University of Wyoming Division of Communication Disorders  
13th Annual Barbara Kahn Summer Speaker

Assessing & Treating Childhood Apraxia of Speech & Severe Speech Sound Disorders

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Course Description: Children with childhood apraxia of speech (CAS) and severe speech sound disorders (SSDs) can present substantial challenges for the SLP. However, there are ways to increase effectiveness in assessing and treating the speech of these children. To do so, this workshop will expand on the understanding of speech development, integrating motor, somatosensory, auditory, linguistic and socio-cultural information. A thorough assessment protocol for differentiating CAS from non-CAS SSDs and aiding in intervention planning will be provided. Current evidence-based models that are effective in treating CAS and motor-based speech sound disorders will be presented, as well as ways to adapt treatment for the needs of individual children. We will explore motor learning principles as a foundation for treating motor-based. Information on assessing and treating bilingual children with CAS and non-CAS severe speech sound disorders will be provided.