



RECENT PUBLICATIONS

2017

Measuring Complexity for Autism Interventions: TCFD's Inventory of Neuroeducational Complexity. Theresa Hamlin, Ed.D, Jennifer Foster, Johanna Lantz, Matthew Northrup, Tania Villavicencio, Rune Simeonsson, Donald Lollar. *J Child Dev Disord.* 2017, 3:2.

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Recognize Need to Address Stress in Young Children with Autism. Contributions by Theresa Hamlin, Ed.D. *Source: SpecialEdConnection®*, April 20, 2017 Issue date

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2016

Improving Social Functioning and Challenging Behaviors in Adolescents with ASD and Significant ID: A Randomized Pilot Feasibility Trial of Reciprocal Imitation Training in a Residential Setting. Brooke Ingersoll, Natalie Berger, Danielle Carlsen & Theresa Hamlin. *Developmental Neurorehabilitation*, 2016.261.261.

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Upper Extremity Neuro-Rehabilitation Through the Use of Power Mobility. John Damiao, MS, OTR/L, ATP/SMS, Danielle Kean, COTA/L. *Assistive Technology Journal – Volume 28.1.* 2016, Spring.

2015

Finding a Piece of the Puzzle: Case Studies on Social Skills Development through Improvisation in an Intensive Treatment Model. Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. Thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of the Master of Arts Degree, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, IN, September 2015.

Magic Club: Another Therapeutic Trick up an OT's Sleeve. Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L. *OT Practice Magazine* 20.11: 17-19. 2015, June.

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Restorative Sleep: A Life Essential. Annelise Potgieter, PT, DPT, C/NDT; Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, C/NDT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT; Mary Delia Mahon, PT, MSPT; Melissa Grassi, OTR/L. NDTA Network. Vol. 22, Issue 3, Pages 14-18. 2015, May/June.

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2013

Social Intervention for Adolescents With Autism and Significant Intellectual Disability: Initial Efficacy of Reciprocal Imitation Training. Ingersoll B, Walton K, Carlsen D, Hamlin T. American Journal on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, 2013, Vol. 118, No.4, 247-261.

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Creating a Stable Base for Success. Veety, L., Baxter, A. Closing the Gap, pages 17-20. 2013, August/September.

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

2017

Exploring physiological responses to environmental variables. Lantz, J.F., Northrup, C.M. Paper presented to New York State Association for Behavior Analysis Annual Conference. Albany, NY. 2017, October.

Custom Molded Seating – Who, How, and Why. Veety, L., Sipper, B., Rosen, M. 33rd International Seating Symposium. Nashville, TN. 2017, March.

STOMP: Socialization Through Original Music & Movement Programs. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Amanda Belcastro, MT-BC. American Music Therapy Association Mid-Atlantic Region Conference. Rochester, NY. 2017, March.

Ask the Professional: An Open Forum for Music Therapy Students. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC. American Music Therapy Association Mid-Atlantic Region Conference. Rochester, NY. 2017, March.

From the Mouths of Internship Directors: The Ins and Outs of Student Professionalism. Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC, Stacey Hensel, MA, LCAT, MT-BC, NRMT, Kristen O’Grady, MA, LCAT, MT-BC. American Music Therapy Association Mid-Atlantic Region Conference. Rochester, NY. 2017, March.

Enhancing assessment and treatment of challenging behaviors in autism using physiological sensors. Lantz, J.F., Northrup, C.M., Hamlin, T. Paper presented to the Association for Positive Behavior Supports 14th International Conference on PBS. Denver, CO. 2017, March.

Enhancing Assessment and Treatment of Challenging Behaviors in Autism Using Physiological Monitoring. Lantz, J.F., Hamlin, T, Northrup, C.M., Villavicencio, T., & Bertholf, K. Poster presented at Association of Applied Behavior Analysis International 11th Autism Conference. San Juan, Puerto Rico. 2017, January.

2016

Trending Topics in Music Therapy: Special Education. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Facilitator. American Music Therapy Association National Conference. Sandusky, OH. November 2016.

Food Exploration and Discovery (FED) Program: A Comprehensive Approach to Addressing Complex Feeding Challenges. Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. Speech-Language Hearing Association of the Hudson Valley (SHAHV) Annual Conference. 2016, October.

Addressing Mealtime Challenges Through the Food Exploration and Discovery Program. Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. Inspire – Orange County Cerebral Palsy Association. Newburgh, NY. 2016, September.

