



# Best Practices in Preschool Stuttering

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## Program

### SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2007

8:10-8:30 a.m. Introduction to the Conference

Lisa A. Scott, Ph.D.

Conference Coordinator

The Florida State University

Jane Fraser, President

The Stuttering Foundation

8:30-9:00

Personal Journeys: Working with Preschoolers Who Stutter

Kristin A. Chmela, M.A.

Northwestern University

Barry Guitar, Ph.D.,

University of Vermont

9:00-10:00

Assessing Preschoolers: Best Practices for Diagnosis & Decision-Making

Kristin A. Chmela, M.A., and

Barry Guitar, Ph.D.

10:00-10:15

Break Assessment Continued

10:15-10:45

Guided Practice: Applying Assessment Practices

10:45-11:30

Lunch

11:30-12:30

Large Group Discussion of Assessment Guided Practice

12:30-1:00

Preschool Treatment: Indirect Approaches

2:30-2:45

Break Preschool Treatment: Direct Approaches

2:45-5:00

Kristin A. Chmela, M.A.

5:00

Reception

### SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2007

8:00-8:10

Opening Remarks

Lisa A. Scott, Ph.D.

Approaches to Clinical Problem Solving

Kristin A. Chmela, M.A.,

and Barry Guitar, Ph.D.

9:30-9:45

Break Guided Practice: Applying Problem-Solving Strategies

9:45-10:45

Large Group Discussion of Problem Solving

10:45-11:30

Questions & Answers

## Guided Practice Leaders

Patrice Orosz Carothers, M.S., Shaker Heights, Ohio

Joseph G. Donaher, M.A., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Kevin Eldridge, Ph.D., Woodstock, Illinois

Diane Ganes, M.A., Cincinnati, Ohio

Mary Mantilla, M.A., Long Grove, Illinois

Karen Rizzo, M.A., Cincinnati, Ohio

## Learning Objectives

After this conference, participants will be able to: 1) design preschool stuttering assessments to yield data that can best guide diagnosis and decision-making; 2) decide whether a young child is in the beginning stages of stuttering; 3) prioritize children for treatment; 4) select an appropriate treatment approach (i.e., direct or indirect); and 5) apply problem-solving strategies to modify treatment directions.

## Admission/Registration

Attendance will be limited. Preference will be given to early applicants. **Deadline for application is June 1, 2007.**

## Fee

The \$100.00 registration fee includes a continental breakfast both days and lunch and a social hour on Saturday. The registration fee should accompany the application. Make check payable to "The Stuttering Foundation." Visa, MasterCard, and purchase orders are accepted. (No refund if canceling after June 1, 2007.)

## Housing

Accommodations will be available at the Cincinnati Airport Marriott. Rates are \$99.00 single or double occupancy. Reservations may be made by calling Marriott reservations at 800-228-9290, the hotel (859) 586-0166, or online at www.Marriott.com. Reservations must be made no later than June 1 to take advantage of these rates. Please refer to The Stuttering Foundation when making your reservations.

## Setting

All meetings of the Conference will be held at the Cincinnati Airport Marriott in Hebron, Kentucky. The hotel has a pool, fitness center, and high-speed Internet access.



The Stuttering Foundation of America is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. This program is offered for 1.0 CEUs (Intermediate Level, Professional Area). ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products, or clinical procedures.

## Application

**Professional Experience Summary:** Please provide a brief (no more than one or two paragraphs) description of your professional experience including current work setting/caseload and a statement of why you wish to attend this conference. *If this summary is not enclosed, your application will be returned.*

Send the above summary, the form below, and payment to:

Cincinnati Preschool Conference  
The Stuttering Foundation  
3100 Walnut Grove Road, Suite 603  
P.O. Box 11749  
Memphis, TN 38111-0749

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Conference fee: \$100.00 Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card:  VISA  MasterCard Acct. Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: The Stuttering Foundation. We also welcome purchase orders.



**Barry Guitar, Ph.D.**, is author of a widely-used textbook on stuttering that is now in its third edition. He has also written a practical workbook for use with children who stutter. He has produced numerous films — notably *Stuttering and Your Child: Help for Parents*. He has worked extensively on basic and applied clinical research to improve treatment for those who stutter. For more than 30 years, he has taught at the University of Vermont.



**Kristin A. Chmela, M.A.**, was a school clinician for five years then owned a private practice and consulting firm specializing in working with children who stutter. She has presented numerous workshops on the diagnosis and treatment of childhood stuttering for clinicians working in the school setting. She currently works in a private practice in the Chicago area and is an instructor at Northwestern University.

**Conference Description**

In this day-and-half conference, best practices for assessing and treating preschool children who stutter will be presented by expert clinicians Barry Guitar, Ph.D., and Kristin A. Chmela, M.A. Participants will learn state-of-the-art methods based on the latest research evidence for assessing a child's risk for persistent stuttering, making differential diagnostic decisions, and providing intervention. Specific strategies for problem-solving common treatment barriers will be offered, and guided practice sessions will give participants the opportunity to immediately apply the information learned.



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