

**EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS  
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**PRESENT THE EASTERN NC 2011 SUMMER AAC CONFERENCE**

**"AAC for Adults with Acquired Communication Disorders"**

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**"AAC and Childhood Apraxia of Speech"**

*Laura J. Ball, Ph.D., East Carolina University*

**JUNE 17, 2011**



**LOCATION**

East Carolina University  
Brody School of Medicine  
Auditorium, Blue Section  
Greenville, NC 27834



*(Parking is available for a nominal fee, contact us for information)*

**Seminar Description**

The morning session will identify communication issues critical to managing complex communication impairments associated with acquired disorders. Issues addressed will include early identification, characterizing natural speech patterns/functioning, and staging AAC assessment and intervention. The afternoon session will outline procedures for application of AAC for children diagnosed with childhood apraxia of speech (CAS) and/or persistent speech sound disorders. Both sessions will provide participants with the fundamentals for making AAC functionally relevant, meaningful, and accessible in daily routines to people of varied abilities. SLPs will present personal and evidence-based experiences to illustrate methods for engineering environments that integrate multiple strategies and technologies.

**Learning Objectives**

Participants will be able to:

1. Describe speech features of adults with acquired speech impairments
2. Identify strategies to determine potential effectiveness of AAC
3. List effective techniques for intervention to facilitate functional natural speech and AAC
4. Explain universal design for learning principles and application with CAS;
5. Describe specific AAC considerations for children with severe speech sound disorders.

**COST**

<b>Pre-registration:</b>	\$30.00 NCACA members + \$5.00 for ASHA CEU credit
<i>(Received on or before 6/10/2011)</i>	\$55.00 Non-members (Includes membership in NCACA) + \$5.00 CEU fee

<b>Registration:</b>	\$50.00 NCACA members + \$5.00 for ASHA CEU credit
	\$75.00 Non-members (Includes membership in NCACA) + \$5.00 CEU fee

**Make checks payable to NCACA and mail pre-registration to:**

Sally Simpson, NCACA Program Committee  
108 Riverbend Place, Goldsboro, NC 27530  
Make check payable to "NCACA"  
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                     Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Time-Ordered Agenda\*

7:45 -8            Materials pick-up and onsite registration

*"AAC for Adults with Acquired Communication Disorders"*

8-10              Natural speech & staging AAC interventions (2 hrs)

10-12            AAC clinical decision-making: assessment & intervention (2 hrs)

12-1              Lunch on your own

*"AAC and Childhood Apraxia of Speech"*

1-3                Universal design for learning & AAC for CAS "walker, non-talkers" (2 hrs)

3-4:30            Vocabulary selection, literacy, and AAC strategies for CAS (1.5 hrs)

*Note: Please attend to your personal care as needed; formal breaks will not be offered so that we may provide the maximum continuing education credits (7.5 total hours)*

*Laura J Ball, PhD, is an associate professor in Communication Sciences and Disorders at East Carolina University. Dr. Ball completed her PhD at the University of Nebraska, where she focused research interests in AAC and motor speech disorders. Dr. Ball has over 25 years experience working with AAC and persons with severe communication impairments. She is the author of numerous publications on topics related to AAC, dysarthria, and apraxia.*

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\* Certificates of attendance will be awarded at the conclusion of the workshop

\* .75 ASHA CEU's will be provided (Intermediate level, Professional area) for a \$5.00 fee

