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CONGRATS!

Extending a special congratulations to our newest affiliates for obtaining their BCS!

Jean Hawney, MA, CCC-SLP, CBIS, CLC, BCS-S
Texas Children’s Hospital
Mentored by Laurie Sterling

Laura Sayers, MA, CCC-SLP, BCS-S
University of Michigan
C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital
Mentored by Laura Brooks

Jingyun (Theresa) Yao, SLP.D CCC-SLP, BCS-S
Stanford Health Care

HAPPY NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

This year National Nurses week takes place **May 6th and ends on May 12th**. Nurses are often the first line of defense when it comes to identifying potential dysphagia. A partnership with our nursing teammates improves dysphagia outcomes.

Don’t forget to thank a nurse for being your partner in dysphagia!
AB-SSD SURVEY

AB-SSD is gathering information from SLP clinicians from a variety of settings including clinical, academic, administrative and research. We would like to know more about each setting, in particular from those in academic/research settings who are unable to meet the 100-hour direct patient contact requirement.

Please complete this short survey (shouldn't take more than 2 minutes) to provide us with valuable information to better understand the needs of the dysphagia professional community. This survey is applicable to all dysphagia clinicians, in all settings, who already have BCS-S certification and those who do not.

Again, you do NOT have to currently or previously have held BCS-S to complete survey.

• Providing support for potential cognitive breakdown during PO intake
• Addressing the physical needs for self-feeding and positioning
• Supporting visual neglect and visual spatial issues by addressing food placement, contrasting colors for food and or plate
• Collaborate with dysphagia therapists and or registered dietitians to support obtaining adequate nutrition

How do you collaborate with Occupational Therapy?

APRIL IS OT MONTH

Occupational therapists and SLPs collaborate daily when it comes to dysphagia management. According to the American Occupational Therapy Association the OTs role in dysphagia management involves:

SCAN THE QR CODE TO TAKE THE SURVEY!
AB-SSD AT DYSPHAGIA RESEARCH SOCIETY

The Annual Dysphagia Research Society’s pre-conference and annual meeting were held in San Juan, Puerto Rico this March 12-15, 2024. The AB-SSD was well represented with many members presenting and leading discussion panels. There were almost 400 attendees representing 22 countries from around the world and across many different disciplines (e.g., basic scientists, dietitians, dentists, engineers, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, and pediatric through adult physicians across related specialties. We would like to thank Dr. Mark Nicosia, the 2023-2024 president and his conference co-chair, Dr. Samantha Shune, for hosting such an incredible meeting that will inevitably advance the practice of dysphagia around the world. Enjoy this photo gallery, highlighting those with their board certification in attendance, moderating, speaking, and dancing!

Read more and see more here.

Our AB-SSD board members present at DRS2024. For full gallery of board members, click here!

The picture at the bottom left is Zuleikha Wadhwaniya and Karen Sheffler. Pictured above with the fan is Maria Centeno Vázquez.
DR. ADRIENNE PERLMAN RECEIVES THE 2024 DRS GOLD MEDAL AWARD

Congratulations Adrienne Perlman for being this year’s Gold Medal Winner at the Dysphagia Research Society’s Annual Meeting. Her experience spans the many potential roles of an SLP from clinical practice, to research, teaching. Dr. Adrienne Perlman was an inaugural or founding member of the American Board of Swallowing and Swallowing Disorders (AB-SSD). She later took on the role president of AB-SSD and then later the Dysphagia Research Society. She is a leader in the field having published over 64 papers on dysphagia. We are so grateful for you, Dr. Adrienne Perlman, and for all your contributions to the field of dysphagia. Read more here.

About Adrienne L. Perlman

- BS from University of Iowa (1963)
- MS from University of Northern Iowa (1976)
- PhD from University of Iowa (1995)
- Founding member of AB-SSD
- First systematic efforts to study swallowing breathing conditions
- Pioneer work in telemedicine for dysphagia
AB-SSD SUMMER SERIES ARE BACK!

Last year’s summer series was a HUGE success. It back again this year. We will be hosting both an adult and pediatric track for CEUs. More information to come. Below are some details.

