

# LEADING THE WAY TO EMPOWERED COMMUNICATION

## 2025 NJSHA Convention

March 27-28, 2025

Atlantic City, NJ • Harrah's Resort



### FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKER



**Carrie Spangler, AuD, CCC-A**

*Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal  
Ableism and Empowering Communication*

Thursday, March 27, 9:45 am–10:30 am

In a world designed for those who hear, deaf and hard of hearing individuals often navigate a landscape shaped by ableism. *Finding My Frequency*, will explore my journey of recognizing and overcoming internalized biases while embracing my identity as a deaf audiologist. We'll delve into how personal ableism intersects with broader societal challenges, impacting self-perception, communication and access to opportunities. Through personal examples and practical strategies, this session will empower participants to challenge ableist norms, advocate for inclusivity and find their own frequency.

# WELCOME!

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## Greetings from the Convention Committee

We hope this message finds you well. As the 2025 NJSHA Convention approaches, we are excited to invite you to join us for this unparalleled event. This year promises to be filled with insightful sessions, networking opportunities, and the chance to connect with industry leaders.

## Why Attend NJSHA's Annual Convention?

- **Carrie Spangler, AuD, CCC-A** — Our keynote speaker presenting *Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication*
- Obtain up to 1.5 of CEU hours
- Praxis Bowl Competition - Show support for the students and your Alma Mater!
- Expanded Exhibit Hall and Product Demonstrations
- Networking and Interprofessional Collaboration

## How to Register:

Securing your spot at the NJSHA Convention is easy! Follow these steps:

1. Visit our registration page: <https://www.njsha.org/continuing-education/annual-convention/>
2. Fill out the required information.
3. Select your preferred package and add-ons.
4. Complete the payment process.

## Early Bird Special:

Don't miss out, register on or before March 1, 2025 for our early bird rates. Take advantage of this opportunity to save on your registration fees!

## Accommodation:

Make the most of your NJSHA Convention experience by booking your accommodation early. Special rates are available for registered attendees at Harrah's Resort. Visit our website for more details.

## Connect With Us:

Stay updated on 2025 NJSHA Convention news and announcements by following us on social media:

- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/NewJerseySHA>
- **Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/njsha1>
- **LinkedIn:** <https://www.linkedin.com/in/njsha-new-jersey-speech-language-hearing-association-9804b426a/>
- **Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/newjerseysha/>

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2025 NJSHA Convention and creating lasting memories together. If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to contact our dedicated support team at [info@njsha.org](mailto:info@njsha.org) or 888.906.5742.

Thank you for being a part of the NJSHA 2025 Convention!

*Let's meet at the beach in Atlantic City,*

## **Catherine Curtis and Lori Watkins**

*Convention Committee Chairs: Speech-Language Program*

## **Marykate Vaughn**

*Convention Committee Chair: Audiology Program*



*Catherine Curtis*



*Lori Watkins*



*Marykate Vaughn*

**Volunteers  
Are Needed!**

## Be a part of the Convention and volunteer!

Room moderators will introduce the speaker and read a short biography. They will be responsible for relaying any last-minute information to the attendees. If you would like to sign-up to be a room moderator, please check the box on the Convention registration form.

# SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

## Marni Reisberg Memorial Program

Gina England, MA, CCC-SLP

Thursday, 2:15 pm-3:45 pm

*The Management of Concussion Throughout the Lifespan*

Friday, 8:45 am-10:15 am

*The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children, Part 1*

Friday, 10:30 am-12:00 pm

*The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children, Part 2*

## Keynote Speaker:

Carrie Spangler, AuD, CCC-A

Thursday, 9:45 am – 10:30 am

*Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication*

See front cover for Keynote description.

## The Stepping Stones Group Knowledge Quest - Praxis Game Show for Students

Thursday, 12:45 pm-2:00 pm

Come out and support your Alma Mater! Cheer on the students as they compete in the Praxis Bowl!

Sponsored by:



## Honors and Awards Presentation and Welcome Reception

Thursday, 6:00 pm

Join us as we celebrate the 2025 NJSJA Honors and Awards recipients as well as student scholarship winners. These presentations provide an opportunity for NJSJA members to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments and successes of our peers.

## Annual Membership Breakfast and Meeting

Friday, 7:00 am – 8:30 am

This event includes a hot breakfast buffet and allows NJSJA members to receive Association updates and recognize those who volunteer their time and service to the organization.

