September D/HH Teens In Action Gathering

Outreach Consultant Naomi Mangan collaborated with Monica Soukup of Augustana College to host the Deaf/HH Teens in Action group at Sports Bowl in Sioux Falls on September 29, 2012. The event was sponsored by the SDSD Foundation. Mark Koterwski from Communication Services for the Deaf (CSD) volunteered his time for this event. Seven deaf and hard of hearing students and one child of deaf adults participated in an afternoon of bowling and socializing. Augustana College students majoring in deaf education provided activities and Augustana interpreter trainees as well as a certified interpreter were on hand to facilitate communication for all attendees.

Pizza and pop were served during the final hour.

Guest Lecture at Northern State University

Sara Hansen, SDSD Service Coordinator, travelled to NSU in Aberdeen for a guest lecture to Dr. Candice Hollingsead’s assistive technology course. 15 students attended the session which discussed expectations for use of assistive technology with children who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Attendees experienced simulations of hearing loss as well as traditional hearing aids, cochlear implants, and bone anchored hearing aids. FM and sound field systems were demonstrated and students were given opportunities to have hands on experience with listening devices.
October Social Gathering

On October 13, 2012 a group ranging in ages 3 to 12 gathered at the SDSD campus to socialize. Seven deaf and hard of hearing children had the opportunity to play a variety of games, listen to a story, and make fall crafts.

Outreach consultants Laura Scholten and Jodi Schnider coordinated the event in partnership with Augustana College’s Monica Soukup and four students.

SDSD Professional Days

SDSD’s Outreach team gathered on the Sioux Falls campus for in-service and training on October 24 and 25. Guest presenters included Margaret Sumption of Sumption and Wyland, Megan Quilter of Phonak, Dr. Kenneth Scott from Midwest Ear Nose and Throat, and Christie Kenney of Cochlear Americas. Consultants gathered information on hearing aids, personal and classroom FM systems, cochlear implant technologies, and surgical procedures dealing with the ear. Other topics included speech, listening, and language activities that can be implemented with families and educational staff as well as further development of SDSD’s strategic plan.

CI Mapping with USD

SDSD held its second cochlear implant mapping in Rapid City on November 2, 2012. The Rapid City School District allowed the SDSD to utilize their district’s sound booth at Kibben Kuster Elementary School. West River cochlear implant mappings are beneficial to clients as Western South Dakota families can save travel time of up to 12 hours when service is provided locally. Four students attended the cochlear implant mapping sessions with Dr. Jessica Messersmith and two students from The University of South Dakota Speech and Communications Clinic. Also included within the cochlear implant mapping was an opportunity to receive a speech language evaluation from Dr. Kyle Brouwer, Assistant Professor at USD. The next CI mapping session is scheduled for spring of 2013.
Family Sign Language Class

SDSD Family Sign Language Class ended the 10 week fall session. Outreach Consultants Kami Van Sickle and Julie Luke taught various thematic signs including foods, feelings, opposites, household items, people, wh-questions, verbs, nouns, colors, and animals.

Families participated in co-operative games and activities to practice the sign language vocabulary. Throughout the fall, families increased their sign language vocabulary to the point of signing complete sentences. Families had the opportunity to get to know other families and share personal experiences.

SDSD would like to thank the SDSD Foundation for providing popcorn and candy for class participants and to Augustana students and the SDSD Outreach team for assisting with the daycare and class.

Family Sign Language Class will be offered again in the spring.

Audiology Department Data

The following report details audiological services provided to children from July 1, 2012 through November 2, 2012.

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Outreach Client Data

Outreach students are served in the family’s home, community agencies or in their home school districts:

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There are 25 referrals with the potential to become Outreach clients pending completion of required paperwork.
In-service Update

SDSD Outreach Consultant In-Services

Eileen Anderson .................. 13
Julie Delfs .................. 8
Carol Johnson .................. 10
Sarah Lingle .................. 8
Julie Luke .................. 6
Naomi Mangan .................. 1
Nina Ringstmeyer .................. 8
Kerry Ruth .................. 2
Jodi Schnider .................. 2
Laura Scholten .................. 4
Kami Van Sickle .................. 13
Total .................. 75

Upcoming Mobile Lab Visits

December 2012                January 2012

12/11-12 Pierre                1/31 Brandon
12/18 Harrisburg