Dates: Recorded sessions will be available in June 2024

Live Q&A Dates:

Live Q&A for Adult Summer Series is July 11th, 2024 at 7 P.M. Central Time
Live Q&A for Pediatric Summer Series is July 18th, 2024 at 7 P.M. Central Time

Click the graphics below to read more about each event and the details of each speaker and the specific case studies that they will be bringing to the table during the 2024 Summer Series!

Registration will be opening soon so make sure you watch for it, you do not want to miss this amazing learning opportunity with AB-SSD
OTHER AB-SSD ON-DEMAND CE COURSES

**How They Do It:**
Experiences of Dysphagia Clinicians and Researchers in Leadership Roles

**Pediatric Summer Series 2024**
This year our Dysphagia Summer Series will take a case-based learning approach and will highlight feeding-swallowing challenges encountered in various workplace settings such as home health, acute inpatient, add more! Please join us to learn from these outstanding speech pathologists!

**Feeding-Swallowing Management in Outpatient Clinic**
Dr. Elylyn Moosmann, CCC-SLP
University of Minnesota

**Feeding-Swallowing Management via Teletherapy**
Dr. Jeanne Marshwell, LAMP, Dr. Maddie Bailt
University of Queensland

**Feeding-Swallowing Management Acute Inpatient**
Shyamala Harenrot M.S., CCC-SLP, BC-S-S
Children's Hospital Colorado

**Feeding-Swallowing Management Home Health**
Leandra O'Donnell M.A., CCC-SLP
Cincinnati Children's

**Live Q&A**
July 18th
7:00 PM CST

**Did You Miss Meet the Masters 2023?**
Artificial Intelligence and Computational Deglutology:
State of the Science and Dreams for the Future of Swallowing

**Recording Available for Free**
Go to: www.SwallowingDisorders.org —> Continuing Education tab —> Bracco CE

**Feeling the Pressure?**
Swallowing is a pressure driven event. Manometry can capture pressure information & complement imaging, such as fluoroscopy & endoscopy.

**High Resolution Pharyngeal Manometry: The Physiology and the Data**
On-Demand - AVAILABLE NOW

Corinne Jones, PhD, CCC-SLP & Timothy McElloch, MD, FACS

Learning Objectives:
- Describe physiology underlying high-resolution pharyngeal manometry (HiPM)
- Discuss HiPM and its use in clinical practice
- Discuss normal and abnormal findings
- Discuss new directions in research and application in clinical settings

**Fundamentals of Breastfeeding: What Every Speech Pathologist Should Know**

Amber Valentine Forston, M.S., CCC-SLP, BC-S, IBCLC

Course Info:
This course will discuss the speech-language pathologist role in breastfeeding and highlight the science and art of breastfeeding, milk production (lactogenesis), and positioning techniques. It will also examine challenges that can occur during breastfeeding of both term and infant.
NEWS FROM BRACCO

For 20 years, Bracco Diagnostics Inc. has been proud to support “Meet the Masters” via an unrestricted educational grant. This educational event, taking place on the evening before the start of the ASHA Convention, has featured many distinguished leaders in our field presenting cutting edge topics in swallowing. This year, we are thrilled that this event will be expanded to include an ADDITIONAL offering, a separate workshop specifically for students and early career clinicians that will also feature an illustrious panel with a focus on advocating for best practice in swallowing. This workshop will offer opportunities for breakout round tables and role play, giving participants a real chance to sharpen their skills with expert guidance. The traditional panel lecture will still take place as well, with luminaries in our field of offering a view into the horizon of swallow practice. We are also so pleased that this event has been renamed to “The Swallow Symposium: Advocating and Innovating” to better reflect this expanded event. This event will be complimentary, as always, and a “can’t miss” for anyone practicing in swallowing and swallowing disorders! Information on how to register will be available soon, stay tuned... and please note that this event is separate from the ASHA convention, and attendees do NOT have to be registered to attend the convention in order to register for one or both of these events.

MENTOR NEWSLETTER

Take a moment to go access more up to date information about AB-SSD and keep yourself ready for news with proteges, mentoring, and other resources that can ensure to ease your process as a mentor. Click here to access it!

Questions? Feel free to reach out to our administration office at info@swallowingdisorder.org or to call us at (920) 560-5625