North Dakota Department of Public Instruction
Office of Special Education

Seminar for Speech-Language Pathologists in ND Public Schools

Supervision for the School-Based Speech-Language Pathologist

This course will provide the school-based speech-language pathologist (SLP) with the necessary skills and tools to appropriately supervise speech-language pathology assistants, SLP graduate students or SLPs in their first year of work, and SLPs in their clinical fellowship year.

There has been a steady increase in the use of SLPAs in the public schools. This has required many practicing SLPs to assume new supervisory responsibilities. Supervision requires regular interactions between supervisors and supervisees. The supervising SLP will perform such duties as developing work plans, outlining supervision schedules, defining and communicating job responsibilities, evaluating performance, counseling and coaching for improved performance, and providing formative feedback. The skills required to accomplish these tasks appropriately are not necessarily instinctive. It is for this reason that NDDPI is offering this course.

Mary Jo Schill, M.A., CCC-SLP
Mary Jo Schill is a Clinical Assistant Professor and Director of Clinical Education and Practicum in the Communication Sciences and Disorders Department at the University of North Dakota. She is a Fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and belongs to the ASHA Special Interest Division 11: Administration and Supervision. Ms. Schill has served on numerous committees and boards for ASHA and is currently serving on the Committee for Nominations and Election and the ad hoc committee to develop the Scope of Practice for SLPAs. She has taught graduate courses in supervision at UND, been a clinical supervisor for 35 years, and has presented and published on supervisory issues and practices. Ms. Schill chaired the North Dakota Speech, Language, and Hearing Association's Task Force on Speech-Language Pathology Assistants for 4 years, and also is a member of the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction Task Force on Speech-Language Pathology.

Joann Horner Ross, M.S., CCC-SLP
JoAnn is a licensed, certified speech language pathologist who has worked in the ND public schools for over 30 years. She developed a private practice in 1981 (Speech and Communication Services) while providing consultation and in-service in the area of autism. She served as member of the original task force in the development of the SLPA (paraprofessional) program in North Dakota; and has taught the SLPA Techniques in Public Schools (CD224) for the online SLPA programs at Williston State College and Lake Region State College for 3 years. Ms. Ross served on the ASHA SLPA committee in January of 2008 and is a member of the ND Department of Public Instruction Task Force on Speech-Language Pathology Assistants. JoAnn has supervised SLPA within the WilMac Special Education Unit, and currently supervises an SLPA in Montana. Throughout her career, she has had the opportunity to supervise many SLP graduate students, and SLPs in their clinical fellowship year (CFY).

Course Description and Learner Outcomes
This course will present information about supervision practices in speech-language pathology. The participant will:
1. Understand the historical and theoretical basis of supervision practice in the profession of speech-language pathology;
2. Interpret and apply relevant regulatory information regarding supervision practice;
3. Earn and apply ethical decision-making strategies to supervision practice;
4. Understand current best practice guidelines related to supervision of speech-language pathology aides and assistants, graduate students in training, related professionals, and other speech-language pathologists; and

5. Learn and apply the knowledge and skills needed to engage in effective supervision including training, scheduling, documentation, evaluation, and self-assessment, and understand the future challenges and issues related to supervision and service delivery in speech-language pathology.

**Dates**
June 06-07, 2012

**Location**
Best Western Ramkota
800 S 3rd Street
Bismarck, ND 58503
Phone: (701) 258-7700

**Times**
Wednesday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Thursday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Fees**
Registration fee: No registration fee
Graduate Credit: $50 for 1 credit (See #3 below)

**Lodging**
A block of rooms has been reserved at the Best Western Ramkota under “NDDPI Special Education.” The Best Western Ramkota is located across the street from Kirkwood Mall. These rooms are for a rate at $89.00 with a release date of May 7th, 2012 at 4:00pm.

**RETURN COMPLETED REGISTRATION INFORMATION BY MAY 15, 2012 TO:**
Email: moconnor@nd.gov
Mail: ND Department of Public Instruction
Office of Special Education
600 East Boulevard Ave
Bismarck, ND 58505-0440
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**Registration**

Name______________________________________________
Address_____________________________________________
Phone________________________ Email____________________

**PLEASE NOTE:**
1. You are responsible for making your own lodging arrangements and the associated costs.
2. Water and coffee will be provided.
3. You will receive a confirmation email when you submit your registration with the detailed information and the link to register for the graduate credit through UND (if interested). This is a separate registration process and will require a $50.00 fee.
4. A request has been made (pending) to the ND Board of Examiners in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology for 15 hours of continuing education. A certificate of attendance will be provided to each individual to verify attendance for this CE activity.