

# 15TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR AUGMENTATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE COMMUNICATION (ISAAC)

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The International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC) works to improve the lives of children and adults who use AAC. ISAAC's vision is that AAC will be recognized, valued and used throughout the world. ISAAC's mission is to promote the best possible communication for people with complex communication needs.

The 15th Biennial Conference of ISAAC will be held from July 28 to August 4, 2012, in Pittsburgh, PA, USA.

## ISAAC RESEARCH SYMPOSIUMS

Research Symposia will be held August 3-4, over a two-day period following the Main Conference. Participants will explore theoretical, methodological and empirical issues of interest within the scientific community.

The Symposium will include a working seminar on **Tele-AAC: AAC Meets Telerehabilitation: Envisioning Transformative Tele-AAC Research**. This seminar is geared toward researchers, clinicians, educators and students who are interested in acquiring current information about telerehabilitation (telepractice) so that they might engage in and/or become knowledgeable consumers of Tele-AAC Research and identify current and future research needs and opportunities.

**Module 1** of this three-part seminar is designed to brief non-telepractitioners on current definitions, telerehabilitation applications, potential barriers (privacy, reimbursement, licensure), and developing technologies from the perspective of researchers in the federally funded Research Engineering Research Center (RERC) on Telerehabilitation at the University of Pittsburgh.

In **Module 2**, researchers engaged in Tele-AAC clinical research will present current exemplars.

**Module 3** will focus on the future -- engaging AAC researchers, telepractitioners, and most importantly, end-users, to envision the possibilities for both fundamental and transformational Tele-AAC research.

Faculty include: Ellen Cohn, PhD, CCC-SLP seminar organizer/moderator; Bruce Baker, AB, AM; David Brienza, PhD; Clifford E. Brubaker, PhD; Donald Egolf, PhD; Andrew Gomory, MS; Andy Jenks, MA CCC-SLP, ATP; Edmund Frank LoPresti, PhD; Richard M. Schein, PhD, MPH; Katherine Seelman, PhD; Richard Simpson, PhD; Richard Steele, PhD; and Valerie J. M. Watzlaf, PhD, RHIA, FAHIMA.

For additional information: <http://www.isaac-online.org/english/isaac-conference>

