



Augmentative Communication & ALS

An Intensive Two Day Training:

Providing Effective Communication Solutions for
People with ALS
and other Degenerative Neuromuscular Disabilities

CEU Credits Available
ASHA, RESNA, IACET

Cost of Two Day Workshop
\$150.00

Location:	Dates:	Days
<input type="checkbox"/> Santa Cruz	Sept. 16 & 17, 2006	Sat/Sun
<input type="checkbox"/> San Francisco	Oct. 21 & 22, 2006	Sat/Sun
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacramento	Nov. 3 & 4, 2006	Fri/Sat

Participants will receive:

- Effective communication boards for people with ALS
- Ready-made client handouts
- Guidelines for conducting a comprehensive evaluation
- Testing procedures for cognitive changes (FTD)
- The Do's and Don'ts of insurance funding
- Report Templates which fulfill Medicare guidelines
- Access to an ongoing AAC-ALS listserv (email discussion group)

This Workshop Sponsored by:

The ALS Association

Bay Area &
Sacramento
Chapters



The ALS Center at UCSF
The Forbes-Norris ALS / MDA
Research Center



DAY 1

9:30-10:00	Registration
10:00-11:00	Overview of ALS
11:00-11:30	AAC Terms
11:30-12:30	Lunch
12:30-2:30	Communication Interventions
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-4:45	Evaluation for Speech Generating Devices (SGD)
4:45-5:15	Funding Issues

DAY 2

9:30-10:30	Physical Access Options
10:30-12:00	How to Provide a Physical Access Evaluation
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Customizing Language in a Communication System
2:00-2:30	Case Studies: Presented by Instructors
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-3:45	Case Study: Small Group Learning Activity
3:45- 4:45	Course Overview & Evaluation

Who Should Attend?

- SLPs with little or no AAC experience interested in an opportunity to learn skills that apply to a wide variety of populations
- Seasoned professionals eager to develop well thought out communication solutions for clients with progressive disabilities
- Assistive Technology Specialists & Occupational Therapists

About the Instructors:

Amy Román and Margaret Cotts together have 20 years of experience in the fields of AAC and Assistive Technology.

Both have specialized in AAC for People with ALS over the past six years.

Margaret and Amy jointly run the ALSA Bay Area AAC / AT Lending Library.

For Additional Information, Please Contact:

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NOTE:

All participants will be emailed additional information, and locations of the workshops.

Augmentative Communication & ALS Registration Form

To register, please print out the form below (page 2 of this document), and mail to:

Forbes-Norris ALS MDA Research Center
2324 Sacramento Street, SF, CA 94115
Attn: Amy Román

Name _____

Title _____

Email (Required) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

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If paying by check, please make out to:
ALSA, Bay Area Chapter

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Method of Payment

☐ Check

☐ Visa

☐ MasterCard

Credit Card # _____

CEU UNITS:

There is an additional \$16 processing fee for participants who wish to receive CEU units, payable by check at the time of the workshop

REFUND POLICY

All refund requests must be received in writing **3 (three) weeks prior to workshop date**; refunds will not be issued after that date. Refunds will be made, less a 30% processing fee, after the actual program date

ASHA Continuing Education State License Renewal:

This program meets the qualifications for 12 hours of continuing professional development credit for speech language pathologists and audiologists as required by the California Speech-Language-Pathology and Audiology Board (CSFA PDP #1)

ASHA CEUs:

The California Speech-Language- Hearing Association is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. This program is offered for 1.2 CEUs (Beginning level: Professional Area). ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

