

2011 July 23rd Open Seminar

Learning to Read and Write – How Difficult Can It Be? -- Modern Concepts and Treatment Changes for Learning Difficulties

Date: 23 July 2011 (Saturday)

Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Lecture Room N002, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Speakers: **Dr. Alice Cheng-Lai, PhD, C.Psychol.**

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Abstract:

Learning Disabilities (LD) is traditionally defined as inherited condition that makes it extremely difficult to read, write, and spell in the native language despite at least average intelligence. Specific learning disability in reading and/or writing (Dyslexia) is not the result of lack of motivation, sensory impairment, inadequate instructional or due to environmental factors.

During the assessment process of learning disabilities, parents become frustrated at the negative aspects of labeling the child, some professionals seem to believe that the various conditions are inherited and incurable, this gives rise to disappointment, fear and anger in parents, and this in fact may be one of the major causes of the problem. It is not the case that these conditions are untreatable, and teachers and other professionals are perhaps also the parents need to be aware of how their emotions are affecting the situation. Many of the difficulties can be improved by adjusting to the child's condition with appropriate home work and showing more patience, confidence and love to the child.

The aim of this seminar is to discuss the causes, concepts and treatments of LD and dyslexia. The new treatments will also be introduced in this seminar, including "Reading Assistance"; "Ease" Literacy Products etc. Parents, teachers, social workers, counselors and professionals are all welcome. The seminar is free of charge.



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All seats will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.
Please bring the confirmation letter to the seminar as proof of your reservation. For enquiries, please contact our staff at 2766 6313.

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