



12th Annual Therapy Assistant Education Day

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Conference date: May 3rd, 2019

Location: Radisson Hotel

6500 67 Street, Red Deer AB, T4P 1A2

The Therapy Assistant Association of Alberta is pleased to announce the 12th Annual Therapy Assistant Education Day.

This year our theme is **“TA’s on the Move”**. We invite applications for sessions that relate to our theme “TA’s on the Move” and how it benefits clients, patients, caregivers, families, staff, therapists etc. The theme provides a fairly wide-open interpretation as to what it means to be “TA’s on the Move”. We would love to see how you interpret the theme and what you would like to share with other TA’s in the field.

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/or 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 to 90 minutes in duration.

We invite all of you – Assistants, Therapists, Educators, Students, Managers, Equipment Specialists and others – to share your knowledge, skills and experiences.

Multidisciplinary and team presentations are welcome!

We do provide a small honorarium per session or team as a thank you for 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 and email it on or before January 31st, 2019 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 also like to start offering webinars through out 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 only present in a webinar on a different scheduled day.

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.

Tips for a good session: Make it interactive, less lecture more involvement, provide hands on learning, include movement, allow for discussion, provide information/activities to take away and implement, have fun!



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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 and Planning Activities
TA's working in Mental Health, Addictions/substance use
Neuro and adult related therapy activities
*Multidisciplinary Team Therapy
*Rec Therapy activities with Adults
Specific Post-OP therapy eg: amputation, 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
Complex language delays/disorders
AADL Equipment eg: new equipment, specific training
Conflict resolution, reducing stress
Pediatric Therapy
Music Therapy