

TxP2P 13th Annual Conference
June 16-17th, 2017
Medical and Therapy Sessions

Session 3: 3:30 – 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 16, 2017

Session	Description	Speakers
3060 Medical/ Therapy	<p>Everyone Needs A Voice! Augmentative Communication (AAC)</p> <p>Every person deserves to have a voice. Many kids and adults are silenced by physical or cognitive disabilities. Augmentative Communication (AAC) can give them voices. Betsy will discuss types of AAC on the market and how to make progress with AAC. Success with AAC is dependent on consistency. Both the user and the caregivers need to be trained and empowered to use AAC. Families are often on their own with AAC, either due to lack of services in their area or lack of availability of trained therapists. She will also provide practical options for getting AAC training and support.</p>	<p>Betsy Furler, MS, CCC-SLP</p>
3061 Medical/ Therapy	<p>A Parent's Perspective on Medical Home</p> <p>Learn what we believe a family-centered medical home can be from a parent's perspective and according to the National Center on Medical Home Implementation and the Institute for Patient- and Family-Centered Care. Sherry and Laura share tools that can help you work with your child's physician to create a medical home for your child.</p>	<p>Sherry Santa & Laura Warren</p>

Session 4: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., Saturday, June 17, 2017

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4060 Medical/ Therapy	<p>Three Languages of Healthcare</p> <p>As the mom of a child with complex medical healthcare needs and now a registered nurse, Rebecca has learned through her family's experience, that there are different languages in healthcare. One way to be an effective advocate in healthcare is to understand these different languages. You will learn about her experience being "Wade's mom", how she learned to recognize the different languages. And what she did as a parent and nurse to translate them into something the whole team could understand so that all team members could be effective for her child and other children like him.</p>	<p>Rebecca White MBA, BSN, RN</p>

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Session 5: 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Saturday, June 17, 2017

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5060 Medical/ Therapy	Navigating the Diagnostic Journey The diagnostic journey is long and daunting. Parents and clinicians will dialogue in a panel format to discuss their stories, including their pitfalls and victories. Included will be information on current testing available as well as resources available to assist families on the road to a diagnosis for their child.	Tarah Walter, Vanessa Vaughan, & Mary Elizabeth Parker