## Attention Students

### Poster Presentations

Thursday, 10:45am-12:45pm

Friday, 11:15am-1:15pm

Deadline extended until February 26, 2025.

Visit [www.njsja.org](http://www.njsja.org) to submit today.

## Continuing Education

### ASHA Continuing Education



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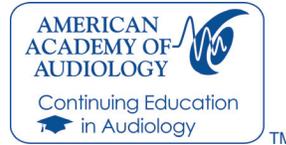
New Jersey  
Speech-Language-Hearing  
Association

This course is offered for up to 1.5 ASHA CEUs (Various Levels).

**Supervision session** (S44) is offered separately for 0.15 ASHA CEUS (introductory level)

**DEI sessions** (S16, S21, S37) are offered separately for up to 0.55 ASHA CEUS (various levels)

### AAA Continuing Education



The New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association is approved by the American Academy of Audiology to offer Academy CEUs for this activity. The program is worth a maximum of 1.05 CEUs. Academy approval of this continuing education activity is based on course content only and does not

imply endorsement of course content, specific products, or clinical procedure, or adherence of the event to the Academy's Code of Ethics. Any views that are presented are those of the presenter/CE Provider and not necessarily of the American Academy of Audiology.

### International Hearing Society



This program has been submitted for 10.5 International Hearing Society CE credits.



## Attention Audiologists

Once again, NJSJA has partnered with the New Jersey Academy of Audiology (NJAA) to sponsor the audiology program.

**Welcome NJAA Members to the NJSJA Convention!**

**NJAA members can register at member rates.**

# HIGHLIGHTED PRESENTERS

Learn more about each presenter by visiting the NJSHA website, [njsha.org](http://njsha.org)



## Carrie Spangler

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

AuD, CCC-A

Presenting the Keynote Address: *Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication*, on Thursday at 9:45 am–10:30 am, and *Meeting the Needs of Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing: The Interprofessional Connection*, on Thursday at 2:15 pm–3:45 pm, and *EmpowEARing Students With Hearing Challenges*, on Thursday at 4:00 pm–5:30 pm.



## Gina England

MA, CCC-SLP

Presenting *The Management of Concussion Throughout the Lifespan*, on Thursday at 2:15 pm–3:45 pm, *The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children, Part 1*, on Friday at 8:45 am–10:15 am, *The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children, Part 2*, on Friday at 10:30 am–12:00 pm.



## Kelly Farquharson

PhD, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders, Part 1* on Thursday at 8:00 am–9:30 am, *Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders, Part 2*, on Thursday, 11:00 am–12:30 pm, *Developmental Language Disorders and Literacy in Schools* on Friday, 2:15 pm–3:45 pm.



## Shelby Ford

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Demo: Cues that Connect: How to Use Bjorek Speech Materials in Speech Therapy*, on Thursday at 2:30 pm–3:30 pm, *Fun Meets Function: Creative, Engaging, and Effective Strategies for Speech Sound Therapy*, on Friday at 10:30 am–12:00 pm.



## Heather Grossman

PhD, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Stuttering-Affirming Therapy: Clinical Decision Making and Applications*, on Thursday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm, *Stuttering Therapy: The Lived Experience*, on Friday, 4:00 pm–5:30 pm.



## Kristel Kubart

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *How to Resist Ableism and Begin Stuttering Affirming Therapy Practices*, on Friday at 2:15 pm–3:45 pm.



## Bethany Long

AuD, CCC-A

Presenting *The Power of Sound: Audiology and Hearing Assistive Tech for Every Learner*, on Thursday at 11:00 am–12:30 pm.



## Hilary Murphy

PhD

Presenting *The Language of Intelligence: A Discussion of IQ Assessment*, on Friday, 8:45 am–10:15 am, (Repeat of Session) *The Language of Intelligence: A Discussion of IQ Assessment*, on Friday, 2:15pm–3:45pm.



## Kathleen F. Nagle

PhD, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Voice Assessment for School-Based SLPs: The Basics*, on Friday, 8:45 am–10:15 am.



## Andrea McMahan

ScD, CCC-A

Presenting *The Power of Sound: Audiology and Hearing Assistive Tech for Every Learner*, on Thursday at 11:00 am–12:30 pm.



## Michelle Neidleman Kennedy

AuD, CCC-A

Presenting *Tinnitus Treatments for a Sound Life*, on Friday at 8:45 am–10:15 am.



## Mark O'Malia

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Stuttering-Affirming Therapy: Clinical Decision Making and Application*, on Thursday at 4:00pm–5:30pm.



