The Victorian Deaf Education Institute

2012 ELKLAN SPEECH AND LITERACY SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF

You are invited to participate in a new program

TOPIC

Accredited ELKLAN speech and literacy support program for educational support staff who provide oral language and literacy support in classrooms.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Victorian Deaf Education Institute (VDEI) has committed to providing professional learning opportunities for educational support (ES) staff who provide oral language and literacy support in classrooms in 2012.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

This course is suitable for ES staff assistants working with deaf and hard of hearing children aged between 5 and 11 years, but may be applicable for staff working with older students with delayed language skills.

PRESENTED BY

This program will be presented by Helen Harrington-Johnson, who is an experienced speech pathologist, audiologist and accredited ELKLAN trainer. Helen has wide clinical experience in the paediatric fields of hearing impairment, multiple disability and autism within early intervention and with school age children. Helen has worked in Zimbabwe, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. Helen is also the Statewide Program Manager at VDEI.

WHAT DOES THIS COURSE TEACH?

What do we mean by hearing loss? Know the different parts of the ear and explain their functions; understand the types of hearing tests available; how to interpret audiograms and what they mean; understand the variety of hearing aids and equipment used; presenting features of a hearing loss.

What is communication? Identify the processes involved in communication; appreciate the wide range of communication problems.

Communication and the child with hearing loss: How to identify the areas of communication that may break down because of hearing difficulty; how to modify the environment to support the child; how to modify your own communication style for the benefit of the child; the different modes of communication hearing impaired children use; the terminology used.

Supporting the language and social skills of the child with hearing difficulties: The effects of hearing loss on understanding and talking; the impact of hearing impairment on the development of social language skills; how to identify which parts of the listening hierarchy tasks are working; why learning vocabulary is so hard for the child with a hearing loss.

Supporting the listening and phonological development of the child with hearing difficulties: The fact that presenting speech and language difficulties may be interrelated; disordered speech patterns; the difference being able to make a sound and being able to use it; the impact of hearing loss on the ability to make and use speech sounds.

DATES

Mon 30 January 2012 from 9-4pm
Wed 29 February 2012 from 9-4pm

VENUE:

Metro: Melbourne at VDEI, 597 St Kilda Road
(Video relay may be available upon request)

REGISTRATION

RSVP by completing the attached form and email/fax to VDEI by Wednesday 21 December 2011 to Helen Harrington-Johnson, VDEI at vdei@edumail.vic.gov.au or fax 03 9637 2030. Enquiries: please call Helen on (03) 9560 0471.
REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete and send to:

Helen Harrington-Johnson, Statewide Program Manager at the Victorian Deaf Education Institute by Wednesday 21 December 2011

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