



SELECTIVE MUTISM GROUP'S 2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE "JOINING TOGETHER TO RID THE SILENCE"

For more information and to register, visit:
www.selectivemutism.org

July 23 - 24, 2010 • Chicago, Illinois

CONFERENCE: DoubleTree Hotel • Magnificent Mile

LODGING: Inn of Chicago • Magnificent Mile

SMG has a block of rooms reserved at Doubletree's sister hotel:

Inn of Chicago (1½ blocks away - walking distance)

Book by **July 8th** and receive special SMG room rates on: July 22nd, 23rd & 24th

Double or Single Occupancy: \$134.00 per night

Call their direct line: **312-787-3100***, and ask for "In House Reservations" on weekdays,
or "Front Desk" (on the weekends) then, mention *Selective Mutism Group*

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Description

The conference will provide parents and professionals research-based information and treatment for Selective Mutism. The conference will provide a comprehensive look at the many facets of treatment, to include cognitive behavior therapy, medication management, play therapy and sensory integration therapy. The role of the speech-language pathologist in assessment and interventions in the school setting will also be addressed.

In addition, specific intervention measures such as the NYU Brave Buddies Intensive Treatment program and information on DIR/Floor Time which is a developmental play therapy intervention will be presented. Parents and professionals will also be provided an opportunity to ask professionals questions and to meet other people whose lives have been affected by Selective Mutism.

Objectives:

- Describe the process for identifying, assessing and diagnosing SM
- Identify the social and academic impact of SM on children
- State the potential benefits and risks of medication use for anxiety disorders and SM
- Describe the NYU SM Brave Buddies Intensive Treatment Program as an intervention
- Demonstrate through video tape illustration, the developmental play therapy intervention known as DIR/Floor Time
- Describe the role of the speech-language pathologist in assessing and treating children with SM
- Identify at least three ways to support the older child or adolescent in overcoming SM and social phobia
- State at least three potential long-term effects of untreated cases of SM and social phobia
- Describe the impact of sensory integration of children with SM
- Identify key points of eligibility for a Section 504 Plan and IEP

Program Schedule:

Friday, July 23rd

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Welcome
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Overview of Current Research and Treatment <i>Aimee Kotrba, Ph.D.</i>
10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	BREAK
10:45 - 11:45 a.m.	Considering Medication for the Treatment of SM with Anxiety Disorders <i>Sucheta Connolly, M.D.</i>
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	LUNCH**
12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Brave Buddies: Intensive Real-World Group Behavior Treatment of SM <i>Steven M.S. Kurtz, Ph.D., ABPP</i>
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.	BREAK
2:30 - 4:00 p.m.	DIR/Floor Time: A Developmental/Relational Play Therapy Approach in the Treatment of Children Impacted by SM <i>Esther B. Hess, Ph.D.</i>

Saturday, July 24th

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	The SLP's Role in Assessing & Testing Children with SM <i>Joleen R. Fernald, MS CCC-SLP</i>
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	BREAK
10:15 - 11:45 a.m.	Overcoming SM Across the Ages: A Personal Journey Toward Recovery <i>Audrey E. Boggs, Psy.D.</i>
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	LUNCH**
12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	The Impact of Sensory Integration Therapy on Children with SM <i>Kari Thompson, OTD, OTR/L, BCP, SWC, CLE, IMC</i>
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.	BREAK
2:30 - 4:00 p.m.	Special Education / 504 Issues <i>Joleen R. Fernald, MS CCC-SLP</i>
4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Questions & Answers Panel

Sunday, July 25th

9:30 a.m.	Brunch (not included in registration) Informal Q & A
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**Mid-Morning snack, Lunch, and Mid-Afternoon snack included on Friday & Saturday

Social Workers, MFTs, Play Therapists, and School Psychologists:

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS / CREDITS

July 23, 2010: 5.5 CEUs; July 24, 2010: 6 CEUs: **TOTAL: 11.5 CEUs**

APT (Play Therapy): 1.5 CEUs

CBPS is approved by the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners to sponsor Category I, CE programs, the NBCC to offer CE for NBCC, Provider #5763, the Maryland Board of Psychology to sponsor Category A, CE programs, the National Association of School Psychologists to offer CEUs, provider #1067, the Association for Play Therapy to offer CE programs specific to play therapy, APT Provider #97-034, and the Board of Behavioral Sciences in CA to offer CEUs for MFCCs and LCSW, Approval #PCE 1466. CBPS maintains responsibility for the training. National Association of Social Workers (NASW) approval pending.

Psychologists:

July 23, 2010 and July 24, 2010: **TOTAL: 11.5 CE Hours**

R. Cassidy Seminars is approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to offer continuing education for psychologists. R. Cassidy Seminars maintains responsibility for this program. 11.5 CE hours

ASHA:



The Selective Mutism Anxiety Research & Treatment Center 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. **See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area.** ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

This program is offered for 1.2 CEUs (Intermediate Level, Professional Area).

OTHER INFO:

Kids Camp - a safe, fun environment for your child(ren) to meet other children with SM and their siblings while parents attend the Conference. Arts, crafts, and games that facilitate interaction and engagement without the stress of speaking.

Kids Camp will be provided by SMG with support from local volunteers. The Kids Camp registration fee (separate) will include the child care, supervision, arts, crafts, games and a Kids Buffet on both days. Parents will have the opportunity to eat lunch with their children each day. Kids Camp is for children ages 3 - 13: please be sure to indicate your child's name and age when registering.

Conference Prices:

SMG Members - Registration (from June 16 th - July 22 nd) Conference w/ lunch both days (includes 20% SMG member discount)	\$260.00/per person
SMG Members - Kids Camp Child care w/ Kids Buffet both days (includes 20% SMG member discount)	\$ 50.00/per child
Non-Members - Registration (from June 16 th - July 22 nd) Conference w/ lunch both days	\$325.00/per person
Non-Members - Kids Camp Child care w/ Kids Buffet both days	\$ 63.00/per person
Treating Professional SMG Members Registration (from June 16 th - July 22 nd) for Professionals Conference, CEUs w/ lunch both days (includes 30% SMG professional member discount)	\$273.00/per person

Treating Professionals Non-Members Registration (from June 16th - July 22nd) \$390.00/per person
Conference, CEUs w/ lunch both days

At-the-Door / Walk-Ins (July 23rd) for Non-Professionals \$350.00/per person
Conference w/ lunch both days

At-the-Door for / Walk-In (July 23rd) for Treating Professional (CEUs) \$400.00/per person
Conference w/ lunch both days

Parking (if driving) – if not driving see other options - attached \$ 41.00/per day

*CEUs - Continuing Education Units for Professionals ([SEE ABOVE](#))

The [DoubleTree Hotel](#) and the [Inn of Chicago](#) are 30 - 45 minutes from both Chicago airports: O'Hare International (ORD) and Midway (MDW) -- accessible by train, taxi, shuttle or limo. Both hotels are also within walking distance to dozens of Chicago attractions including the John Hancock Center, Water Tower Place, Millennium Park, Art Institute of Chicago, Lake Michigan, and Navy Pier.

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