## Douglas B. Petersen

PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL

Presenting *Innovations in Language Sample Analysis Using the CUBED-3: One Small Step for SLPs, One Giant Leap for Literacy*, on Thursday 2:15 pm-3:45 pm, *Revolutionizing Progress Monitoring With the CUBED-3: Bridging Language and Literacy in the MTSS Framework*, on Thursday, 4:00pm-5:30pm, *Leveraging Structured Literacy Through Story Champs: Empowering Educators to Address the Language Needs of All Students*, on Friday, 8:45am-10:15am, *Language is Language: Capitalizing on the Reciprocal Relationship Between Oral Language and Written Language Using Story Champs*, on Friday, 10:30am–12:00pm.



## Anne Michele Puglisi

AuD

Presenting *Aural/Audiologic Rehab: Person-Centered Care in an Expanding Market* on Thursday at 8:00 am–9:30 am.



## Lauren Schwabish

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *No Workbooks, No Winging It: Exploring Essential Skills and Strategies In a Person-Centered Approach* on Thursday at 4:00 pm–5:30 pm, *Successful Management of Persistent Post-Concussion Syndrome* on Friday, 10:30am–12:00pm.

## Highlighted Presentation

# AUDIOLOGY

Join your colleagues for two full days to network and hear the latest on Audiology topics including:

### Featured presentations

- S3** Aural/Audiologic Rehab: Person-Centered Care in an Expanding Market
- S7** **Keynote Presentation:** Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication
- S12** The Power of Sound: Audiology and Hearing Assistive Tech for Every Learner
- S15** Meeting the Needs of Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing: The Interprofessional Connection
- S20** EmpowEARing Students With Hearing Challenges
- S35** Validity of Speech-in-Noise Hearing Assessments for Bilinguals
- S51** Tinnitus Treatments for a Sound Life
- U1** Audiology Committee Update

## Convention Registration Rates

	Early Registration On or Before 3/1/25	Late Registration After 3/1/25
<b>Full Convention Registration</b>		
NJSHA Member	<b>\$255</b>	<b>\$280</b>
NJAA Member	<b>\$255</b>	<b>\$280</b>
Non-Member	<b>\$355</b>	<b>\$380</b>
Student/Recent Grad Member	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$75</b>
Student Non-Member	<b>\$110</b>	<b>\$135</b>
Life Members	<b>\$155</b>	<b>\$180</b>
<b>Single Day Registration</b>		
NJSHA Member	<b>\$155</b>	<b>\$180</b>
NJAA Member	<b>\$155</b>	<b>\$180</b>
Non-Member	<b>\$255</b>	<b>\$280</b>
Student/Recent Grad Member	<b>\$50</b>	<b>\$75</b>
Student Non-Member	<b>\$110</b>	<b>\$135</b>
Life Members	<b>\$130</b>	<b>\$155</b>

**GROUP REGISTRATION:** Forms to register a Group can be found on the NJSHA website at <https://www.njsa.org/continuing-education/annual-convention/>

**Note:** All registration forms must come in one packet in order to qualify for the Group Discount.

<b>Professional Group Rates – Full Convention</b>		
	Member Rate	Non-Member Rate
5-10 registrants	<b>\$245</b>	<b>\$345</b>
11-15 registrants	<b>\$240</b>	<b>\$340</b>
16+ registrants	<b>\$220</b>	<b>\$320</b>

<b>Professional Group Rates – Single Day</b>		
	Member Rate	Non-Member Rate
5-10 registrants	<b>\$150</b>	<b>\$250</b>
11-15 registrants	<b>\$145</b>	<b>\$245</b>
16+ registrants	<b>\$130</b>	<b>\$230</b>

## Convention T-Shirt Pre-Orders

# Celebrate With NJSHA!



**Convention V Neck (Straight Fit)**  
**\$19** (Small, Medium, Large, and X Large)  
**\$21** (2XL and 3XL)



**Convention V Neck (Ladies Fit)**  
**\$20** (Small, Medium, Large, and X Large)  
**\$22** (2XL and 3XL)

## 3 Styles to Choose!

**Convention Crew Neck (Unisex)**  
**\$18** (Small, Medium, Large, and X Large)  
**\$20** (2XL and 3XL)



**T-Shirt orders will be accepted through March 13.**  
*(T-shirts will ONLY be available by pre-order. There will not be any T-shirts available for sale onsite at Convention)*

# Thursday, March 27, 2025

## Schedule-At-A-Glance

To learn more about each session, visit [www.njsha.org](http://www.njsha.org).

