

# MID-SOUTH CONFERENCE



**MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE**

**FEBRUARY 23-24, 2026**

**SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGY & AUDIOLOGY**



	Ballroom C	Bluff	Memphis A/B	Shelby
8 am	<p>Sophia Tusant <i>Challenging the Norms of Diagnostic Writing: Making Reports Accessible to Clients, Parents, and Professionals</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Lydia Perkins &amp; Amy Nabors <i>Out With the Old, In With the New: Updating Our Dysphagia &amp; Voice Practices</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Dr. Marc Fagelson <i>Tinnitus from Babylonia to Bimodal</i></p>	<p>Dr. Jeffrey Miller <i>What speech-language pathologists and audiologists need to know about IDEA and special education law</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>
9:30 am				
10 am	<p>Michelle L.W. Dawson <i>Caregivers: The Bedrock for Pediatric Feeding Disorder</i> 2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Alexis T. Jones <i>Accent Coaching with Adaptive Accents: An Unorthodox Clinical Approach</i> 2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE</p>	<p>3.5 hrs *30 minute break* 0.35 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Drs. Kelsey Mankel &amp; Caitlin Price <i>Waves in Practice: Audiologists' Perspectives on Electrophysiologic Assessments</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>
11:30 am				
12 pm	<p><b>Harold A. Price Awards Luncheon</b> Ballroom A</p>			<p>Boxed lunch available for purchase</p>
2 pm	<p>Michelle L.W. Dawson <i>Pediatric Feeding Disorder: The SLP's Role for Medical Domain</i> 2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Alexis T. Jones <i>Introspection &amp; Entrepreneurship as an SLP</i> 2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Dr. Ryan McCreery <i>Audiological outcomes validation for children with hearing loss</i></p>	<p>Dr. Lipika Sarangi <i>Implementing a Self-Efficacy-Based Auditory Rehabilitation Protocol in Audiology: Barriers and Facilitators</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>
3:30 pm				
4 pm				<p>Dr. Susan Elswick</p>
4:30 pm	<p>Jordan LeVan <i>From Experience To Evidence: A Comprehensive Look At CAS</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>	<p>Dr. Miriam van Mersbergen <i>Behavioral Strategies for Chronic Cough</i> 1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE</p>	<p>3.5 hrs *30 minute break* 0.35 ASHA CE</p>	<p><i>Trauma Informed Care: Understanding the Impact Trauma has on Clinical Relationships and Outcomes</i> 2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE</p>
6 pm	<p><b>Alumni Reception</b></p>			

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<b>8 am</b>		Tawni Ballinger, Justine Springs, & Kelli Owens  <i>Beyond Words: The Social and Communicative Power of Aphasia Group Interventions</i>  Dr. Laurie Mercado Gauger  <i>The Speech-Language Pathologist's Role in Dyslexia: Diagnosis and Treatment Considerations</i>  3.5 hrs *30 minute break* 0.35 ASHA CE	Dr. Marc Fagelson  <i>Applying counseling theory to improve hearing rehabilitation outcomes</i>  1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE	Poster Presentations  2 hrs (8 posters) 0.2 ASHA CE
<b>9:30 am</b>				
<b>10 am</b>				
<b>10:30 am</b>		Dr. Aaron M. Johnson  <i>What Does 'Aging Voice' Really Mean? Science, Symptoms, and Solutions</i>  2 hrs 0.2 ASHA CE	3.5 hrs *30 minute break* 0.35 ASHA CE	Dr. Thierry Morlet and Dr. Celine Richard  <i>Electrophysiology and Pediatric Hearing Disorders: Implications for Care Strategies and Language Development in Infants and Children</i>  1.5 hrs 0.15 ASHA CE
<b>12 pm</b>	<p><b>Karen F. Steckol Keynote Luncheon: Lead, Serve, Advocate: Inspiring Excellence in our Professions</b></p> <p>Dr. Tena McNamara 1.0 hr (0.1 ASHA CE)</p> <p>Lunch available for purchase</p>			

Green- Peds SLP, Blue-Adult SLP, Yellow- Peds AuD, Red - Adult AuD, Orange - Peds/Adults AuD, Purple-Crossover

**Poster Presentations:**

- Alireza Faghanoghani, BS and Jani Johnson, AuD, PhD: **Feature adjustment practices in hearing aid fittings**
- Amy Cox, BA and Kelsey Mankel, PhD: **Assessment of neural responses as a function of intensity during passive chirped-speech listening**
- Anna Parks Flynt, BS, Emma Kate Thompson, BA, and Thierry Morlet, PhD: **Assessment of auditory function of children with Auditory Neuropathy Spectrum Disorder and Cochlear Nerve Deficiency during speech listening tasks using cortical auditory evoked potentials**
- Courtney Harbaugh, BA; Katla Anderson, BA; and Jani Johnson, AuD, PhD: **Older Adults' Preferences for Over-the-Counter Hearing Aids versus Prescription Hearing Aids**
- Eden Landry, BA and Thierry Morlet, PhD: **Individual Measures of Signal-to-Noise Ratios Using Cortical Auditory Evoked Potentials**
- Hannah Bearson, BA; Brittany Chan-Smith, BA; and Deborah Moncrieff, PhD: **The Impact of Attention and Memory on Dichotic Listening**
- Isabel Martin, BA and Jani Johnson, AuD, PhD: **Experiences with Auditory Rehabilitation in the Mid-South United States**
- Isabelle Yap, BS and Sarah Warren, AuD, PhD, MPH: **Perceptions of Hearing loss and Cochlear Implants among Faith Based Leaders: The Memphis SOUND Project**
- Jada Wong: **Acquisition of Deaf Culture and Sign Language Competencies During Audiology Training: A Student's Perspective**
- Julia Nadeau, BS and Deborah Moncrieff, PhD: **Development of Spanish Dichotic Listening Tests**
- Maddy Piefer, BA; Edina Bene, PhD; Luca Campanelli, PhD; and Naomi Eichorn, PhD: **Attention networks in adults who stutter and nonstuttering controls**
- Mary Caroline Evangelisti, BS and Abby Shainberg, BSEd: **Empowering Communication in Acute Care**
- Mira Milman, BS and Sarah Warren, AuD, PhD, MPH: **Perceptions of public health education among audiologists with dual training**
- Ruth Ann Ramsey, BS and Sarah Warren, AuD, PhD, MPH: **Perceptions of Hearing Loss and Cochlear Implants among Primary Care Providers**
- Sydni McAtee, BS and Jordan Alyse Coffelt, AuD: **Clinical Time Distribution in Cochlear Implant Appointments**
- Victoria Elizabeth Williams BA, MS; Maddy Piefer, BA; Edina Bene, PhD; and Naomi Eichorn, PhD: **Threat-related attention bias in adults who stutter: Evidence from an eye tracking task**