Communication Deadly Sins

Student Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Meetings are a Spring time activity. Teams discuss the services and supports that students need to be successful and that provide access to school environments – classroom to playground.

Communication IS essential for active and meaningful participation in school. Students who do not currently have multi-modal communication and use of AAC NEED continued services from a speech language pathologist as well as other related services team members.

Physical Therapists ensure that the positioning of the student is optimal for accessing AAC devices; Occupational Therapists assist with identifying sensory pathways and fine motor use. Assistive Technology Specialists help the team think through the types of devices that might make communication easier and expandable to include academics, peer conversation topics, and basic needs. Vision and Hearing specialists help us adapt materials and provide appropriate alternatives.

The deadly sin is RELEASING students who do not use oral speech from speech language services for “lack of progress”. It is the knowledgeable TEAM working together to solve the unique challenges that our students bring, who make life long differences for students.

Intervention Helps!

Need help with an individual student’s communication or want to start a district team?

Apply for Tier 2 or 3 Technical Assistance & Coaching

Contact: Jacqui Kearns for an application packet

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To earn ASHA CEUs you must:

- Pre-register for the course through your LIC
- Bring your ASHA number the day of the course
- Complete ASHA CEU form the day of the course
- Be present for the entire course. No partial credit will be provided

**Need CEUS?**

Check out the **NCSC Communication Tool Kit** for 3 hours of ASHA Certified CEUs  

**Listen Up Series** –  
https://msd1stop.hdiuk.org/index.php/Teaching_Age-Appropriate_Academic_Learning_via_Communication_(TAALC)

**Planning for Next Year? Want some new ideas?**

Check our Archived Webinar Series

- **Core Vocabulary**
- **Visual Scene Display**
- **Peers – The Communication Super-Heroes**

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