



**Conference Highlights:
MSHA Annual Conference
March 21-23, 2019
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center,
East Lansing, Michigan**

The 2019 MSHA Annual Conference is a work in progress! Here is our line-up thus far:

Thursday, March 21, 2019:

▲ **Laura E. Swanson, Director/Producer *Break the Chain Productions***, will present a 1-hour class in the afternoon on the topic of *Human Trafficking*.

▲ A class on **Pain Management** will be offered in the evening. Both of these classes will satisfy requirements for the SLP License.

Friday, March 22, 2019:

▲ **Lynn Dudek, M.S., CCC-SLP, Hilliard, Ohio**, will present two Short Courses: *Making a Difference with ASDs: When SLPs and Behavior-Based Interventions Come Together*

▲ **Jeffrey Searl, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, ASHA Fellow, Michigan State University**, will present two Short Courses on the topics of: *Oral and Oro-Pharyngeal Cancer* and *Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis – with updates on treatment of the disease, diagnosis, and management of communication and swallowing*.

▲ **Rachael Langley, M.A., CCC-SLP, Eaton RESA**, will be our **Keynote Speaker** at our MSHA Awards Luncheon. Rachael Langley is a Speech-Language Pathologist working as an Augmentative/Alternative Communication (AAC) Specialist at Eaton RESA. Her 15-year career has focused primarily on supporting students with complex communication needs. A graduate of MSU, she has served as a clinical faculty member and guest lecturer at several Michigan universities. She is one of the founders and organizers of the #TalkingAAC Conference, the only conference of its kind in Michigan. Rachael has presented at state, regional, and national conferences on the topic of AAC.

Saturday, March 23, 2019:

▲ **Erik X. Raj, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Misericordia University, Pennsylvania**, will present two Short Courses: *Unique Speech-Language Therapy: Wonderful Websites with Practical Therapy Tips* in the morning; and in the afternoon *Creative Ideas for Using iPad Apps in Speech-Langue Therapy*.

▲ **Ed M. Bice, M.Ed., CCC-SLP, Accelerated Care Plus, Abingdon, Virginia**, will present two Short Courses: *Myths in Dysphagia* and *Best Practices in the Treatment of Dysphagia*.

Look on the MSHA website for the **2019 Call for Papers** and share your expertise with your colleagues! The 2019 MSHA Annual Conference is a work in progress and future details will be on our website and in the MSHA newsletter *et cetera*. **Poster Sessions** will be offered for all. The **MSHF Silent Auction** will be featured as well as classes for Undergraduate and Graduate Students to help prepare for the Praxis Exam, graduate school admission, job searches, etc.

See you next year in East Lansing!

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