VISION 2020
Clinical Evaluation and Management of Visual and Perceptual Impairments:
A Hands-On Approach

August 31 - September 1, 2020
NEW DATES
Shirley Ryan AbilityLab
355 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611
Vision 2020

The Academy is the not-for-profit, educational arm of the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab (formerly known as the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago). Since 1953, the Academy has strived to advance the ability of healthcare professionals through our continuing education programs. Whether you are a seasoned veteran in the field of rehabilitation or a new graduate, our faculty are committed to helping you learn and apply the latest research and therapeutic approaches. We are excited that you share our passion for improving patient outcomes and hope you will continue to invest in your career by joining us for this program.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this two-day course, a review of the visual system and clinical manifestations of common visual impairments following stroke and traumatic brain injury will be presented. On the first day, practitioners will learn and practice comprehensive visual assessment techniques. The entire second day of the course is devoted to the clinical application of treatment strategies in a hands-on interactive lab format. The learned assessment and treatment strategies can be implemented in practice by clinicians in all levels of care.

Successful completion:
This course includes 1.5 hours of online, self-study activities that provide foundational material and set the stage for the lectures and workshops in the live portion of the course. You will receive an email with instructions on how to access the online materials, about 6 weeks prior to the live course. To successfully complete the course and receive CEUs, learners will complete the self-study activities, attend the two-day program at Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and complete the course evaluation.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Occupational Therapists, Occupational Therapy Assistants, Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Review anatomy and function of normal visual systems.
- Define common visual terminology and identify implications for therapy.
- Identify common visual and visual-perceptual impairments associated with Traumatic Brain Injury and Stroke.
- Perform a basic vision screen for referral to a vision specialist.
- Develop clinical skills to assist with treatment planning for the patient with visual and visual-perceptual impairments.
- Explain multi-disciplinary and functional impacts of visual impairments.
- Demonstrate basic treatment approaches addressing visual deficits including environmental modifications and remedial visual therapy exercises.
Amy Berryman, OTR

Amy Berryman, OTR, MSHSA, is the occupational therapy brain injury supervisor at Craig Hospital. For over 17 years, she has worked throughout the continuum of care in traumatic brain injury, including inpatient, outpatient, and transitional living settings. She has presented extensively on vision rehabilitation in traumatic brain injury, and has special interest in using routines to maximize productive participation in daily activities post-injury. She has published in the areas of vision, interdisciplinary team approaches to rehabilitation, and vocational rehabilitation. Additionally, she has advanced training in NDT techniques and other modalities to facilitate neuro-muscular recovery. Amy completed her occupational therapy degree in 2000 at the University of Oklahoma, and graduated with her master’s degree in health services administration from Regis University in 2007. She is an adjunct professor in the Creighton University Occupational Therapy Program.

Thomas Politzer, OD, FCOVD, FAAO

Dr. Politzer provides comprehensive interdisciplinary services for vision clinics at Craig Hospital, Spalding Hospital, and Swedish Hospital. His areas of expertise include neuro-ophthalmic examination and treatment for patients suffering from neurological disease and injury. Dr. Politzer has invented approaches for treating double vision, patented a prism invention to help cranial nerve IV palsies, pioneered treatments for nystagmus and is developing novel devices to help visual field loss. He holds Fellowships in the College of Optometrists in Vision Development and the American Academy of Optometry. Dr. Politzer has published several papers and written chapters for two books. He lectures nationally and internationally and is on staff at Craig Rehabilitation Hospital.

Karen Rasavage, OTR

Karen Rasavage, OTR, currently works as the OT Education Coordinator and Vision Clinic Coordinator at Craig Hospital. Karen also works as a part-time private practitioner. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1999 with her occupational therapy degree. Karen developed a strong interest in vision rehabilitation early in her practice. While participating in professional mentorships with neuro-optometrists, she places emphasis on integrating occupational therapy concepts, such as sensory integration and activity analysis, into visual rehabilitation with children and adults following brain injury. She also has specialized training in NDT, Neuro-IFRAH, Kinesiotaping, UE FES Cycling as well as SAEB0 applications for enhanced functioning of normal movement for people with acquired brain injuries. Karen has published in the areas of interdisciplinary rehabilitation, vocational rehabilitation, and visual inattention. Karen presents extensively to rehabilitation professionals on vision treatment following acquired brain injury.
Kelsey Watters, OTR/L, CBIS
Kelsey Watters, OTR/L is an occupational therapist and clinical practice leader for occupational therapy at the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab (formerly the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago). She works in the Think & Speak Lab as a functional cognition and vision therapist. She graduated from University of Washington with her masters in occupational therapy in 2011. Since then, her clinical interest areas have been traumatic brain injury (both adult and pediatric), visual/perceptual impairments and functional cognition. She has facilitated lectures and workshops at Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and teaches part-time in the University of Illinois at Chicago’s Occupational Therapy program. Kelsey has lectured on topics related to brain injury, functional cognition, visual impairments and health literacy as well as participated in several research studies related to attention, motor recovery, and disorders of consciousness. She is currently collaborating with scientists at SRAlab to assess visual tracking patterns in patients who have unilateral spatial neglect.

