

**Texas Laryngectomee Association Annual Conference 2012**  
**DoubleTree Hotel, Houston Intercontinental Airport**  
**February 10-12, 2012**

**Friday, February 10, 2012**

*Friday's program from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. is for training of Speech Language Pathologists and graduate students.*

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| 7:30-8:00 am     | <b>SLP/Student Registration</b><br>Pam Ulrich, San Angelo<br>Kay Yetter, Spring   |
| 8:00-8:05 am     | <b>Student Welcome</b><br>Carla Lynch, TLA Chairman, Longview<br>Candy Moltz, MS, CCC-SLP; Dallas VA Medical Center   |
| 8:05-8:50 am     | <b>Anatomy and Physiology</b><br>Amy C. Hessel, MD FACS<br>Associate Professor and Director of Head and Neck Surgery Fellowship<br>Department of Head and Neck Surgery<br>MD Anderson Cancer Center   |
| 8:50 – 10:00 am  | <b>Physician Evaluation of the New Patient / Surgery and Treatment Options for Head and Neck Cancer</b><br>Amy C. Hessel, MD FACS<br>Associate Professor and Director of Head and Neck Surgery Fellowship<br>Department of Head and Neck Surgery<br>MD Anderson Cancer Center |
| 10:00 – 10:15 am | <i>Break</i>  |
| 10:15-10:45 am   | <b>Pre-Operative Counseling</b><br>Rayna Bohmann, MA, CCC-SLP<br>Manager of Speech Pathology<br>Baylor College of Medicine<br>Ben Taub General Hospital   |
| 10:45 – 11:30 am | <b>Swallowing after Total Laryngectomy</b><br>Carol Blossom Stach, MA, CCC-SLP, BRS-S<br>Michael E. DeBakey, MD VA Medical Center<br>Houston, Texas   |
| 11:30 – 12:30 pm | Lunch   |
| 12:30 – 1:30 pm  | <b>Esophageal Speech</b><br>Susan Reeves, M.S., CCC-SLP, San Angelo   |
| 1:30 – 2:45 pm   | <b>Artificial Larynx Intro and Group Demonstration</b><br>Candy Moltz, MS, CCC-SLP<br>Dallas VA Medical Center  |

- 2:45 – 3:00 pm      *Break*
- 3:00 – 5:30 pm      **Overview of TEP with Hands on Demonstration**  
Jodi Knott, M.S., CCC/SLP  
Clinical Coordinator of Speech Pathology and Audiology  
MD Anderson Cancer Center

**Friday Schedule for Laryngectomy participants:**

**DoubleTree Hotel**

12:00 pm Registration  
Pam Ulrich, San Angelo  
Kay Yetter, Spring

- 1:30 – 3:30 pm      **Volunteer Training Program**  
Jessie Hart, Grand Prairie  
Ann McKennis, RN, CNOR(E), CORLN(E), The Woodlands  
*An opportunity for laryngectomees to learn the qualifications and responsibilities of being a pre/post-op visitor to someone who has had a laryngectomy surgery. **Must attend entire training program to receive card as proof of completion.***

- 1:30 – 3:30 pm      **New Laryngectomy Welcome**  
Susan Reeves, MS, CCC-SLP, San Angelo  
*The TLA would like to welcome our new laryngectomees and their families to the TLA conference. This is an excellent opportunity to meet each other and make the most of your TLA weekend.*

**Friday Evening for All:**

- 6:30 – 8:00 pm      **Meet & Greet**  
Hosted by the Spring Lost Chords Club  
*Time to relax and socially network with all attendees. Light refreshments will be available.*

**Saturday, February 11, 2012**

- 7:00-9:00 am      **Registration**  
Pam Ulrich, San Angelo  
Kay Yetter, Spring
- 7:00-8:00 am      **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00-8:15 am      **Opening Ceremonies**  
Carla Lynch, TLA Chairman, Longview
- 8:15 – 8:30 am      **Vendor Introduction**
- 8:30-10:00 am      **Mix and Match**  
Elizabeth Durand MS, CCC-SLP, Flower Mound  
*SLPs, laryngectomees, and their spouses will share their experiences in a casual atmosphere.*

