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**Community Learning Opportunities**

2016 - 2017

*Please share this information with all registrants***.**

* **Full Day sessions are scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and will be held in at SSCY Centre 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg.**
* Paid parking is available on our lot at a cost of about $8.00 per day. Please **do not park in patient or staff parking as you risk being ticketed and towed**.
* There are no food services in the building, however nutrition breaks & treats will be provided. There are refrigerators and microwaves, vending machines and coffee available. One hour will be allowed for lunch.We encourage participants to bring a bagged lunch in order to maximize our time together.
* **The temperature in the presentation room may fluctuate with the season. So for your comfort, please dress in layers**
* Please note that we are a scent free facility. ☺

*Coming From a distance? Enquire about attending through TELEHEALTH.*

**Register by:** Phone: (204 -258-6500)

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**Workshop Schedule 2016 – 2017**

***Boardmaker Beginner Version 6+***

***Content:***Learn the basic features of Boardmaker and Microsoft Paint using time saving tips. This is a “hands on” workshop; you will be provided with a laptop computer and Boardmaker Program to use as you learn. The “Freeform” tool and “Symbolate” tool will be featured in the Boardmaker Advanced Workshop. This class is a pre-requisite to the Advanced Class.

*Please Note: This workshop is not designed for those interested in learning how to use Boardmaker Studio.*

***Participants*:** Family members, Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Educational Assistants, Resource Teachers, Teachers or anyone who will be responsible for producing paper communication boards and language learning materials will benefit from this session. Volunteers and technical support staff are welcome too.

***Preparation:*** Make sure you are comfortable and proficient working in Windows-based computer operating systems and that you have access to Boardmaker at your workplace. Come with “language” needed for some boards you wish to create. Please bring a USB stick/flash drive so that you might take your work with you.

***Cost:* $30** (Full Day 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m)

***Location*:** Computer Lab, SSCY Centre 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (No telehealth Option available)

***Presented by***: Marjorie Guertin, Assistive Technology Assistant

***Dates:***

October 18th, 2016 February 14, 2017

December 6th, 2016 April 11th, 2017

***Boardmaker Advanced Version 6+ (Intermediate 1)***

***Content:***Learn some of the advanced features of Boardmaker, including the “Symbolate” and “Freeform” tools, shuffling, swapping, enlarging/shrinking entire communication boards. Many time saving features will be reviewed.

***Participants:***Participation in Boardmaker Beginner class is a pre-requisite. Those responsible for producing paper communication boards and language learning materials will benefit from this session. Volunteers and technical support staff are welcome too.

***Preparation:***Come with “language” needed for some boards you wish to create. Please bring a USB stick/flash drive so that you might take your work with you.

***Cost:* $20** (**Half Day** 9am to 12 noon)

***Location***: Computer Lab, SSCY Centre 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (No telehealth Option available)

***Presented by***: Marjorie Guertin, Assistive Technology Assistant

***Dates:***

November 15th, 2016 March 14th, 2017

January 17th, 2017 May 16th, 2017

***Promoting Flexible Thinking and Interaction With Your Child at Home***

**For Parents Only**

***Content:***

This series of **seven** workshops is designed for parents only. We will be examining how children learn to be flexible in their ability to think and to communicate, and the impact of disability on this natural process and on family life. Small changes in the caregiver’s approach to the child can have a big impact on the child’s thinking processes; in each session there will be opportunity for discussion, practice, and a small homework assignment will help you to integrate the ideas once you get home to your child.

The information provided in each session builds upon previous sessions, so please plan to attend the entire series.

***Participants:***

The series is open to any interested parents, regardless of the diagnosis or ability level of their child. At the completion of the series, parents of children who are essentially non-speaking may apply for a more intensive guiding program with one of our RDI® consultants.

***Cost:*** $25 per person, includes all seven sessions

***Location:*** Star Room,2nd Floor*,* SSCY Centre 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (Telehealth Option available)

