



NSHA Annual Convention Registration Form – April 20-22, 2018

Pennington Health Sciences Building – University of Nevada, Reno – 1664 N. Virginia Street, Reno, NV 89557

Registrant Information

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Payment: please pay online, or with a check. Make checks payable to Nevada Speech-Language and Hearing Association (NSHA). Send all payments to: NSHA, 4765 Pinesprings Dr. Reno, NV 89509. Contact NSHA with any questions: info@nvsha.org

Convention Pricing:

- **NSHA Members (Early Bird Pricing)**
 - 1-Day (either Saturday or Sunday): \$125
 - 2-Days (both Saturday and Sunday): \$250
 - 3-Days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday): \$275
- **NSHA Members (Regular Pricing after 3/20/18)**
 - 1-Day (either Saturday or Sunday): \$150
 - 2-Days (both Saturday and Sunday): \$275
 - 3-Days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday): \$300
- **Non-NSHA Members (Early Bird Pricing)**
 - 1-Day (either Saturday or Sunday): \$150
 - 2-Days (both Saturday and Sunday): \$275
 - 3-Days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday): \$300
- **Non-NSHA Members (Regular Pricing after 3/20/18)**
 - 1-Day (either Saturday or Sunday): \$175
 - 2-Days (both Saturday and Sunday): \$300
 - 3-Days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday): \$325

<u>Saturday 4/21 Track Choice (circle one):</u>	
Track A	Track B
<u>Sunday 4/22 Track Choice (circle one):</u>	
Track A	Track B

The Convention will be held at the Pennington Health Sciences Building on the campus of the University of Nevada, Reno. Light refreshments provided on Friday night. Continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks provided Saturday and Sunday.



Friday, April 20, 2018 - 5:00 PM-8:00 PM

Keynote Address – Mel Cohen, CCC-SLP – ASHA Board of Directors, Vice President for Finance

Mel Cohen's health care career includes 15 years as associate professor and clinical department director in speech-language pathology at Loma Linda University and Medical Center and 10 years in clinical and financial management positions with the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. His background includes a PhD in speech pathology and audiology, a BBA in accounting, and an MBA in finance.

From 1995 to 2014, he was a speaker/trainer with the Healthcare Financial Management Association, writing and presenting seminars for its members and on-site hospital clients; he has developed self-study courses for health care professionals who are transitioning from clinical positions to management responsibilities.

Today, Dr. Cohen is president of Healthcare Management Workshops, an in-service training and virtual consulting firm whose clients include health care organizations nationwide. He specializes in departmental budgeting for nonfinancial health care professionals.

Research Poster Sessions – UNR Speech Pathology Graduate Students

The candidates for Master's Degrees in Speech Pathology from UNR present the latest research across ASHA's Big 9 disorder areas. They are prepared to present their findings to the professionals and build a network of relationships with their future colleagues.

Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

Track A – Language Acquisition through Motor Planning (LAMP) for Augmentative and Alternative Communication – Amy Bereiter, MS, CCC-SLP, ATP

Amy Bereiter received her Bachelor's degree in Communication Disorders from the University of Kentucky and her Master's Degree in Speech-Language Pathology from the University of Redlands. She has been a speech-language pathologist since 2004, working with toddlers through young adults, and has worked in a wide range of settings including in-home early intervention, early childhood special education, elementary self-contained programs, pediatric rehabilitation units, university clinic and private practice. In addition, she has developed AAC evaluation teams at several sites. Prior to relocating to Virginia in 2015, Amy was a full-time Clinical Assistant Professor in the speech-language pathology graduate program at Northern Illinois University. Currently, she is a full-time SLP at a LAMP Center of Excellence in Northern Virginia.

Amy specializes in Augmentative/Alternative Communication (AAC) and working with children who exhibit complex communication needs. She has worked extensively with occupational therapists and other related professionals to best understand and treat children with sensory processing disorder, visual impairments and motor impairments. She works closely with families to educate, train and support implementation of AAC in the home environment, and has led support groups for parents of AAC users. She also collaborates with and trains school teams in regards to language development and implementation of AAC in the educational setting. She has experience presenting locally and regionally to SLPs, teachers and assistants, occupational therapists and other assistive technology professionals. She also co-developed and taught a graduate course on AAC, and has guest-lectured in undergraduate and graduate level courses on numerous occasions. Amy is an active member of the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA). Her involvement with ASHA includes serving on its Special Interest Group 12 (AAC) Professional Development Committee.



Track B – Cognitive Rehabilitation – Tracy Grammer, MS, CCC-SLP, ASHA Fellow

Tracy Lynn Grammer, MS, CCC-SLP, ASHA Fellow, is a speech language pathologist with twenty seven years of experience working with adults experiencing a variety of cognitive and communication disorders to include cognitive dysfunction, aphasia, dysarthria, dysphasia and apraxia secondary to cerebral vascular accident, traumatic brain injury, glossectomy, laryngectomy, tracheostomy and ventilator dependency. She is employed as a speech language pathologist for the Department of Otolaryngology at OU Medical Center. She serves on the OU Med. trauma team and is affiliated with the Stephenson Cancer Center. Ms. Grammer is a faculty member of the OUHSC College of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology and the OUHSC Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. Ms. Grammer is a frequently invited lecturer on the topics of traumatic brain injury, dysphagia, voice restoration following total laryngectomy, cognition, as well as speech and swallowing in tracheostomy and ventilator dependency. She serves as the 2015 - 2018 Oklahoma SLP Advisory Councilor to the American Speech Language Hearing Association. She served on the Oklahoma Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology from August 2009 until August 2015, sitting as Chair from 2011 until 2015. Ms. Grammer served five years as the president of the Brain Injury Association of Oklahoma, 2005 – 2008 Oklahoma Legislative Councilor to the American Speech Language Hearing Association. Ms. Grammer is a past president of the Oklahoma Academy of Medical Speech Language Pathologists and a two time past president of the Oklahoma Speech Language Hearing Association. She is the Director and founder of Camp Sunrise, an outdoor retreat for adult survivors of traumatic brain injury, which began in 2000. Ms. Grammer was awarded Fellowship of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association in 2014, the 2012 OU Medical Trauma Angel Award, the 2010 Honors of the Association for the Oklahoma Speech Language Hearing Association, the 2005 and 2007 HCA Frist Humanitarian Awards as well as the 2001 Gwen Casey Award for Outstanding Clinical Service by the Oklahoma Speech Language Hearing Association. She holds a Master of Science degree in Speech Pathology from Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Oklahoma University.

Sunday, April 22, 2018 - 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Track A – Social Thinking – Zones of Regulation – Elizabeth Sautter, MA, CCC-SLP

Elizabeth Sautter, M.A. CCC is a licensed speech and language pathologist and co-director as well as co-founder/owner of Communication Works (CW) (cwtherapy.com). This San Francisco Bay Area private practice offers speech, language, social and self-regulation therapy, consultation, and training. Since 1996, Elizabeth has worked with preschool to adult clients and their families in private practice, schools, and hospitals. Her strong ties to supporting those with social, self-regulation, and executive functioning challenges makes her a wonderful addition to assisting us in the promotion of the Zones.

Track B – Ethics and Leadership in Speech Pathology – Tracy Grammer, MS, CCC-SLP

Tracy is serving as the 2015-2017 ASHA Advisory Councilor from Oklahoma and is a member of the ASHA Board of Ethics.