Aided Language Stimulation as a strategy to facilitate use of augmentative system

