FAME Academy

Foundation for Action, Motivation and Empowerment

FAME Academy was established under FAME India – a fully philanthropic and not-for-profit organization with a vision to "Train and Empower Stakeholders of the Differently abled"



FAME INDIA, an NGO which offers services ranging from early intervention to Job placement to the inhouse students with special needs and their families as part of the habilitation programme, proposes to conduct a 2 day workshop on "Oral Sensory and Motor Stimulation".

<u>Training Group:</u> Special Educators, Mainstream school teachers, Psychologists, Social Workers, Speech Therapists, Physiotherapists and other Rehabilitation professionals

<u>Goal</u>: The goal of this workshop is to provide a conceptually sound framework of knowledge, skills and attitude for supporting Children with oral and sensory problems in Special School/Inclusive School setups.

Workshop Objectives:

- 1. Identify oral sensory-motor problems that impact feeding, speech, and mouth function in children with autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and other developmental disorders.
- 2. Understand the need for dissociation and grading for feeding and speech
- 3. Apply general oral massage for appropriate populations (e.g., children with oral defensiveness, oral awareness problems, tonic bite, hyper-responsive gag, etc.).
- 4. Apply feeding techniques that can be safely taught to parents and care providers.
- 5. Learn to use Oral Placement Therapy (OPT) techniques as a tactile cueing system in conjunction with traditional speech therapy techniques to improve speech clarity.

Workshop : Oral Sensory and Motor Stimulation

RCI Approved CRE Workshop

12 CRE Points

Dates : March 24th- 25th, 2017

Venue : FAME Academy, Bangalore

156, 36th Cross, 2nd Main, Jayanagar, 7th Block

Time : 10.00 am to 5.00 pm
Workshop Fees : Rs.3, 000 per Participant
Student Registration : Rs.2, 500 per Participant

* Early Bird Offer 10% Discount if Registered before March 10, 2017



Workshop Content

Day 1

- 1. Goals of Oral Sensory and Motor Stimulation
- 2. How is the sensory system related to speech and feeding? The importance of sensory stimulation
- 3. How do motor skills directly impact speech and feeding?
- 4. What is Speech? What are the components and systems involved in speech?
- 5. Importance of the jaw, lips and tongue in speech production, clarity and feeding

Day 2

- 1. Tools and Techniques used for Sensory Stimulation
- 2. Importance of Jaw in speech clarity and feeding, Exercises to strengthen Jaw
- 3. Phonation Activities (Horns and Bubbles)- connection to speech clarity and feeding
- 4. Pre-feeding and Feeding activities. Correct use of Straws, Cup and Spoon for feeding

Resource Persons

Mrs. Shereen Idiculla

Mrs. Shereen Idiculla is a Speech and Language Therapist who has been working for over 12 years with children with special needs. She finished her Bachelors and Masters from the All India Institute of Speech and Hearing in Mysore, worked in Singapore for over 2 years and then started work in Bangalore in 2009. She has worked with Head Start Montessori School, F.A.M.E India and is now the Clinical Director and Trustee of Play Street Specially Abled Educare Trust.

Mrs. Shereen is a Hanen Certified Speech and Language Therapist for the More Than Words® and It Takes Two To Talk® Programs and has been trained on PECS, PROMPT Technique, Brain Gym and Oral Placement Therapy (Levels 1-3). She is currently the only therapist in India who has completed her Level 3 certification training in Oral Placement Therapy.

Mrs. Shereen Idiculla has created an AAC program called the Play Talk Program that is used with the AAC software, Play Talk, developed by Play Street. She has also helped in the development of an online tool called Goal Track to track and measure the progress of clients in various areas of development, making it easier to create assessment reports, individualized education plans and progress reports for any client.

Mrs. Shereen started working on the Oral Placement Therapy Program with children from 2010 and has seen a lot of success in helping children with oral sensory and motor issues get through their food sensitivities, move from being non-verbal to producing sounds, and be able to develop appropriate feeding skills. She encourages parent empowerment and conducts trainings both at her centre as well as online to help parents who are not in Bangalore too. She has already conducted over six Hanen Trainings and is currently conducting an online training and treatment program for parents on Oral Sensory and Motor Stimulation.

Course Coordinator

Mrs. Kalaivani Raipet

Need for the Workshop

This workshop is based on a technique known as Oral Placement Therapy, developed by Sara Rosenfeld-Johnson (owner of Talk Tools®), around 40 years ago. It is an innovative tactile sensory approach where therapy tools are used to train the muscle movements for improved feeding safety and speech clarity. As part of this training, we will talk about how the motor and sensory components of the oral musculature directly impact speech and feeding.

Additionally, participants will learn how developmentally appropriate motor movements for feeding and speech can be therapeutically targeted using highly motivating techniques appropriate for children and adults. Each activity can be implemented easily within the school and/or home environment. OPT is an important addition to traditional speech treatment methods for clients with placement and movement deficits. It is a tactile- proprioceptive teaching technique which accompanies traditional therapy.

Unlike other traditional methods of "Look at me and say what I say", OPT looks at adding the tactile stimuli to teach placement of the oral structures. OPT uses a variety of 'Therapy Tools' like Horns, Bubbles, Straws, Jaw Grading Bite Blocks, Chewy Tubes, ARK Grabbers, etc. in a hierarchical and structured manner to help children improve skill levels by maximizing all the sensory systems.

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