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“Audiology & the Early Intervention Child:

Facilitated By: **Natalya Levi, Audiologist, M.S., CCC-A**

Assistive Technology for the Hearing Impaired Child

Facilitated By:

Solange Anderson, Pediatric Trainer, PHONAK

DATE:

*Weds.
March 10th 2010*

RSVP BY:

03/02/10



TIME:

9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.

FEE:

\$50 per person

** Complimentary to
EI Parents,
EI Officials &
Service Coordinators*

Located At:

New York’s Hotel Pennsylvania

~ The Penn Top North Room ♦ 18th Floor ~

401 Seventh Avenue (at 33rd Street)

Conveniently located across from Penn Station & Madison Square Garden

RSVP Via Kaitlin at **888-518-8716 ext. 2123** or

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Program Agenda



I. REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST: 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

II. "AUDIOLOGY & THE EARLY INTERVENTION CHILD: *Natalya Levi, M.S., CCC-A*

A. Definition of an Audiologist

- Audiologist's Role in Early Intervention

B. Inner Ear Anatomy

C. Types of Hearing Losses

- Audiogram Explained

D. Hearing Loss in Children

- Syndromes Associated with Hearing Loss
- Risk Factors Associated with Hearing Loss

E. Early Identification of Hearing Impairment

- Why is it Important to Identify at an Early Age?
- Joint Commission on Infant Screening

F. Degree of Hearing Impairment & Speech Understanding

- Mild-Severe Hearing Loss Explained

G. Suggested Questions to Ask Parents

H. VRA testing

- Age: 6 Months – 3 Years
- How is the Test Conducted
- ABR as an Additional Test

I. Rehabilitation Options for Children Who are Hearing Impaired

- Hearing Aids
- Assistive Listening Devices (FM)
- Cochlear Implants

J. Services Offered by *Primary Audiology*

K Pediatric Rehabilitation Video by PHONAK

III. LUNCH BREAK: 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

IV. ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY & THE HEARING IMPAIRED CHILD: *Solange Anderson, PHONAK*

- A. Demonstration & Overview on Pediatric Amplification & FM Systems

V. ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES



Our Services

RCDS contracts with **NYC DOH & Mental Hygiene** as well as **Orange County & Rockland County DOH** to provide the following quality-based **EI services**:

- **SCREENINGS & MULTI-DISCIPLINARY EVALUATIONS**

- Monolingual & Bilingual

- **HOME/COMMUNITY-BASED INTERVENTIONS**

- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Vision Therapy
- Nutrition Services
- Applied Behavior Analysis
- Psychological Services
- Special Instruction
- Family Training
- Social Work Services

- **GROUP DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES:** NYC EIP Only

- **INITIAL SERVICE COORDINATION:** NYC EIP Only

- **ONGOING SERVICE COORDINATION**

- NYC Boroughs; Rockland & Orange Counties

{Bilingual Spanish & Hebrew Available}

In **Rockland & Orange Counties** RCDS is also contracted to provide the following **preschool services**:

- **HOME/COMMUNITY-BASED PRESCHOOL RELATED SERVICES** (for authorized children ages 3-5)

- Speech Therapy - Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy - Counseling

Children must first be **assessed & qualify** for related services via their respective county's **Committee of Preschool Special Education (CPSE)** program. The duration, frequency & location of service is based on each child's **Individualized Education Plan (IEP)**. There is **NO COST** to parents of *eligible children* for *authorized services*.

Our Professionals

RCDS utilizes a team of **licensed and/or certified** professionals to provide services to our children & families. Our **network of professionals** includes but is not limited to:

- Physicians & Physician's Assistants
- Speech-Language Pathologists
- Board Certified Behavior Analysts
- Teachers of the Vision & Hearing Impaired
- Occupational Therapists
- Special Educators
- Physical Therapists
- Clinical Psychologists
- Clinical Social Workers
- Dietitians/Nutritionists

Some of our professionals are **BILINGUAL** in languages such as Spanish, Yiddish, French, Italian, Hebrew, Greek, Tagalog, German, Chinese, Russian, Polish, Korean, Arabic, Bengali, Portuguese, Hindi, Japanese, Vietnamese & French Creole.

Our professionals must comply with all DOH personnel requirements for qualified EI providers including a **NYS Central Register of Child Abuse & Maltreatment Clearance**, **NYS DOH EI approval**, reference checks, **annual medicals**, certification or license verification & ongoing early childhood training.



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About Us...

RCDS is a **New York State Department of Health (DOH)** approved Early Intervention provider which contracts to serve families in the **Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, Rockland & Orange Counties.**

RCDS is also authorized to provide developmental **preschool services** to eligible children residing in **Rockland County & Orange County.**

RCDS has been serving families since 1999. The agency was established by a local **Physical Therapist** and became part of **The MENTOR Network** in 2006. Founded in 1980, **The MENTOR Network** is a national network of local human services providers offering an array of **quality, community-based services** to children & adults with developmental disabilities or traumatic brain injuries.

RCDS & The MENTOR Network are committed to **reducing developmental delays among eligible children.** We seek to effectively assist and **empower families** to meet their child's and/or their own needs through a variety of home & community-based interventions. Since the agency's inception, **our mission** has never wavered from its goal:

“Building Relationships. Enhancing Lives.”

Check Us Out Online At: www.rcdseip.com & www.thementornetwork.com
