

**2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**
**Saturday, October 5, 2024**

8:30-8:45	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	
8:45-9:45	Keynote: <b>Expanding the Reach and Scope of Care for Children with Selective Mutism: Leveraging Novel Treatment Formats and Innovative Technologies</b> , Jonathan S. Comer, Ph.D.	
9:45-10:00	<b>Break</b>	
	<b>Professional</b>	<b>Caregiver-Friendly</b>
10:00-11:00	<b>Working with Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Children with SM</b> Bella Li, ME.d., MA., NCSP, Tracey Ward, Ph.D., Carmen M. Tumialan Lynas, Ph.D., Rachel Merson, Psy.D., Jami Furr, Ph.D., Yoko Shibata, Ph.D.	<b>Nuts and Bolts: Brave Practices at School</b> Taylor Hicks-Hoste, Ph.D., LP, NCSP, Emily (Doll) Laracy, M.A., M.S., CCC-SLP
11:00-11:10	<b>Break</b>	
11:10-12:10	<b>Tricks for Tweens: Modifying SM Treatment Techniques to Enhance Motivation and Engagement in Preadolescent Patients</b> Kathryn Keough, Ph.D., Melissa Jeffay, Psy.D.	<b>When it's More than Just the Talking: Strategies for Helping Children Increase Behavioral Engagement and Use the Bathroom</b> Rachel Busman, Psy.D., ABPP, Emily (Doll) Laracy, M.A., M.S., CCC-SLP, Eleanor Ezell, LCSW
12:10-1:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:30-2:30	<b>Flexing More than Brave Muscles: Strategic Flexibility in Evidence-Based Practice to Address Complex Cases</b> Rachel Merson, Psy.D., Rachel Busman, Psy.D., ABPP, Eleanor Ezell, LCSW, Jami Furr, Ph.D., Alison Miller, Psy.D., Veronica Raggi, Ph.D.	<b>Making Teletherapy Work for Selective Mutism</b> Evelyn Klein, Ph.D., CCC/SLP, BCS-CL, Cesar E. Ruiz, SLP.D., CCC/SLP, BCS-S
2:30-2:40	<b>Break</b>	
2:40-3:40	<b>Breaking the Silence: Barriers to Progress in the Treatment of SM</b> Elisa Shipon-Blum, DO, Jenna Blum, Psy.D.	<b>All Things Extracurricular: Incorporating Exposure Therapy into After-School Activities for Children and Adolescents with SM</b> Katelyn Reed, M.S., LLP, Becky Thomson, Ph.D.
3:40-3:50	<b>Break</b>	
3:50-4:50	<b>Helping Clients "Get Heard!": Implementation and Utility of a 3-hour Adjunctive Group Treatment Program</b> Brittney Evans, Ph.D., Kaitlyn Wilbur-Smith, Psy.D., Ellyn Schmidt, Ph.D., NCSP	<b>Medication Strategies for Treating Selective Mutism: Balancing Professional Insight and Personal Experience</b> Rupal Upadhyay, MD, FAAP
4:50-5:00	<b>Break</b>	
5:00-6:30	<b>Mix n' Mingle Connection Hour and Poster Session</b>	

Sunday, October 6, 2024

	Professional	Caregiver-Friendly
8:30-9:30	<p><b><i>Prospect of Using Virtual Reality as a Tool in the Treatment of SM</i></b>            Poling Bork, Ph.D., Angela Dzyundzyak, M.A., Ph.D., Snežana Obradović-Ratković, Ph.D.</p>	<p><b><i>Modifying Behavior Therapy for Adolescents with Selective Mutism</i></b>            Aimee Kotrba, Ph.D., Katelyn Reed, M.S., LLP</p>
9:30-9:40	Break	
9:40-10:40	<p><b><i>Meeting the Social (Pragmatic) Language Needs of Students with SM</i></b>            Kristin Rae Mathis, M.S., CCC-SLP</p>	<p><b><i>Tips on How to Maximize Insurance Coverage for Exposure Therapy in Selective Mutism / Social Anxiety Treatment</i></b>            Carmen M. Tumialan Lynas, Ph.D.</p>
10:40-10:50	Break	
10:50-11:50	<p><b><i>Writing SMART Goals for School-Based Intervention for SM</i></b>            Brittany Bice-Urbach, Ph.D.</p>	<p><b><i>Caring for the Caregiver: When and How to Find Support for Yourself</i></b>            Catherine C. Eckel, Ph.D.</p>
11:50-12:00	Break	
12:00-12:30	HOV	
12:30-1:00	Expert Q&A	
1:00-1:15	Closing Remarks	