	TIME	SESS	TITLE	SPEAKERS
<b>Thursday, March 27</b> Registration and Exhibits Open 7:00 am - 6:00 pm				
Praxis Bowl - 12:45 pm-2:00 pm	8:00 am - 9:30 am	S01	Dyslexia Is Complex: Assessing For It Doesn't Have To Be	Muller
		S02	Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders - Part 1	Farquharson
		S03	Aural/Audiologic Rehab: Person-Centered Care in an Expanding Market	Puglisi
		S04	Enhancing Classroom Collaboration: Push-In Strategies for Speech-Language Specialists	Palant, Ward
		S05	Pediatric Voice Therapy: Flow, Blow, Mo!	Molfese
		S06	Gestalt Language Processing for Multimodal Communication: Apraxia, AAC, and Beyond!	Flynn
	9:45 am - 10:30 am	S07	KEYNOTE: Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication	Spangler
	10:45 am - 12:15 pm	S08	AAC On Demand Learning Modules for Paraprofessionals: A Collaborative Effort	Fredericks, Thompson, Holzman, DeSenzo
		S09	Navigating Dysphagia in ALS: Evidence-Based Approaches for Clinicians	Villanueva, Saler
		S10	The Benefits of Recreational Therapist and Speech-Language Pathologist Collaboration With AAC Users	Tappan-Verderosa, Trembley
	10:45 am - 12:45 pm	Poster Session	Poster Sessions - Part 1	Various
	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	S11	Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders - Part 2	Farquharson
		S12	The Power of Sound: Audiology and Hearing Assistive Tech for Every Learner	Long, McMahon
		S13	New Strategies for Rehabilitation of Reading Disorders in Aphasia	Boukrina
	12:45 pm - 2:00 pm	Special Event	Knowledge Quest - Praxis Bowl for Students	The Stepping Stones Group
Lunch - 12:30 pm-2:00 pm	2:15:pm - 3:45 pm	S14	Marni Reisberg Memorial Program: The Management of Concussion Throughout the Lifespan	England
		S15	Meeting the Needs of Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing: The Interprofessional Connection	Spangler
		S16	DEI: Assessment Myths Busted!	Anderson
		S17	Innovations in Language Sample Analysis Using the CUBED-3: One Small Step for SLPs, One Giant Leap for Literacy	Petersen
		S18	A Practical Guide to Fun and Effective Early Intervention - Part 1	Harpster
		S47	<b>NEW DATE/TIME:</b> AAC: Where do I Start?	Kogan
		S49	<b>NEW DATE/TIME:</b> Holistic Care for Adolescents With CAS	Turner Swartz, Hitchcock, Cabbage, Csapo, Csapo, Russell
	2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	S19	Demo: Cues That Connect: How to Use Bjorem Speech Materials in Speech Therapy	Ford
	4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	S20	EmpowEARing Students With Hearing Challenges	Spangler
		S21	DEI: Making School-Based Services More Equitable: Best Practices for CLD Students	Victorino, Domsch
		S22	Stuttering-Affirming Therapy: Clinical Decision Making and Applications	Grossman, O'Malia
		S23	No Workbooks, No Winging It: Exploring Essential Skills and Strategies In a Person-Centered Approach	Schwabish
		S24	Revolutionizing Progress Monitoring With the CUBED-3: Bridging Language and Literacy in the MTSS Framework	Petersen
		S25	A Practical Guide to Fun and Effective Early Intervention - Part 2	Harpster
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Special Event	Honors and Awards Presentation and Reception	Peña
				Various

# Friday, March 28, 2025

## Schedule-At-A-Glance

To learn more about each session, visit [www.njsa.org](http://www.njsa.org).

