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Welcome to our newest Board Certified Specialists in Swallowing & Swallowing Disorders!

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Many thanks to all the mentors that helped our newest affiliates successfully complete this competitive process!

2017 ASHA Convention, November 9-11 Focus on the Big Picture

See below for opportunities to meet and greet other BCS-S colleagues face to face during the ASHA Annual Convention in Los Angeles, CA November 9-11.

Celebrations of BCS-S Affiliates' Achievements

Some of our esteemed colleagues with Board Certification in Swallowing and Swallowing Disorders will be honored at this year's ASHA Convention. Please plan to attend the **ASHA Awards Ceremony** on Friday 11/10/17 from 6:15 - 8:00 p.m. in the LA Convention Center, South Hall G to cheer on our colleagues!

Fellowship of the Association

Lisa N. Kelchner, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-S
Debra M. Suiter, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-S

Help spread the word about Specialty Board Certification at the ASHA Convention

ASHA is providing a booth in the Exhibit Hall at the 2017 ASHA Convention, so that we can provide information to SLPs and AuDs who are interested in becoming certified specialists. The booth number is 1449. The booth needs at least one person to staff the booth while the Exhibit Hall is open. We hope that all specialists attending ASHA will be able to volunteer by signing up for one or two hours. If you haven't already done so, please consider teaming with your colleague(s) and registering for a time slot or two! Thanks in advance for helping to spread the word about board certification! See you at **Booth 1449** (one aisle over from the ASHA Store and close to the Certification Lounge)!!

Please [click here](#) to indicate your availability!

Wednesday 11/08:

ABSSD Sponsored Pre-Convention Short Course:

IDDSI- The Next Steps: Tools & Tips for a Smooth Implementation

Presenters: Peter Lam, Julie Cichero, **Catriona Steele, Luis Riquelme, Joseph Murray**, and Ben Hanson

Location: LA Convention Center, Room 403:B (Lvl 2), A ticket is required for this workshop

Time 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Session Code: PC01

Thursday 11/09:

Joint Business Meeting: AB-SSD w/ SIG 13

Location: JW Marriott, Room: Plaza 1-2

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

*AB-SSD Sponsored 1-Hour Session: Soy Lattes, Haggis & Mofongo:
Exploring Culture in Dysphagia Management*

Presenters: **Luis Riquelme** and Paula Leslie

Location: LA Convention Center, Room: 304ABC (Lvl 2)

Time: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Session Code: 1390

Friday 11/10:

*SIG 13 Sponsored Short Course: Mechanical Ventilation & its
Aftermath: Assessing Oral Feeding Safety in Patients Receiving
Respiratory Support*

Presenters: **James Coyle**, Dana Novotny, Martin Brodsky, and

Emily Mayfield

Location: Marriott, Georgia 1/2, A ticket is required for this workshop

Time: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Session Code: SC13

*SIG-13 Sponsored 1-Hour Session: A Clinical Primer of High
Resolution Pharyngeal Manometry Applications for the Diagnosis and
Management of Dysphagia*

Presenters: Kate Humphries and Ashli O'Rourke

Location: LA Convention Center 515A (Lvl 2)

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Session Code: 1512

Names in **bold** indicate BCS-S affiliates.

Got CEUs?

Can't make it to the ASHA annual convention this year? Still need CEUs? Don't forget there are many quality continuing education programs available at a reasonable cost via the American Board of Swallowing and Swallowing Disorders website. Visit the [website](#) for a complete listing of continuing education offerings.

Mentoring Message

ASHA convention activities typically result in a significant increase in the requests for mentorship through the BCS-S process. Please email info@swallowingdisorders.org you would like to volunteer as a mentor.

Thank you to all of our mentors for your continued dedication to the success of all the applicants!

**Looking forward to seeing you in Los Angeles
at the ASHA Convention!**

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