PRE-WORK SELF-STUDY ACTIVITIES

All participants will complete the on-demand module “Initial Assessment of Visual Impairments for Patients with Neurological Deficits” by Kelsey Watters, OTR/L, Occupational Therapist, and Functional Cognitive Lab Therapist, 0.15 CEU’s (1.5 contact hours).

AGENDA

DAY 1
Monday, August 31, 2020

8:15 am  Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:45 am  Announcements and Introduction
9:00 am  Course Objectives
Process of Vision
Vision Anatomy
Theoretical Framework
Common Brain Injury-Related Visual Impairments
Vision Team and Vision Clinic
10:30 am  Break
10:45 am  Clinical Observations and Screening for Visual Impairments
12:00 pm  Lunch (on your own): Optional 30 min tour available
1:00 pm  Clinical Observations and Screening for Visual Impairments (continued)
2:15 pm  Visual Screening Practice: Videos
3:15 pm  Break

3:30 pm  Post-Screening Compensatory Interventions
   ○ Spot Patching
   ○ Binasal Patching
   ○ Environmental Modifications

4:15 pm  Perceptual Assessments

4:45 pm  Summary and Questions

5:00 pm  End of Day 1

DAY 2
Tuesday, September 1, 2020

8:30 am  Suggested Vision Treatment Process
   Vision Treatment Basics
   Increasing Automaticity

9:15 am  Spatial Awareness and Visual-Motor Lab: Group 1
   Oculomotor Lab: Group 2

10:15 am  Spatial Awareness and Visual-Motor Lab: Group 2
   Oculomotor Lab: Group 1

11:30 am  Brock String Lab

12:00 pm  Lunch (on your own)

1:00 pm  Scanning/Speed of Processing Lab: Group 1
   Treatment planning/Goal writing Lab: Group 2
   Case Sessions: Group 3

2:00 pm  Scanning/Speed of Processing Lab: Group 3
   Treatment planning/Goal writing Lab: Group 1
   Case Sessions: Group 2

3:00 pm  Break

3:15 pm  Scanning/Speed of Processing Lab: Group 2
   Treatment planning/Goal writing Lab: Group 3
   Case Sessions: Group 1

4:15 pm  Summary and Wrap-up

4:30 pm  End of Course
**TUITION FOR 15 CEUs**

| Registration Fee | $675 |

**LOCATION**

The program will be held at the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab. The conference site is wheelchair accessible. Accessible materials, sign language interpretation and personal assistance are available with at least 45-days advance notice.

**HOUSING**

Information to follow soon

**CANCELLATION POLICY**

All cancellations must be in writing. Refunds less a 20% administrative charge will be given until **August 24, 2020.** The Academy reserves the right to cancel or change any programs for due cause. Cancellation of a program by the Academy will result in a full refund of tuition. The Academy is not responsible for the refund of travel or hotel expenses under any circumstance.

**IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registrations will be taken in the order in which tuition checks or credit card information is received. We highly encourage you to register online as these are processed more quickly than mailed or faxed registrations. **Full Tuition must accompany the registration form in order to confirm a place in this course.**

Until you receive your **confirmation letter** you are not officially registered for the course. For online registrations you will receive email confirmation on the day that you register. For registrations received by standard mail or fax the confirmation may take up to 3 weeks after we receive your registrations. If you do not receive confirmation within this time period, please call 312-238-6042.

Do not make airline reservations that have cancellation penalties until we confirm your registration. However, you should make hotel reservations as soon as possible.

**One week prior to the course only internet registrations and faxed registrations that include an email will be accepted.** Please note that the course could reach its maximum enrollment before this time.
CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Physical Therapy
This course has been approved by the Illinois Physical Therapy Board for 15 Contact Hours (1.5 Self-Study, 13.5 live). Approval #216-000069

The Shirley Ryan AbilityLab is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Physical Therapy as an approved provider of physical therapy and physical therapist assistant continuing education. This two-day course has been approved for 15 Contact Hours (1.5 Self-Study, 13.5 live).

Occupational Therapy

The Shirley Ryan AbilityLab is an approved provider for the American Occupational Therapy Association to offer continuing education in occupational therapy. This two-day intermediate level program awards occupational therapists 1.5 CEUs or 15 contact hours (1.5 hours for pre-work & 13.5 hours live). The assignment of AOTA CEUs does not imply endorsement of specific course content, products, or clinical procedures by AOTA. AOTA CLASSIFICATION CODE: CATEGORY 2: Occupational Therapy Process – Evaluation and Intervention.

We’d like to extend a special thank you to Merz for their educational grant which supports the Academy at the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and helps us pull together programs such as this.
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Please TYPE or PRINT your name and professional initials (MD, OT, PT, RN, etc.) as you would like them to appear on your continuing education certificate.

First Name _______________________________ Last Name _______________________________
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E-mail (required) ________________________________

Please note: registration will not be processed without full payment.

Method of Payment: □ Check enclosed (Payable to: Shirley Ryan AbilityLab)
□ Credit Card

Credit Card Users Must Complete the Following Information:

□ MasterCard □ VISA □ American Express

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Credit card registrations may be mailed or faxed to: 312-238-4451.

Register Online at www.sralab.org/academy or complete the form below and return with payment.