TIME	SESS	TITLE	SPEAKERS
<b>Friday, March 28</b>			
Registration 6:30 am - 5:30 pm   Exhibits Open 8:00 am - 3:00 pm			
7:00 am to 8:30 am	S26	Membership Breakfast and Annual Meeting	
8:45 am - 10:15 am	S28	The Language of Intelligence: A Discussion of IQ Assessment	Murphy
	S29	Leveraging Structured Literacy Through Story Champs: Empowering Educators to Address the Language Needs of All Students	Petersen
	S30	Empowering Older Students through Real-World Learning and Discussion	Sperling Reich
	S31	Enhancing Social-Emotional Growth in Neurodivergent Children Through Play Strategies	Husain, Redlich, Britz
	S32	Marni Reisberg Memorial Program: The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children - Part 1	England
	S44	<b>NEW TIME:</b> SUPERVISION: Critical Thinking and its Application to Clinical Education	Caporaso, Jacob, Kaffl, Ronan
	S51	<b>NEW SESSION:</b> Tinnitus Treatments for a Sound Life	Neidleman Kennedy
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	S27	<b>NEW TIME:</b> Voice Assessment for School-Based SLPs: The Basics	Nagle
	S33	Language is Language: Capitalizing on the Reciprocal Relationship Between Oral Language and Written Language Using Story Champs	Petersen
	S48	<b>NEW TIME:</b> Stuttering Therapy: The Lived Experience	Grossman
	S34	Successful Management of Persistent Post-Concussion Syndrome	Schwabish
	S35	Validity of Speech-in-Noise Hearing Assessments for Bilinguals	Smith, Ghanim
	S36	Marni Reisberg Memorial Program: The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children - Part 2	England
	S37	DEI: Connecting With Autistic Clients for Meaningful Change	Bouser
11:15 am - 1:15 pm	Poster Session	Poster Sessions - Part 2	Various
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	U1	Audiology Committee Update	Sandler, McGlynn, Vaughn, Nowak, Lance
	U2	Healthcare/Early Intervention/Private Practice Committee Update	Schwerin Bohus, Luna, McAardle, Nowak, Lance
	U3	School Affairs Committee (SAC) Update	Nordelo, Dardeir, Boruta, Nowak, Lance
2:15 pm - 3:45 pm	S38	<b>NEW TIME:</b> Fun Meets Function: Creative, Engaging, and Effective Strategies for Speech Sound Therapy	Ford
	S39	Key Considerations for AAC Integration in ALS Patient Care	Lieto
	S40	<b>NEW SESSION:</b> The Role of Neuropsychology in Understanding & Assessing Traumatic Brain Injury	Murphy
	S41	Developmental Language Disorders (DLD) and Literacy in Schools	Farquharson
	S42	How to Resist Ableism and Begin Stuttering Affirming Therapy Practices	Kubart
	S43	Navigating AAC: Supporting Early Learners and Tracking Their Progress	Zembriski
	S45	Pass the Vibe Check: Leveling Up Your Emotional Intelligence	Tsiamtsiouris, Van Dunk

Lunch - 12:00 pm-1:00 pm

## NEED A RIDE?

**Need a Ride to Convention?  
Consider Car Pooling!**

Sign up to connect with others going your way!

<http://bit.ly/40pgkcc>

## Exhibit Hall Hours

Door Prizes will be given out at each break in the Exhibit Hall. Prizes that are not claimed during the Convention will be raffled off Friday afternoon.

**THURSDAY**  
7:00 am – 6:00 pm

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**FRIDAY**  
8:00 am – 3:00 pm



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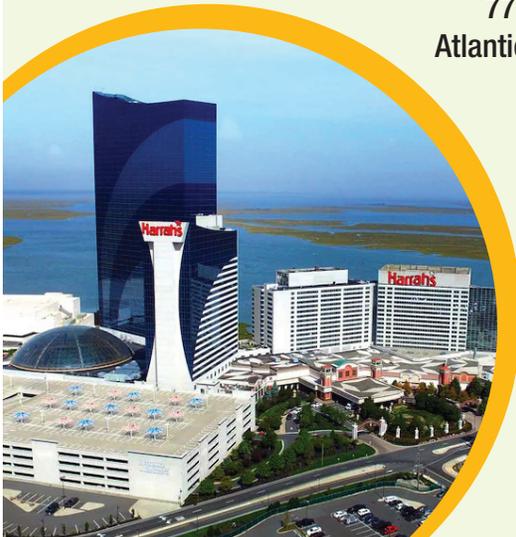
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## Harrah's Resort

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## Need Hotel Reservations?

Special room rate of **\$132 per night**, taxes and resort fee are included in this rate.

This rate will be available until March 2, 2025 or until room block is full.

### CALL-INS:

**Room Reservations:** 888-516-2215  
(8:00 am-2:00 am EST, 7 days a week)

**Group name:** Speech Language Hearing  
**Group code:** SHNJS5

All callers will be asked for this code but can also book by saying "Speech Language Hearing."

### ON-LINE:

<https://book.passkey.com/go/SHNJS5>