



11th Annual Therapy Assistant Education Day

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Conference Date: Friday, April 20th, 2018
Location: Radisson Hotel & Conference Centre
6620 36th ST NE, Calgary, AB, T3J 4C8

The Therapy Assistant Association of Alberta is pleased to announce the 11th Annual Therapy Assistant Education Day.

This year we are using the theme, “**Quality of Life**”. We invite applications for sessions that relate to improving the “Quality of Life” for clients, patients, caregivers, families, staff, therapists etc. The theme provides a wide-open interpretation as to what and how we can improve someone’s “Quality of Life”.

Practitioners and clinicians from all practice settings are encouraged to share their insights, experience, methods and research. We are seeking practical and interactive sessions pertaining to areas of practice for Therapy Assistants in occupational, physical, speech language and recreational therapy.

Some examples are:

- Client-centered care
- Rural and isolated service delivery
- Working in a multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary setting
- Mental Health
- Leadership in an assistant role

These sessions should provide an opportunity for interactive discussion of practice and professional issues and be approximately 60 or 90 minutes in duration.

We invite everyone – Assistants, Therapists, Educators, Students, Managers, Equipment Specialists and others – to share your knowledge, skills and experiences with us. Multidisciplinary and team presentations are also welcome!

We do provide a small honorarium, per session or team, as a thank you for volunteering your time and expertise.

Conference registration will be waived for all selected presenters.

To submit your presentation ideas please fill out the form on the following page then save it and email it on or before January 31st, 2018 to: promotions@thaaa.ca



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Speaker's Contract

1. Please provide us with the following presentation information for the brochure:

Title	
Length	60 or 90 minutes
Target audience (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> OTA <input type="checkbox"/> PTA <input type="checkbox"/> SLPA <input type="checkbox"/> RTA
Presentation summary for use in brochure (expand box as needed)	
Goals and learning objectives	i.e. participants will become familiar with/learn about current practices in...

1. Audio/visual requirements needed for your presentation:

2. Please provide us with your professional designation and biographical information, as you would like to have displayed in our brochure and for the introduction for your session - including education, previous workshops, research etc... (can be a separate attachment if you need additional space)

3. Are you able to be our guest for lunch? ___ Yes ___ No

Special dietary considerations: _____

If there is more than one presenter, please provide their names and if they have any special dietary considerations.



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4. We would like to offer webinars throughout the year. Would you be willing to be a webinar presenter if we are unable to schedule you in on the Education Day?
 Yes No

I can only present at the Education Day.

I can present in a webinar on a different agreed upon date.

5. If you are a private business, is there a cost for your presentation?

6. I am volunteering my time and willing to accept the offered honorarium?
 Yes No

7. Please provide us with your contact information:

Name:

Phone #:

E-Mail address:

We will be in touch with you as soon as final decisions are made on conference speakers. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at promotions@thaaa.ca

Session suggestions provided on the following page.



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Session ideas & requests by members:

- Stroke
- Geriatrics
- Depression
- Multiple modalities
- *Early onset dementia therapy
- Hands on training in all TA areas
- Blended roles of the TA
- Obesity patient rehab
- Challenges in acute care
- Best Practices for Progress Notes
- Benefits of TA's working in Mental Health
- *Neuro and adult related therapy activities
- *Multidisciplinary Team Therapy
- *Rec Therapy activities with Adults
- *Specific Post-OP therapy eg: shoulder replacement
- *Specific speech therapy strategies for Adults
- *Tablet / IPAD / Smart Phone use and Apps
 - **Augmentative Communication
 - *Apraxia strategies & activities
 - *Aphasia strategies & activities
 - Fluency strategies & activities
 - *TBI speech-language for Adults
(Executive Functioning activities)
- Group Therapy activities & strategies
- Pre-school and Classroom based strategies
- AADL Equipment eg: new equipment, specific training

- topics that have be requested multiple of times