Assessment and Treatment of Complex Feeding Disorders: Assessing and Treating the Whole Child



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Faculty

Mary (Polly) Tarbell-Bickley engages students with her dynamic presentation style and deep expertise gained over 32 years as a speechlanguage pathologist specializing in pediatric feeding disorders. She currently works at the University of Virginia's Children's Hospital in Charlottesville, Virginia. She is the director of the nationally-known Encouragement Feeding Program, through which she has directly seen over 800 children with complex feeding disorders. She has published a peer reviewed article in Infants and Young Children regarding weaning children from gastrostomy tubes and has co-published a chapter in Communication Sciences and Disorders: An Introduction, 2006. She lectured at the University of Virginia Curry School of Education regarding pediatric feeding disorders for many years.

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About this Live Webinar

Clinicians will be taught the necessary components of a comprehensive evaluation of feeding problems including those encountered by children with oral motor dysfunction, ankyloglossia, oral motor inexperience, oral hypersensitivity, behavioral rigidity and anxiety as seen in children with cardiac issues, prematurity, ASD, syndromes and SPD. Focus will be on a holistic treatment approach for challenging feeding disorders that are characteristically seen with tube dependency, oral inexperience, severe oral hypersensitivity, rigid eating patterns, and difficulty transitioning to table foods. Participants will leave with a comprehensive therapy tool-box including suggestions for reducing mealtime stress, improving oral competence and thus confidence and ensuring family carryover. Video case analysis will enhance problem-solving in hospital.

Objectives

- Identify children who are appropriate for oral functional therapy
- Choose the components of a holistic evaluation for complex feeding problems to reduce mealtime stress, improve oral competence and increase confidence ensuring family carryover
- Apply at least 3 treatment goals to address barriers to normal eating patterns
- Determine the appropriate intensity of therapy to address a feeding impairment
- Select an evidence-based treatment to address a feeding impairment related to oral motor dysfunction, ankyloglossia, oral motor inexperience, oral hypersensitivity, behavioral rigidity and/or anxiety

Audience

This course is designed for those who care for children (infant through school age) with complex feeding disorders; Dietitians, OTs, OTAs, PTs, PTAs, SLPs, Psychologists and Special Educators.



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Schedule	e — Day 1 9:40 am - 6:15 pm EST (US)	Schedu
9:40-10:00	Webinar Registration/Zoom Course Opens	9:40-10:00
10:00-12:00	Holistic evaluation from NICU to home:	10:00-12:0
	Assessment of the elements that impact	
	feeding - cardiac, respiratory, gastro-	
	intestinal, growth, medications and oral	12:00-12:1
	structures including ankyloglossia	12:15-2:00
12:00-12:15	Break	
12:15-1:30	Holistic evaluation: Impact of sensory, motor	
	and developmental issues on feeding	2:00-2:45
1:30-2:15	Lunch	2:45-4:30
2:15-4:30	Holistic evaluation: Impact of anxiety,	
	environment and parent-child interactions on	
	feeding and eating	
4:30-4:45	Break	
4:45-5:45	Analyzing and determining the barriers to	
	functional feeding	4:30-4:45
5:45-6:15	Case Studies - Clinical Problem-Solving:	4:45-5:45
	Autism, Chromosomal disorders, Prematurity,	
	Structural deficits.	"Polly is a

Schedule – Day 2 9:40 am - 5:45 pm EST (US)				
9:40–10:00	Webinar Registration/Zoom Course Opens			
10:00-12:00	Foundations for feeding the toddler/young child, physiological readiness for optimal outcomes			
12:00-12:15	Break			
12:15-2:00	The importance of play, sensory integration and behavior management: Techniques that work			
2:00-2:45	Lunch			
2:45-4:30	Treatment techniques that take the whole child into consideration			
	Case Studies - Clinical Problem-Solving:			
	Including children with selective eating issues, oral motor impairments, oral hypersensitivity and oral inexperience			
4:30-4:45	Break			
4:45-5:45	Treatment elements and techniques			
	Outcome measurement			
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