***Parking:*** During evening classes, parents are invited to park in marked *parent parking* stalls which are free

***Presented by***: Lianne Belton, Occupational Therapist, RDI® Program Certified Consultant

Stephannie Motuz, MSc. SLP CCC-(C), RDI® Program Certified Consultant

***Dates:***

***Fall Sessions:*** Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 pm from September 13th to October 25th, 2016

Thursday evenings, 6:00 to 8:00 pm from October 20th to December 1st 2016

***Winter Session:***  Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 pm from February 7th to March 21st, 2017.

***Spring Session:*** Thursday mornings 10:30 am to 12:00 pm, April 6th to May 18th, 2017

Thursday evenings, 6:00 to 8:00 pm from April 20th to June 1st, 2017

***Guiding******Language Development***

For Professionals Only

***Content:***

This **full day** presentation uncovers some of the thinking processes children use when developing typical language. Participants will be guided through clinical reasoning on how to prepare for meaningful learning sessions for children whose tested language age ranges from 12 months through to 5 years developmentally with a variety of learning obstacles. Attendees will be reminded of the different uses of picture based support materials including memory, expression & comprehension support through to aided language stimulation. Time will be allotted to thoughtfully plan a language learning activity and material set for a non-speaking or PDD/ASD child on the team’s caseload using a theme approach. The session will conclude with a review of demonstration and loan materials and participants will be given the opportunity to photograph and/or borrow some of the materials.

***Participants:***Speech-language pathologists, classroom teachers, resource teachers and occupational therapists who work with students who require pictured language learning support. Speech and Language assistants are welcome under the supervision of their clinical lead. It is recommended that you come with a team member if possible.

***Preparation:***Teams should consider bringing a target child’s language goals for the planning portion of the session, and a digital camera should you want to remember samples offered during the materials review.

***Cost:*** $30.00 (full day)

***Location:*** Meeting Rooms,SSCY Centre 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (Telehealth Option available)

***Presented by:***Stephannie Motuz, MSc. SLP CCC-(C), RDI® Program Certified Consultant

**Date:** October 26th, 2016

***Challenging Behavior – Moving Beyond the Crisis***

***Content:*** In this **HALF DAY** session***,*** participants will come to appreciate children’s challenging behavior in a new way. Participants will come away with a framework of analysis and a way to make decisions about change. We will review the concepts of compensation, accommodation and remediation strategies. And we will take a closer look at the developmental foundations that underlie our children’s ability to regulate their emotions, their actions and their motivations.

***Participants:*** This workshop is intended for educators, school teams, OT/PT/SLP and family members.

***Dates:*** October 5th, 2016 (Half Day 9:am to 12 noon) Northern Lights Room, 2nd Floor, SSCY

November 2nd, 2016 (Half Day 9:am to 12 noon) Star Room,2nd Floor, SSCY

January 18th, 2017 (Half Day 9:am to 12 noon) Star Room,2nd Floor, SSCY

February 22nd, 2017 (Half Day 9:am to 12 noon) Star Room,2nd Floor, SSCY

***Cost:*** $20

***Location***: Second Floor,SSCY Centre, 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (Telehealth Option available)

***Presented by***: Stephannie Motuz, MSc. SLP CCC-(C), RDI® Program Certified Consultant

***Taking a Developmental Approach to Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder***

**This two-day workshop series** is presented by the Relate Program of the Rehabilitation Centre for Children, and is based on Relationship Development Intervention™. The focus is on helping children with ASD and related disorders to become more flexible in their ability to think, to learn and to communicate.

**Day One** probes the underlying issues. We introduce the concept of *dynamic intelligence*, the ability to think flexibly and solve problems in real life situations. We will also explore the concept of *guided participation*, a natural, time proven method of engaging and promoting growth with children.

**Day Two** introduces the essentials of guided participation and how the guiding relationship between adult and child can be restored. Topics covered include setting up active partnerships, programming in the zone of proximal development, becoming aware of our guiding actions, modifying the guide’s communication style and creating positive memories of learning.

***Participants:*** These workshops are intended for professionals, educators and their teams and family members.

***Cost:*** $60 (Covers both days)

***Location***:            Northern Lights Room

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*Telehealth Access available upon request*

***Presented by***:    Lianne Belton, Occupational Therapist, RDI™ Program Consultant

***Dates:*** September 29th and October 6th, 20169:00am to 3:30pm

February 9th and February 16th ,  20179:00am to 3:30pm

***Elements of Remediation in Social Thinking and Behavior***

*for Children with ASD or Global Developmental Delay*

**This two-day professional workshop series** is presented by the Relate Program of the Rehabilitation Centre for Children, and is based on Relationship Development Intervention™. The focus is on guiding technique and remediation targets for children with ASD and or Global Developmental Delay and related disorders to become more flexible in their ability to think, to learn and to communicate.

**Day 1: *Accommodations***

**Day one** engages the participant to explore scaffolding philosophy and ideas for the reluctant student. Participants will be given time to practice interaction techniques aimed at nudging their student into the learning zone while accommodating their student’s current socio-cognitive & emotional performance. The emphasis will be on guiding techniques rather than physical or material supports - because its’ people that help people.