Food Exploration and Discovery (FED) Program: A Comprehensive Approach to Addressing Complex Feeding Challenges. Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L, Alexandra Besecker, MS, OTR/L, Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Stephanie Harrigan, MS, CCC-SLP, Heidi Moser, MS, CCC-SLP, Jessica Scanna, MS, CCC-SLP. National Autism Society Conference. 2016, July.

The Health E6: An Interprofessional Model for Holistic Care. Dr. Helena le Roux, Alyce Sherwood, Conio Loretto, Dr. Nicole Kinney & Jennifer Franck. York Wellness and Rehabilitation Institute International Conference, Nazareth College, Rochester, NY, June 2016.

The Health E6: An Interprofessional Model for Holistic Care. Dr. Helena le Roux, Alyce Sherwood, Conio Loretto, Dr. Nicole Kinney & Jennifer Franck. York Wellness and Rehabilitation Institute International Conference, Nazareth College, Rochester, NY, June 2016.

Making Music, Enriching Lives: Music Therapy Services for People with Intellectual Disabilities Across the Lifespan. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC. Aging/Intellectual Disability Cross-Systems Conference, Hershey, PA, May 2016.

Making Music, Enriching Lives: Music Therapy Services for People with Intellectual Disabilities Across the Lifespan. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC. Aging/Intellectual Disability Cross-Systems Conference, Hershey, PA, May 2016.

The Center for Discovery: A Unique Approach to Autism. Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L, Stephanie Harrigan, MS, CCC-SLP. New York University. 2016, April.

A Comprehensive Approach to Addressing Complex Feeding Challenges. Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L, Stephanie Harrigan, MS, CCC-SLP. New York University. 2016, April.

Discovery Café: A Fun Interdisciplinary Approach to Vocational Skill Building. Heidi Moser, MS, CCC-SLP, Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L. The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc. Chicago, IL. 2016, April.

The Effects of Two Occupational Therapy Group-Based Interventions on Social Participation in Adolescents with Autism. Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L, Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc. Chicago, IL. 2016, April.

Food Exploration and Discovery, A Comprehensive Approach to Addressing Complex Feeding Challenges. Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L, Alexandra Besecker, MS, OTR/L, Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP, Stephanie Harrigan, MS, CCC-SLP, Heidi Moser, MS, CCC-SLP. The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc. Chicago, IL. 2016, April.

Music Therapy Program Development in an Evidence-Based World: The Intensive Treatment Model (5 hour continuing education course). Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC & Amanda Belcastro, MT-BC. Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Harrisburg, PA, March 2016.

Stop! Collaborate and Listen: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Developing Pre-Power Mobility Skills for Children with Multiple Disabilities. Beth Deyermond, MA, MT-BC, Lisa Gradziel, PT, DPT, PCS, C/NDT & John Damiao, MS, OTR/L, ATP/SMS. Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Harrisburg, PA, March 2016.

The Show Must Go On: Creating a Dramatic Arts Program for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L & Stephanie Harrigan, MS, CCC-SLP. Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Harrisburg, PA, March 2016.

Ask the Professional: An Open Forum for Students. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC (Moderator). Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Harrisburg, PA, March 2016.

Reduce, Re-Use, and Recycle – Custom Assistive Technology on a Dime- Part 2. Assistive Technology Industry Association Annual Conference. Orlando, FL. 2016, February.

2015

Adapted Cheerleading: Promoting Wellness and Participation by Enhancing Motivation. Lisa Gradziel, PT, DPT, PCS, C/NDT & Jamie Ciabattari, PT, DPT, C/NDT. American Physical Therapy Association Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference. Pittsburgh, PA. November 2015.

Autism: A Whole Body Approach. Hamlin, T., Northrup, C.M., & Lantz, J.F. Presented at CRP Centers of Excellence Summit. Saratoga Springs, NY. 2015, October.

Get Up and Get Moving: Benefits of Exercise for Individuals with ASD National Autism Society Conference. Denver, CO, July 2015.

Transition Team Care for the Medically Complex and Developmentally Disabled Population. Regina Olasin D.O. FAAP, FACP & Nicole G. Kinney, PT, DPT, C/NDT. American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry: Global Summit on Innovations in Health and IDD. Los Angeles, CA, July 2015.

Treating the Child with Autism- A Collaborative Approach with a Health E6 Philosophy. Alexandra Besecker, MS, OTR/L & Jennifer Frank, MS, RD, CDN & Stephanie Harrington, MS, CCC-SLP, Nicole G. Kinney, PT, DPT, C/NDT & Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. New York University, April, 2015.

Let's Laugh Together- Using Humor to Create Friendships. Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L & Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. National American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Nashville, TN, March 2015.

Working toward Success: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Addressing Work Readiness. Alexandra Besecker, MS, OTR/L & Orley A. Templeton, OTD, OTR/L & Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L & Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. National American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Nashville, TN, March 2015.

