



Dear Colleague,

We are offering a Professional Internship Program in AAC in conjunction with our Camp Chatterbox program. If you are interested in applying this program, please be sure to complete the application and include a copy of your current resume no later than **March 15, 2009**. Applications are currently being accepted.

Candidates are selected on the basis of their AAC experiences. We expect that all candidates will have some knowledge of AAC systems and preferred practices. Efforts are made to create a heterogeneous group of staff so that we can all learn from each other. Each year we look to include interns from a wide range of geographic locations as well as with varying degrees of clinical experience. This mixture has helped us build a strong therapy team.

The camp environment is rustic and privacy is limited. Days are long and hectic, but lots of fun for those interested in a unique learning experience. Participants are expected to work well as part of a team. While interns are NOT responsible for campers' personal care, some lifting may be required. The camp facilities are wheelchair accessible, so transporting campers to different activities is not a problem. Lots of walking may be required.

Candidates will be notified as to their acceptance into the program sometime in April. Once you have been accepted as a Chatterbox Intern you will be expected to send in your application fee of \$300. This fee includes the 1 1/2 days of professional training prior to camp, and the hands-on learning experiences during camp. Interns can earn up to 4.0 ASHA CEU's at no additional fee.

There is no charge for room and board while at camp. The Registration fee can be refunded only if: (1) you have given us at least two months cancellation notice and (2) we are able to find someone to take your place. In any case, an administration fee of \$100 will be charged. You are responsible for costs associated with your travel to and from camp as well as any accommodations you need to arrange for the evening prior to camp training.

Thank you for your interest in our program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (908) 301-5451. You may also email me at Jbruno@childrens-specialized.org.

Sincerely,
Joan Bruno, Ph.D., CCC-SLP
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