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Summary

Experienced, licensed and credentialed speech and language pathologist (SLP)

Experienced and certified listening and spoken language specialist (LSLS)

Experienced and certified Auditory Verbal Educator (AVEd).

Certified Independent Facilitator

Worked for 10 years as an SLP in general special education before becoming a founding member of LACOE's Oral Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) REACH Program in 1998.

Worked at REACH in the Southwest SELPA for 17 years.

Transferred to LACOE's Auditory Oral Program in Downey (Downey Montebello and Mid cities SELPA) in October 2015 to the present to hold a position as Listening Spoken Specialist/ Auditory Verbal Educator. Passionate about keeping up to date regarding state- of -the -art audiological technology and treatments for this population.

Empathetic to parents, providing a safe environment for them to grieve and grow as facilitators of their child's Listening and Spoken Language.

Efficient assessor of students (birth- high school).

Enthusiastic and energetic provider of evidence- based Speech and Language and Listening and Spoken Language intervention.

Experienced self- advocacy communication interventionist for tweens, teens and young adults with Down Syndrome.

Organized team collaborator.

Confident public speaker/ group trainer.

Patient, experienced mentor to SLP CFYs and LSLS mentees.

Other areas of interest include: Communication to facilitate self- advocacy and person-centered planning, visual impairment, brain injury, central auditory processing disorders (CAPD), transgender youth

Skills

Assessment in the areas of listening and spoken language (LSL) including areas of traditional Speech and Language (auditory skills, speech, receptive and expressive language)- informal and formal assessment

Differential diagnosis in various speech and language disorders
 Report writing
 Goal and outcome writing
 Listening and Spoken language therapy techniques
 Active listener to parent's concerns
 Facilitator for parents learning LSL strategies as well as other important knowledge areas relevant to having a child who is deaf or hard of hearing and/ or speech and language delayed
 Team meeting organizer
 Trainer for staff
 Mentor to SLPs in CFY year
 Mentor to professional staff seeking LSLS certification
 Networking with other professionals in the field

Facilitator of parent child communication for self- advocacy and person- centered planning

Experience

Speech Language Pathologist/ Auditory Verbal Educator October 2019- present

Edlogical group

Speech Language Pathologist/ Auditory Verbal Educator August 2019- present

Self employed. President of JessicaBaer SLP, Lomita CA

Speech Language Pathologist/ Auditory Verbal Educator Sep 1998-July 2019
 Los Angeles County Office of Education Downey Montebello SELPA Los Angeles, CA
 Los Angeles County Office of Education SW SELPA Los Angeles, CA

Evaluate DHH oral and Visually impaired infants, toddlers and preschoolers as well as Elementary age students (predominantly), middle and high school students.

Treat DHH oral And Visually impaired infants, toddlers and preschoolers as well as Elementary age students (predominantly), middle and high students.

Parent- therapist collaboration and coaching.

Collaborate and co-treat/ teach with professional team- teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing, educational audiologist, psychologist.

Conduct staff and parent trainings.

Coordinate team meetings.

Mentor other professionals seeking LSLS Certification.

Supervise SLP CFYs.

Speech Language Pathologist
 Long Beach Memorial Hospital

Sep 2003-May 2005
 Long Beach, CA

Evaluated and treated adults with swallowing, speech and language disorders in acute and rehabilitation hospital setting.

Speech Language Pathologist
 Lifespan Therapies

Jul 2000-Aug 2000
 Torrance, CA

Treated preschoolers with autism.

Substitute Speech Language Pathologist

Los Angeles County Office of Education

Mar 1997-Mar 1998

Los Angeles, CA

Evaluated and treated elementary school age students with Autism and visual impairment.

Clinical Tutor-Speech Language Pathology

University of Cape Town

Jan 1994-Nov 1995

Cape Town, SA

Supervised undergraduate students in on- site speech and language clinic

Speech Language Pathologist

Self- Employed

Jan 1989-Jun 1995

Durban, SA

Evaluated and treated children with speech and language disorders and adolescents and adults with acquired brain injury.

Senior Speech Therapist

Vista Nova School

Jan 1992-Dec 1993

Cape Town, South Africa

Evaluated and treated students preschool through high school with speech and language disorders including deaf and hard of hearing, acquired brain injury, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, cancer and neurofibromatosis.

Speech Language Pathologist

Open Air School

Jan 1988-Dec 1991

Durban, South Africa

Evaluated and treated students preschool through high school with speech and language disorders including deaf and hard of hearing, acquired brain injury, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, cancer and neurofibromatosis.

Education

**Certification: Auditory Verbal Education/ Listening and Spoken Language Specialist
October 2012**

Alexander Graham Bell Association

Washington D.C.

