



## 2014 RiteCare Conference Call for Papers

September 18-20, 2014

Marriott St. Louis West Conference Center, St. Louis, Missouri

The RiteCare Conference is a biennial conference of Scottish Rite affiliated clinics, hospitals and university speech-language pathologists, literacy and dyslexia specialists, audiologists and communication specialists along with dedicated Scottish Rite leaders, all gathered to further the education and mutual mission "*to help children communicate.*" In 2014, the Conference will be hosted by the Orient of Missouri and will take place September 18-20, 2014 at the Marriott St. Louis West Conference Center in St. Louis, Missouri.

The RiteCare Conference Committee welcomes you to submit a proposal to the Call for Papers submission with a deadline of Friday, April 4, 2014 at 5:00pm (CST). The Committee invites speakers, reviews presentation proposal submissions, and helps select the most informative content to be presented during the Conference.

### Topic Areas

Educational programming content at the RiteCare Conference will consist of three topic areas: **Speech- Language Pathology/Communication Disorders, Literacy and Dyslexia and Executive/Administration.** When you submit a proposal to the Call for Papers, you must select from these three topic areas that best corresponds to your presentation.

### Submission Guidelines

The guidelines outline the steps in the submission process, define terms, and provide explanations of information required to submit a proposal. All proposals need to be emailed in the attached Word document to [sheri@srclinic.org](mailto:sheri@srclinic.org) by or before the deadline of Friday, April 4, 2014 at 5:00 pm (CST).

### Criteria for Proposals to Meet ASHA CEU and/or ALTA CEU Requirements

In order for a Conference session to be offered for ASHA CEUs (and/or ALTA CEUs), **please see attached** submittal guidelines. No personal interest session or product sales will qualify.

### Registration

All presenters (both oral sessions and posters) are required to register for the RiteCare Conference and to arrange their own travel and accommodations, even if with special circumstances.

### CEUs

As a presenter of a session offered for ASHA CEUs and/or ALTA CEUs, you may claim credit for your own session, earning the same amount of credit as participants.

### Oral Sessions (One Hour or One and Half Hour)

Seminar sessions are intended to provide in-depth, continuing education for speech-language pathologists and audiologists, literacy and dyslexia specialists, and speech-language-hearing scientists. Emphasis is on clinical applications and research advances, backed by appropriate levels of evidence. Content is specifically tailored to fit a 60 or 90 minute time period.

### Poster Sessions (One Hour)

Poster sessions will take place either Friday (9/19/14), or Saturday (9/20/14) at various times throughout each day in the Conference Center.

Poster presentations should visually guide viewers through the basics of the study displayed on the poster board while the presenter focuses on explanation and clarification of the key elements of the work and answers viewer questions. The poster presentation format is less formal and more interactive than an oral seminar because it provides the opportunity for viewers to engage in discussion and to have one-on-one interactions with both fellow viewers and the presenter. As a result, poster sessions offer the potential for new collaborations to develop among colleagues. Though posters must be displayed for the entire day, poster presenters are only required to be present at their poster board during the assigned time of their poster presentation. This is the only time during which participants can earn [ASHA CEUs](#) and/or [ALTA CEUs](#).

### Conflict of Interest Disclosures and Call for Papers Agreement

For consideration, anyone presenting or listed as an author for a presentation, is required to complete a disclosure indicating any financial or non-financial relationship related to the content of the session.

### Speaker Disclosures at the Start of Your Presentation

Presenters of oral sessions should begin their presentation with a slide and verbal statement indicating their adherence to the agreement and disclosing any potential conflicts. Poster presenters should include a similar written statement within their visual presentation.

### Handouts

To meet the educational needs of attendees, we are asking that presenters upload 3 pages of advance material (by August 15, 2014), to include a functional outline of the presentation and a list of references or links related to the final presentation.

### Prepare Your Presentation

Make sure your presentation is in one of the following formats:

Microsoft Office PowerPoint

Adobe Acrobat

RiteCare Conference is committed to making the conference accessible and working to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Presenters with a disability who anticipate needing special accommodations or equipment in order to participate should contact [sheri@srclinic.org](mailto:sheri@srclinic.org).

Further questions should be directed to Sheri Mistretta, Walker Scottish Rite Clinic at [sheri@srclinic.org](mailto:sheri@srclinic.org).

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to seeing you at the 2014 RiteCare Conference in St. Louis, Missouri.

**ASHA:** This program is offered for ASHA CEUs at the intermediate level, professional area. **Children's National Medical Center** 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. ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

**ALTA:** Academic Language Therapy Association is an organization of certified academic language therapists who have received training to work specifically with students identified with dyslexia.