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## **Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display (PODD) Introductory Workshop**

**Two-Day Workshop presented by Gayle Porter**

**WORKSHOP DATE: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

**Time:** 9.00am - 4.30pm (Registration: 8.30am)

**Venue:** Mount Ommaney Special School  
94 Capitol Drive  
MOUNT OMMANEY  
(on-site & street parking available)

**Target Audience:** **special school/SEU/ECDP teachers, teacher aides, speech pathologists, SLP/teaching students, parents and other support staff**

**RSVP:** **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October (numbers will be limited – so hurry!)**

**Gayle Porter** is a Speech Pathologist with over 25 years hands on experience working with people with complex communication needs. Gayle lectures both locally and internationally about Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) and Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Displays (PODD). Gayle currently works at the Cerebral Palsy Education Centre and has a private practice working with both children and teenagers with complex communication needs in their local schools. Gayle is the co-author of "Integrating Augmentation and Alternative Communication into Principles of Conductive Education". She contributed a chapter to the book "Communication Without Speech": (Bloomberg & Johnson 1991) Gayle is a highly sort after international presenter.

**Helen Tanish** is a Speech Pathologist with over 15 years experience working with people with complex communications needs. Helen specialises in whole language and Augmentative and Alternative Communication with preschool and school aged children. Helen works at the Cerebral Palsy Education Centre, and has a private practice working with children with complex communication needs in their local schools.

## **Workshop Content**

The Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display (PODD) approach provides strategies to support the design, production and implementation of communication systems to enable genuine communication for a variety of functions in all daily environments. PODD includes strategies to minimise some of the common difficulties associated with the use of multi-level communication books including:

- Supporting the child and communication partners to efficiently move between levels (pages) to locate vocabulary they require.
- Speed to access vocabulary to produce messages.
- Quicker access to predictable messages and access to a broad range of vocabulary for spontaneous, unpredicted messages.

The PODD resource provides generic templates which can be customised to suit individual requirements. Generic templates can be used for trial to enable more informed system development and then be customised to suit individualised needs. PODD can be used to create a wide range of communication books to suit varying communication, language, sensory and physical access requirements.

Creative and practical solutions will be demonstrated through videos and case examples. Participants will have the opportunity for hands on supported practice using PODD communication books.

## **Learning Outcomes**

Participants will be able to:

- Describe the challenges faced by professionals creating communication systems in terms of vocabulary organisation, layout, design, range of access strategies and customizing for individual requirements.
- Discuss the features of a PODD communication system in terms of vocabulary organization, layout, design, range of access strategies and customizing for individual requirements.
- Use PODD generic template resources to produce customised communication books.
- Discuss the teaching and learning strategies for implementing PODD communication systems with students and team members.
- Teach children and partners to use PODD communication books in daily environments.

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
 AGOSCI PODD Introductory 2-day workshop– Gayle Porter  
 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2009

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Role/Roles: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_ \_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Registration includes morning tea and lunch (Please tick any dietary requirements)

- Vegetarian       Wheat &/or Gluten Free

**REGISTRATION FEES**  
**RSVP by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

2009 AGOSCI Members	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300.00 (including GST)
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Students	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00 (including GST)
<b>TOTAL</b>	

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