Round Table Discussion for the Special Interest Section of the American Occupational Therapy Association on Developmental Disabilities. Rachel Thompson, MS, OTR/L & Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L. National American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Nashville, TN, March 2015.

Together in Music: Developing Social Skills through Music Therapy in an Intensive Treatment Model. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. State University of New York College at Fredonia, Fredonia, NY, March 2015.

From the Inside Out: Exploring the Dynamic Process of Music Therapy Supervision. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC (& Haden Minifie, MT-BC). Mid-Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Ocean City, MD, March 2015.

The Elephant in the Profession: Balancing Career, Family and Professional Retention. Beth Deyermond, MT-BC (& Maria Hricko Fay, MSW/LSW, LCAT, MT-BC; Kristyn Beeman, MT-BC; Kristen O'Grady, MA, MT-BC, LCAT; Carol Shultis, PhD, MT-BC; Michael Viega, PhD, MT-BC; Melanie Walborn, MT-BC). Mid-Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Ocean City, MD, March 2015.

Ask the Professional: An Open Form for Students. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC (moderator). Mid-Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Ocean City, MD, March 2015.

Reduce, Re-Use and Recycle – Custom Assistive Technology on a Dime. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT,ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. ATIA 2015 Conference, January 2015, Orlando, FL.

Getting Everyone Working – Adaptations for the Vocational Arena. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT,ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. ATIA 2015 Conference, January 2015, Orlando, FL.

2014

Evaluation of Intensive Adapted Aerobic Dance Program: A Collaborative Research Project. Ertola, C., Lantz, J.F., Foster, J., Williams, S. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Dance Therapy Association. Chicago, IL. 2014, November.

Breaking the Mold: Music Therapy in an Intensive Treatment Model. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. American Music Therapy Association National Conference, Louisville, KY, November 2014.

Panel Chair “**Transitional Team Care for the Medically Complex Developmentally Disabled Population: A panel Discussion,**” Dr. Regina Olasin FAAP, FACP, UCP New York State Annual Meeting, Albany, October 21, 2014

Telemedicine 101: Building a Successful Telemedicine Program Charlotte Ostman, LCSW-R, CP of NY State Annual Conference October 2014, Albany NY.

Making Music, Enriching Lives: Music Therapy Services for People with Intellectual Disabilities Across the Lifespan. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. 2014 Aging / Intellectual Disability Cross-Systems Conference, Hershey, PA, September 2014.

Adapted Dance for Students Functioning at GMFCS Level IV & V: A Series of Pilot Projects. Lisa Gradziel, PT, DPT, C/NDT. Neuro-Developmental Treatment Association (NDTA) 2014 Conference, May 2014, Las Vegas, NV.

Simple Solutions: Concrete Ideas for Using Improvisation (5 hour continuing education workshop). Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. Mid Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Buffalo, NY, April 2014.

Breaking the Mold: Music Therapy in an Intensive Treatment Model. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC, Beth Deyermond, MT-BC, Amanda Belcastro, MT-BC, Rebecca Erson, MT-BC & Timothy Gannon, MS, LCAT, MT-BC. Mid Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Buffalo, NY, April 2014.

Ask the Professional: An Open Form for Students. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC (moderator). Mid-Atlantic Region Conference of the American Music Therapy Association, Buffalo, NY, April 2014.

Together in Music: Developing Social Skills through Music Therapy in an Intensive Treatment Model. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA, March 2014.

Playing with Pentatonic: An Introduction to Clinical Improvisation in Music Therapy. Conio Loretto, MS, LCAT, MT-BC & Beth Deyermond, MT-BC. State University of New York College at Fredonia, Fredonia, NY, March 2014.

2nd International Conference of Experts on Disability and Rehabilitation. Theresa Hamlin, Ed.D., Saudi Arabia. March 4 & 5, 2014

A Research Proposal to Guide Housing Designs for Individuals with Autism. Bill Evans, Autism Speaks Investors Conference. March 2014, San Francisco, CA.

Wheels to Words: The Art of Communication through Power Mobility. John Damiao, MS, OTR/L, ATP/SMS; Coleen Loughney, MS, CCC-SLP. Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA) 2014 Conference, January 2014, Orlando, FL.

Therapeutic Power Mobility: Improving Mobility, Function, Cognition and Therapeutic Outcomes. John Damiao, MS, OTR/L, ATP/SMS. ATIA 2014 Conference, January 2014, Orlando, FL.

Adapting the Extracurriculars: I Want to Play Too! Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. ATIA 2014 Conference, January 2014, Orlando, FL.