Masters: Communication Disorders Speech and Hearing Therapy Jun 2003

California State University

Los Angeles

Communication Disorders Speech and Hearing Therapy

Bachelor of Arts: Speech and Hearing Therapy

University of the Witwatersrand

Dec 1987

Johannesburg, South Africa

Certifications, Credentials, Licenses

California Commission on Teacher Credential-Language and Speech

Clinical Rehabilitation Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Board (SLPAB)

State license

American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA) Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC)

Listening and Spoken Language Specialist Certified Auditory Verbal Educator (LSLS Cert. AVEd)

Affiliations

American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA)
California Speech and Hearing Association (CSHA)
Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

National Down Syndrome Congress

Club 21

Speech Language Hearing and Hearing Aid licensing Board

Lomita Chamber of COngress

Awards

Award for Continuing Education- ACE (Awarded by ASHA)- 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016, .
REACH PROGRAM awarded Program of the Year Award- CSHA 2006

Robert Douglass Scholarship CSULA- 2003

CSHA District 6 Student of the Year- 2003

Dean's Circle CSULA- 2002

Honors Recognition CSULA- 2002

CSULA Scholarship- 2001

Presentations

Staff trainings to educational aides and early start teachers- October 2015-June 2018

Mainstreaming and Red Flags for Students with Cochlear Implants - LACOE Oral DHH staff-
June 2015

Inclusion considerations for students with Cochlear Implants- LACOE Oral DHH staff- March
2015

The Language Hierarchy for students with Cochlear Implants- REACH Parent meeting-
February 2015

Writing Legally Defensible Assessment Reports- SW SELPA New Teacher
Training- 2009-2012

Bridging the Gap between Hospitals and Schools for Students with Brain Injury-
CSHA State Convention- 2009

Appropriate Speech- Language Assessment Report Writing Techniques- SW DIS
Center (LACOE)- February 2006

Continuing Education and Special Trainings

2019- Self determination Conference

- Keck School USC Fall conference

-Independent Facilitator Training

- Audiology Online- Ins and outs of language sampling- January
- Keck School USC: Multidisciplinary Approach to treating Children who are deaf and hard of hearing
- ASHA Annual Convention Boston- Nov
- North Orange County Department of Education- 2 day training series- Nov and March
- 2018- AGBell convention Washington D.C.- July
- Audiology online: Identifying Spoken Language needs of children with hearing loss- Sept
- Audiology Online: Rehabilitation assessment after cochlear implantation- Sept
- Keck School USC: Advancing care for children who are DHH- October
- ASHA Annual convention Los Angeles- Nov
- 2017-Auditory guided speech development in young children- May
- Keck/USC: Building transdisciplinary teams- October
- 2016-AGBell convention in Denver- June
- Keck/ USC: Living and Learning with hearing loss- May
- 2015- AGBell convention in Baltimore- July
- AGBell CA Conference Feb
- PROMPT trained- March
- NCI trained refresher course-June
- 2014- Med- EI Training and Education Program on Dual Language Learning for Children with Hearing Loss- Oct
- Advanced Bionics- Reading Success in Children with Hearing Loss- May
- 2013- AGBell LSL Symposium- Los Angeles July
- Supervision- May
- Documentation Doozies- Jan
- 2012- AGBell Convention- June
- House Ear Institute Workshop- May
- CSHA State Convention- April
- 2011- CA AGBell Chapter meeting- Dec
- John Tracy Clinic- TIES- March
- CSHA State Convention- March
- 2010- Supervision and Mentoring- October
- AGBell Biennial Convention- June
- John Tracy Clinic- TIES- May
- CSHA Annual State Convention- April
- 2009- CSHA State Convention- March
- 2008- Creating Supportive Educational Environments for Children with Cochlear Implants- Oct
- Aural Habilitation for Individuals with Cochlear Implants- Oct
- Supervision and Mentoring- Sept
- ELL Students- Avoiding over- diagnosis- Feb
- 2007- ASHA Convention- Nov
- Listening and Literacy for Children with Cochlear Implants- March
- CSHA Convention- March
- AGBell Annual Convention- February
- 2006- Legislative and Practice Updates for the New Year- May

- CSHA State Convention- April
- Tests for African American English Speakers- April
- Advanced Bionics- Jan
- 2005- How- To's of Listening Therapy- Nov
- Pediatric Feeding- June
- Ordinal Scales- May
- AVT- Feb
- 2004- Special Education Law- Sept
- AGBell- June
- AUSPLAN - April
- CSHA- March
- Listening Foundations- Jan
- 2003- ASHA- Nov
- Med EI- Oct
- CSHA – April
- 2002- Hear Now and Always- AVT Workshop- Nov
- SLPs in the Schools- October
- CSHA - March
- 2000- AGBell- July
- Auditory Verbal Approach- May
- 1999- CICI - July
- Advanced Bionics - July
- CSHA- March
- 1998- Implementing IDEA- Oct
- Early Intervention Home Programs- April