



2019 National Conference

on Childhood Apraxia of Speech

Sheraton Hotel at Station Square
300 W. Station Square Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15219

◆ Key Presentation Dates: ◆

Presentation Submissions Due: January 18, 2019

Acceptance Notification: March 1, 2019

Presentations Due: June 14, 2019

Handouts Due: June 28, 2019

Apraxia Kids is pleased to share our application to present at the 2019 National Conference scheduled for July 11 - 13, 2019 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This conference (our typical demographic is 50% professionals and 50% parent/caregivers) promises to bring a sizable gathering of almost 450 families and professionals together.

As the nonprofit leader on childhood apraxia of speech, our mission is to strengthen the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia, so that each child is afforded his/her best opportunity to develop optimal communication skills. It is for this purpose that we meet for our annual conference. This conference serves a broad array of learner needs, from new or inexperienced SLPs and families, to seasoned/advanced SLPs as well as parents of older children who have been on the apraxia journey for some time.

We encourage submissions to meet the needs of a specific target group. Submissions should ideally include "how to" and "hands on" strategies and evidence-based research as often as possible, addressing a full range of issues. Apraxia Kids encourages collaboration between speakers in the development of presentations (i.e. co-presenters or small panels). For this conference, we will be offering options for different session lengths, so please carefully consider what might work best for your proposal.

◆ Topics of Potential Interest: ◆

Advanced topics: Challenging diagnostic/treatment cases; contrasting speech therapy methods; therapy strategies for vowel and prosody modification; research updates.

Therapy topics: Evaluating progress; novel speech therapy approaches; case studies; residual speech issues; home practice.

Interpersonal/Social/Emotional Issues: Social skill challenges; friendship building, dealing with classmates, difficult behaviors.

Education topics: Developing goals and IEPs; advocacy, legal issues and special education; school placement options.

Academic topics: Literacy issues; assistive technology; executive function; language processing deficits; retention.

Other topics: Co-occurring autism or other complex diagnoses; sensory issues; global apraxia; genetics; early intervention.

- *Topics not on the list will also be considered.*
- *ASHA CEUs will be offered for this conference.*

The Conference Committee will review, evaluate and select proposals using the following criteria:

- Originality and relevance of topic
- Overall quality of proposal content, delivery method, and proposed format.
- Alignment of learning objectives with presentation overview.
- Qualifications, expertise and experience level of presenter(s).
- Practical application of education, skills and resources



	2019 National Conference Presentation Application	
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Name of Presenter: _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Presenters Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Reference: Give the name of a person who can recommend you as a presenter:

Name: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Past presentation being referenced: _____

My signature below signifies that I have read Apraxia Kids information for Call for Papers. I understand that if my presentation is selected, that I will not be paid for my presentation that I am responsible for my own travel and lodging expenses. I understand that my handouts must be submitted by June 3, 2019. I understand that I must register for the conference at the reduced registration rates by June 14, 2019. I further understand that I will be photographed as part of the conference and that such photos will be used by Apraxia Kids for information and/or promotional purposes.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Co-Presenter (if applicable): _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Presenters Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Target audience (please select a level for each group):

SLP:

Beginner

Intermediate

Advanced

Family:

Beginner

Intermediate

Advanced

Please List your preference for availability (1st, 2nd, 3rd):

Thursday July 11, 2019

Friday July 12, 2019

Saturday July 13, 2019

Please list your preference for length of session:

1 ½ hours

2 hours

2 ½ hours

	<u>Submission Instructions</u>	
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Please send pages 2 & 3 of this form along with the typed description of your presentation by **January 18, 2018** to Chrissy Welsh at christinaw@apraxia-kids.org. Applicants will be notified of acceptance status by March 1, 2019 by email.

Please be sure to include the following in your submission:

- ✓ Name of Presenter (and co-presenter if applicable)
- ✓ Title of your presentation and abstract of no more than 250 words.
- ✓ Two – three learning outcomes that your audience will take away from your presentation.
- ✓ Strategies you will use to deliver your presentation.
- ✓ References used in your presentation.
- ✓ Your experience as a presenter/current resume.
- ✓ Biography for use in conference brochure should your lecture be selected – 700 words (characters with spaces).

	Conflict of Interest Statement	
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Presenter: I recognize that I must follow the guidelines regarding vested interest. Any real or perceived conflict of interest must be disclosed. For the purpose of the 2019 National Conference on CAS, a real or apparent conflict of interest is defined as having significant interest in a product to be discussed directly or indirectly during the presentation or being or having been an employee of a company with such an interest.

I acknowledge the requirement that educational programming provide fair, full disclosure in order to allow participants to formulate their own informed opinions.

Conflicts of interest:

_____ I have no real or perceived conflicts of interest that relate to this presentation.

_____ I have the following real or perceived conflict of interest that relates to this presentation

Please note: If you have a real or perceived conflict of interest related to this presentation, this should be stated on the first slide of your presentation.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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	Speaker Benefits, Terms and Conditions	
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Apraxia Kids appreciates your willingness to share your expertise by presenting at the 2019 National Conference on CAS. The following terms and conditions delineate expectations and requirements of both presenters and Apraxia Kids for the 2019 National Conference on CAS.

- Presenters will be required to register, at no cost, for the conference by June 14, 2019. Registration will include admission to both days of the Conference, including continental breakfast and lunch on both days of the Conference, and the Keynote Opening Address.
- Apraxia Kids will arrange for a microphone, podium, screen, and LCD projector for all workshop sessions.
- Apraxia Kids does not pay speaker honoraria.
- Proposals must be submitted to Apraxia Kids by January 18, 2019. Submissions that do not follow the format will not be considered. Proposals will be acknowledged by email as received. Submissions will only be accepted by email directed to christinaw@apraxia-kids.org. Notification of selected workshops will be sent by email by March 1, 2019. All questions should be directed to christinaw@apraxia-kids.org or 412-785-7060.
- Presentations will be selected to provide a balanced program content to meet the current needs, interests and representation of our conference participants. Serious consideration will be given to all proposals concerning issues relating to childhood apraxia of speech, especially those listed among the topics identified as high interest on the front page of this packet. Apraxia Kids reserves the right to edit workshop titles and descriptions for brevity, clarity and consistency.
- Should your workshop be selected for this Conference you explicitly give your permission to Apraxia Kids and the Apraxia Kids Website to use and distribute (including but not limited to use in newsletters, appeals, web pages, and publications) at their discretion, any photographs or videotapes taken at the 2019 National Conference on Childhood Apraxia of Speech events in which you or a minor member of your family may be a part.
- Apraxia Kids policy is that our Conference Program must provide fair, full disclosure and balance to all aspects of a topic being presented. Presentations should not include promotional influence, endorsement, commercialism, and/or selling. If therapeutic options are not validated by peer reviewed research, this fact should be acknowledged in the presentation. Additionally, speakers are required to complete the conflict of interest attachment and submit with their presentation. Additional options for promotion of products or services are available as a sponsor, or exhibitor during the entire Conference. Please contact us for more information.