Top 15 AT Interventions for Vocational Skill Building. Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP; Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP. ATIA 2014 Conference, January 2014, Orlando, FL.

Developing Individualized Therapy Program to Address Feeding Challenges in Children with Autism. Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L; Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC-SLP. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference & Expo, April 2014, Baltimore, MD.

Clinical staff members Orley Templeton, Rachel Thompson, Lisa Wagner, Nicole Kinney, and Dr. Olatin offered a panel presentation on transitional care at the Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State annual conference in October 2014 in Albany.

2013

Potgieter A. **Clinician's Corner: Positioning for Function.** NDTA Network. January/February 2013; 20(1):1,23-24.

Damiao J. **Going for the 'Goal' in a Power Wheelchair.** Advance for Occupational Therapy Practitioners online. July 2013.

Piatak J. **Addressing Mealtime Challenges in Children with Autism.** Advance for Occupational Therapy Practitioners. August 2013.

2012

Damiao J, Clemson J, Longinott P, Gradziel L. **Assistive Technology: Improving Function Through Enhancing Motivation.** NDTA Network. November/December 2012; 19(6):14-16.a

Thompson R. **The Big Barn Theater Group: An OT-run drama club teaches children with autism socialization skills and self-esteem.** Advance for Occupational Therapy Practitioners. October 2012.

2011

Mahon M, Gradziel L, Kinney N, Damiao G. **Using NDT with Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders.** NDTA Network. September/October 2011; 18(5):26-30.

2010

Visconti C. **The Classroom Environment: Using NDT to Meet Educational Needs of Children.** NDTA Network. November/December 2010; 17(6):1,16-19.

New Lessons and Equipment Modifications for Adapted Physical Education. Alexa Cheh-Mickelson, Laura Dancesia, Michael Rowley. New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NYSAHPERD) Annual Conference, November 20-23, 2013

All Classes for All Kids! Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP; Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP. The New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education (NYSCATE) Annual Conference 2013. November 2013, Rochester, NY.

Innovative Programs – Getting Everyone in the Workshop – Adaptations for the Vocational Arena. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Peter Dollard, MA, ATP. Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State Annual Conference. October 2013, Saratoga Springs, NY.

Autism Effective methods for Providing Assistance to People with Autism and Spectrum Disorders: Experience in Russia and Abroad. Alyce Sherwood MACCC/SLP, ATP, Nicole Kinney PT, DPT. 2nd International Forum -Every Child Deserves a Family, Moscow, Russia. October 14, 2013

Week long training provided by: Johanna Lantz, Ph.D. and Tiffini Amato at a Special education school in St. Petersburg, Russia, September 2014

Assistive Technology and Neuro-Developmental Treatment: Improving Function through Enhancing Motivation. John Damiao, MS, OTR/L, ATP; Jamie Clemson, PT, C/NDT; Patricia Longinott, PT, DPT, C/NDT; Lisa Gradziel, PT, DPT, C/NDT. American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) Annual Meeting, October 2013.

Supporting Students with Autism and Developmental Disabilities in the Classroom: Consultation and Inservice for Teachers and Clinicians. Johanna Lantz, Ph.D.; Tiffini Amato; Rehabilitation and Mercy Specialized School #46 for Children with Learning Disabilities, October 16-20, 2013, St. Petersburg, Russia

American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) Annual Meeting, October 16-19, 2013

Fitness and physical therapy for people with ASD. Nicole Kinney PT, DPT: 2nd International Forum: “Every Child Deserves a Family” Autism: Effective support programs for persons with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Russian and International Experience. October 14-17, 2013, Moscow, Russia

Addressing Feeding Challenges in Children with Autism Using a Holistic and Collaborative Approach.

Jessica Piatak, OTD, OTR/L; Kristina Carraccia, MS, CCC, SLP. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference & Expo, April 2013, San Diego, CA.

DIY Solutions- Positioning for Classroom Success. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA), January 2013, Orlando.

2012

DIY Solutions- Let's Play: Using Assistive Technology to Level the Playing Field. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education (NYSCATE), November 2012, Rochester, NY.

Creating a Stable Base for Success. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. Closing the Gap Conference, October 2012, Minneapolis.

Integrating Assistive Technologies into the Classroom. Lindsey Veety, PT, DPT, ATP; Amy Baxter, PT, DPT, ATP. NYSCATE Hudson Valley, April 2012.

Benefits of Aquatic Therapy : Introduction to aquatic therapy. Annelise Potgieter, PT, C/NDT, Orley Templeton, MS, OTR/L, C/NDT. Block Institute, Brooklyn, NY