**Day 2: *Foundations in Thinking***

**Day two** introduces the participant to early developing (foundational) thinking processes that enable us to learn from experience and engage productively in social situations. Also under consideration is the impact these foundations have on behavior and language development. Professionals will be offered a subjective or qualitative means to identify and evaluate these thinking foundations within functional and social situations. Participants will be oriented to the many ways children learn these thinking foundations. Using a philosophy of ***remediation***, professionals will be encouraged to put processing goals & objectives in place for their students who experience sever learning challenges. It is the aim of this session to give professionals the confidence and opportunity to brainstorm with their peers to generate learning opportunities that are “just right”. Methods to evaluate and experiment with their attempts will be shared. The presenter’s personal experience with these strategies and techniques will also be shared and enhanced through video.

***Participants:*** This workshop is intended for educators, school teams and pediatric OT/PT/SLP therapists

***Preparation:*** Participants in teams may consider bringing several 1 minute video clips of their student(s) at work or play with another student or their educational assistant or parent. These videos WILL NOT be viewed by the group at large nor the presenter. They are intended to help your team focus and apply the ideas presented and plan. Please seek the appropriate parent permission to video record and review as outlined by your employing agency.

***Fall Dates:*** November 22nd & 23rd, 2016 (Full Days 9am to 3:30)

***Location***: Star (Day 1)/Northern Lights (Day 2) room Second Floor, SSCY Centre, 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg (Telehealth Option available)

***Spring Dates:*** March 7th & 8th, 2017 (Full Days 9am to 3:30)

***Location***: Northern Lights room Second Floor, SSCY Centre, 1155 Notre Dame Ave. Winnipeg

(Telehealth Option available)

***Cost:*** $60 (covers both days)

***Presented by***: Stephannie Motuz, MSc. SLP CCC-(C), RDI® Program Certified Consultant

***Writing Social Stories***

This practical, **half day** workshop will equip participants with the essentials of planning, writing and implementing social stories. A social story can be used to:

* Help a child know how to behave or react to situations that are difficult for them to understand,
* Teach new routines,
* Provide comfort and re-assurance around difficult situations.

Learn to write social stories and add a powerful strategy to your toolbox....

***Participants:***      This workshop is intended for educators, school teams, OT/PT/SLP and family members.

***Date:***                 January 19th, 9:00am to noon

***Cost:*** $20.00 (Half Day)

***Location:***             Star Room

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*Telehealth Access available upon request*

***Presented by***:    Lianne Belton, Occupational Therapist, RDI™ Program Consultant

***Proloquo2go Version 4.+***

***Content:*** You will learn about Proloquo2go’s unique features including the pre-made vocabulary called Crescendo, premade templates that control where buttons show up for ease of learning and motor-planning . But most importantly, you will learn how to customize the system for your user using VocaPriority and voice and pronunciation settings. You will also learn how to protect your work from being lost. *Please Note: This workshop is not designed for those interested in learning earlier versions of Proloquo2go.*

***Participants*:** Family members, Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Educational Assistants, Resource Teachers, Teachers or anyone who will be responsible for updating and customizing the user’s AAC communication system. Volunteers and technical support staff are welcome too.

***Preparation:*** This is a “hands on” workshop; you will need to bring along your updated IPad with the latest version of Proloquo2go (V4.2+) to use as you learn. Please make sure you are comfortable and proficient working on an IPad using its’ ios operating system and that you have all of your device’s and apps security codes with you in order to access the controls. Please make sure your device is fully charged.

***Cost:* $30** (Full Day)

***Location:*** Computer Lab

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*Telehealth Access available upon request*

***Presented by*:** Marjorie Guertin, Assistive Technology Assistant

***Dates: October 21st, 2016 or April 5th, 2017***

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**Workshop Registration Information**

Please fill out the attached registration form along with a check made payable to **the Rehab Centre for Children**, and return to: Attention: Yvonne Kash

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* Receipts and certificates of participation will be issued on the day of the workshop.
* Workshop fees are transferable but **non-refundable**.
* Sessions may be cancelled 5 days in advance due to low registration. In this event, a full refund will be processed.
* If the workshop you are interested is full, you will be contacted and informed of upcoming available dates.
* You are welcome to enquire about having these workshops presented to large groups at your facility.
* All inquiries may be directed to Yvonne Kash, administrative assistant, at 204-258 -6500, or yvonnek@rccinc.ca

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