- 10:00-10:30 am      **Vendor Visitation and Break**
- 10:30 am-12:00 pm   **Survivorship**  
Mary Jane Renner, M.S.W
- 12:00-1:00 pm      Lunch
- 1:00-2:00 pm.      **Medical Panel**  
*An opportunity to ask your questions to an otolaryngologist, physician/laryngectomee, and speech language pathologist. Cards to write your questions will be provided and the panel will be fielding questions from the audience.*
- 2:00-3:00pm        **The Ins and Outs of Reimbursement**  
Julie Bishop-Leone, MS, CCC-SLP, League City, TX  
*An overview for laryngectomees and SLPs working with laryngectomees addressing how to maximize insurance benefits for post-laryngectomy rehabilitation items such as TEP supplies, HMEs, electrolarynx supplies and more.*
- 3:00-3:30 pm      **Vendor Visitation and Break**
- 3:30-5:00 pm      **Voice Training (TEP, EL, and Esophageal)**  
*SLP participants will observe therapeutic intervention with laryngectomees by rotating thru therapy sessions for all 3 methods of alaryngeal speech. Laryngectomees are strongly encouraged to participate in the therapy of their choice.*  
**Esophageal Speech:** Susan Reeves, MA, CCC-SLP  
Elizabeth Durand MS, CCC-SLP  
**Electrolarynx:** Candy Moltz, MS, CCC-SLP  
Rayna Bohmann, MA, CCC-SLP  
**TEP :** Jodi Knott, MS, CCC-SLP  
Joanna Brown, MS, CCC-SLP
- 3:30-5:00 pm      **Caregiver Rap Session – Caregiver/Families only**  
Mary Jane Renner, M.S.W.  
Ann McKennis, RN, CNOR(E), CORLN(E), The Woodlands  
*This is a chance for spouses and family of laryngectomees to share their experiences. This is a **closed** session for spouses and family members only.*
- 5:00-5:30 pm      **Club TLA**  
Carla Lynch, TLA Chairman, Longview  
*Open to all Laryngectomees and Families. This session is our annual meeting to discuss the TLA's future plans. For the TLA to grow and continue to succeed, we need YOU to join us in helping others who have had a total laryngectomy.*
- 6:30 pm            **Cash Bar**
- 7:00 pm            **Banquet**  
Carla Lynch, TLA Chairman, Longview

**Sunday, February 12, 2012**

- 7:30-8:00 am      Breakfast

8:00 – 8:30 am      Devotional  
Rev. Tom Holcomb, Huntsville

**For SLPs and Grad Students:**

8:30 – 9:30am      **Ask an SLP**  
Joanna Brown, MS, CCC-SLP; Parkland Hospital  
Jodi Knott, MS, CCC-CLP; MD Anderson Cancer Center  
Candy Moltz, MS, CCC-SLP; Dallas VA Medical Center  
Susan Reeves, MS, CCC-SLP  
*A final opportunity to ask your questions about everything you have learned this weekend.*

9:30-9:45 am      **Break**

9:45 – 10:45 am      **Where Do I Go From Here? Therapy Planning, Goals and Resources**  
Joanna Brown, MS, CCC-SLP  
Speech Pathology Manager  
Parkland Hospital  
*SLP participants will learn how to develop treatment plans and goals specific to post-laryngectomy rehabilitation by utilizing pre-made and self generated resources.*

10:45 – 11:45 am      **HME**  
Jodi Knott, MS, CCC-SLP; MD Anderson Cancer Center  
*SLP participants will learn about the use of heat moisture exchangers in the pulmonary rehabilitation of the total laryngectomy patient.*

**For Laryngectomee participants:**

8:30 – 9:30 am      **CPR – Advocating for Emergency Situations**

9:30-9:45 am      Break

9:45 – 10:30      **Advocacy**  
Ann McKennis, RN, CNOR(E), CORLN(E), The Woodlands

10:30 – 11:45      **The IAL**  
Bob Herbst, Fort Pierce FL

**For All Participants:**

11:45am      **Raffle & Closing**

12:00      **Professional/Student Check out**  
*Please have your conference evaluation forms completed and ready to exchange for your continuing education certificate. Students, please have your clinical clock hour forms completed and ready for signature.*  
Candy Moltz, MS, CCC-SLP, Midlothian