



**Building engagement for learning
using the DIR model, Regulatory support plan
and Developmental language intervention**

for
The Child with special needs
Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd May 2012
for Professionals & Parents

Presented by: Michele Ricamato, M.A. CCC-Speech and Language Pathologist

Introduction to key principles and research that supports the application of a developmental model within clinical, home and educational settings

- Working together: Interdisciplinary teams and Parents
- Exploring the child's unique profile & needs, including sensory, motor, & language areas.
- Individualized Regulatory Support Plan (IRSP) from *Soaring Eagle*: Relevance and benefit to attention & learning
- Working together towards an integrated understanding of the building blocks of engagement, communication and developmental language models
- Key assessment questions and intervention goals (Goal bank from *Soaring Eagle*) and strategies that inform in-home support, IEP inclusion and goal setting in clinical and educational environments. Reference to developmental interventions including DIR floortime:
Developmental Individualised Relationship based model.
- The impact of individual needs on the child's intentionality, planning, ideation and execution
- Supporting individualised regulatory capacities for learning and interaction with additional focus upon the need for our sensitivity to the child's language comprehension levels.

Video taped segments will support learning.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This training is designed for Parents, Speech & Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Health and Educational professionals, Mental Health professionals, Nurses, Play Therapists, Psychologists, Teachers and special needs assistants.

PARENTS

The training will explore ways to support warm connection and engagement for learning, and help to understand what your child is communicating about and how s/he is sending messages to you. With the help of ways to keep the child calm and regulated, Michele will explore the child's unique strengths and challenges in sharing meaning with others in everyday life.

Michele is a licensed speech and language pathologist, who works primarily with children diagnosed on the autistic spectrum. She has been in private practice since 1997 and worked in an early childhood school setting prior to that. She has participated in the certification process for DIR floortime and is a certified SLP and trainer/tutor and is a faculty for the ICDL institute where she trains and supports those that are part of certification. Michele co-teaches the language development and language practicum courses for the ICDL graduate school, a doctoral program for those interested in Infant and early childhood mental health and developmental disorders. (www.icdl.com) She has an interest in developmental speech and language therapeutic work and uses the science and sequence of developmental language acquisition to guide her evaluation and intervention of children. Michele has consulted in many public school districts in Illinois and is one of three founders of a private school Soaring Eagle Academy www.soaringeagleacademy.org for children with special needs that incorporates DIR floortime and developmental language models into its academic programming. Soaring Eagle Academy provides integrated programming to meet each child's unique needs. Michele is a mother of three children under the age of 10 and has learned the most about development and language acquisition through her interactions and experience as a parent.



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Dates: Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd May 2012
Venue: Galway Bay Hotel, Galway, Ireland
9.00 AM – 5.00 PM each day

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made at least two weeks prior to the course, after which no refunds will be granted..
Any refunds issued prior to that date will be subject to a €50 processing fee.



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Workshop fee inclusive of handout materials, certificate of attendance, coffees, and lunches.

Professionals Fee: 225 euro

Parents Fee: 160 euro

Name:

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Address:

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Telephone No.: Mobile No.....

Email:

Please let us know if you wish to be part of Training Ways E mail list YES NO

Parent Professional

If you are a parent: Age of your child _____

Professional Details (Place of work and Clinical speciality/Interest)

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Fee Enclosed

Receipt of cheque will secure a place on the training course, and applications will be taken on a first come first served basis

Dietary requirements:

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Signature:Date:.....

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