



# LEADING THE WAY TO EMPOWERED COMMUNICATIONS

## 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 Spangl**  Our keynote speaker presenting *Finding My Frequency: Confronting Personal Ableism and Empowering Communication*
- Obtain up to (add calculation) 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 February 13, 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: Speech-Language Program*

## **Marykate Vaughn**

*Convention Committee: 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, March 27, 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 (S7)**

**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 The Stepping Stones Group**

## Honors and Awards Presentation and Welcome Reception

**Thursday, 6:00 pm**

Join us as we celebrate the 2025 NJSCHA Honors and Awards recipients as well as student scholarship winners. These presentations provide an opportunity for NJSCHA 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 NJSCHA 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.njscha.org](http://www.njscha.org) to submit today.

## Continuing Education

### ASHA Continuing Education

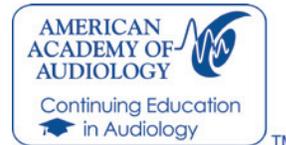


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### AAA Continuing Education



The New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association is approved by the American Academy of Audiology to offer Academy CEUs for this activity. This program is worth a maximum of 1.0 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 Institute of Hearing Instruments Studies



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



## Attention Audiologists

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

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

# 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 4:30–5:30 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 8:30 am–9:30 am, *Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders, Part 2*, on Thursday, 11:30 am–12:30 pm, *Developmental Language Disorders and Literacy in Schools* on Friday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm.



## Shelby Ford

Presenting *Demo: Cues that Connect: How to Use Bjoreem 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, 2:45 pm–4:15 pm.



## Kristel Kubart

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *How to Resist Ableism and Begin Stuttering Affirming Therapy Practices*, on Friday at 1:00 pm–2:30 pm.



## Bethany Long

AuD, CCC-A

Presenting *Title*, on Thursday at 11:00 am–12:30 am.



## Hilary Murphy

PhD

Presenting *The Language of Intelligence: A Discussion of IQ Assessment*, on Friday, 8:45 am–10:15 am, *TBI/Hearing Neuro*, Friday, 1:00 pm–2:30 pm.



## 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 *Title*, on Thursday at 11:00 am–12:30 pm.



## Mark O'Malia

MS, CCC-SLP

Presenting *Stuttering Therapy: The Lived Experience*, on Friday, 2:45 pm–4:15 pm.



## Douglas B. Petersen

PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL

Presenting *Language*, on Thursday at 4:00 pm–5:30 pm, *Literacy*, Friday, 2:45 pm–4:15 pm.



## 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.

## 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** Hearing Assistant 
- 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 

## Convention Registration Rates

	Early Registration On or Before 2/13/25	Late Registration After 2/13/25
<b>Full Convention Registration</b>		
NJSHA Member	\$255	\$280
NJAA Member	\$255	\$280
Non-Member	\$355	\$380
Student/Recent Grad Member	\$50	\$75
Student Non-Member	\$110	\$135
Life Members	\$155	\$180
<b>Single Day Registration</b>		
NJSHA Member	\$155	\$180
NJAA Member	\$155	\$180
Non-Member	\$255	\$280
Student/Recent Grad Member	\$50	\$75
Student Non-Member	\$110	\$135
Life Members	\$130	\$155

**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.

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

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

## 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.njsa.org](http://www.njsa.org).

TIME	SESS	TITLE	SPEAKERS
<b>Thursday, March 27</b>			
Registration and Exhibits Open 7:00 am - 6:00 pm			
8:00 am - 9:30 am	S01	TBA 	
	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 pm	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	Various
	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
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	S11	Choosing the Right Treatment Approach for Speech Sound Disorders - Part 2	Farquharson
	S12	Hearing Assistance Tech 	Long, McMahon
	S13	TBA	
10:45 am - 12:45 pm	Poster Session	Poster Sessions - Part 1	Various
2:15:pm - 3:45 pm	S14	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	 Assessment Myths Busted!	Anderson
	S17	 AAC: Where do I Start?	Kogan 
	S18	A Practical Guide to Fun and Effective Early Intervention - Part 1	Harpster
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	 Making School-based Services More Equitable: Best practices for CLD students	Victorino, Celeste
	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	Language 	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	Various

### 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

**FRIDAY**  
8:00 am – 3:00 pm

# 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	S27	Voice Assessment for School-Based SLPs: The Basics	Nagle
	S28	The Language of Intelligence: A Discussion of IQ Assessment	Murphy
	S29	TBA 	
	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	The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children - Part 1	England
10:30 am - 1:00 pm 	S33	Exhibitor Demo 	
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	S34	New Strategies for Rehabilitation of Reading Disorders in Aphasia	Boukrina
	S35	Validity of Speech-in-Noise Hearing Assessments for Bilinguals	Smith, Ghanim
	S36	The Speech Pathologist and Central Auditory Processing Deficits in Children, Part 2	England
	S37	 ecting With Autistic Clients for Meaningful Change	Bouser
	S38	Fun Meets Function: Creative, Engaging, and Effective Strategies for Speech Sound Therapy	Ford
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	U1	Audiology Committee  ate	Various
	U2	Healthcare/Early Intervention/Private Practice Committee Update	Various
	U3	School Affairs Committee (SAC) Update	Various
11:15 am - 1:15 pm	Poster Session	Poster Sessions - Part 2	Various
2:15 pm - 3:45 pm	S39	Key Considerations for AAC Integration in ALS Patient Care	Lieto
	S40	TBI/Hearing Neuro	Murphy
	S41	Developmental Language Disorder  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
	S44	 cal Thinking and its Application to Clinical Education	Caporaso, Jacob, Kaffl, Ronan
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	S45	Pass the Vibe Check: Leveling Up Your Emotional Intelligence	Tsiamtsiouris, Van Dunk
	S46	Fostering Empathy in Pediatric Dysphagia Management: Strengthening Relational Competence and Therapeutic Alliances	Jones
	S47	Literacy 	Peterse 
	S48	Stuttering Therapy: The Lived Experience	Grossman
	S49	Holistic Care for Adolescents with CAS	Turner Swartz, Hitchcock, Cabbage, Csapo, Csapo, Russell
	S50	From Hospital Walls to School Halls: Transitions for Youth Post TBI	Peña

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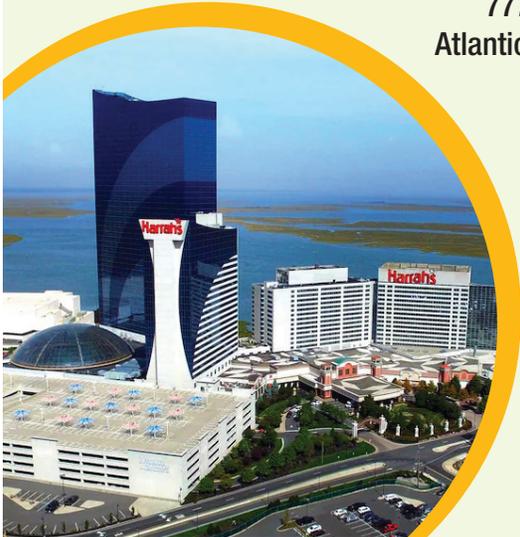
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## Harrah's Resort

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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>