

# DIVERSE VOICES

March 2008  
Newsletter

*The mission of the Diversity Committee is to assist CSHA members in increasing knowledge and awareness of issues related to cultural and linguistic diversity in speech language pathology & audiology*

## Welcome to the 2008 CSHA Convention!



Diversity committee  
of the California  
Speech Language  
Hearing Association  
<http://cscha.org/diversity>

Wahoo! The 2008 CSHA Convention is here! The Diversity Committee welcomes you to this year's gathering in scenic Monterey. Many exciting sessions await us. Highlighted below are convention sessions focusing on knowledge and skills for serving culturally and linguistically diverse clients.

### Thursday (4/10/08)

**Presenters:** Celeste Roseberry-McKibbin, Karen Oakley, Crystal Schafer.

**Title:** WS2 - Service Delivery to ELL students with Language Learning Disabilities: Practical Strategies and Materials.  
**12:30 - 6:30**

### Friday (4/11/08)

**Presenters:** Jacqueline Kreiter-Kotas, Nidhi Mahendra, Robert McKinney, Betty Yu, Anna Wong. **Moderator:** Sonia Aller.

**Title:** SC6 - Diagnostic Encounters with Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Clients: Case-Based Learning.  
**8:30 - 11:30**

### Presenters:

Laura Epstein, Nancy B. Robinson.

**Title:** PS10 - Promoting Research to Practice Competence Through Collaboration.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

**Presenters:** Shauna Stoll, Fernan Tolentino, Celeste Roseberry McKibbin.

**Title:** PS20 - CLD Families' Views on Autism: An Ethnographic Perspective.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

**Presenters:** Alethea Chamberlain, Celeste Roseberry-McKibbin.

**Title:** PS18 - American Indians and Mainstream SLPs: The Merging of Two Worlds.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

### Saturday (4/12/08)

**Presenters:** Hani Abdulsattar Albangali, June McCullough.

**Title:** PS5 Development of an Arabic Version of the Picture Identification Task.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

**Presenters:** Jessica Gidlof, Irina Krivoruchko, Robin Harris, Celeste Roseberry-McKibbin.

**Title:** PS9 - Service Delivery to Clients from the Former USSR: Clinical Considerations.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

**presenters:** Astrid Rieber, June McCullough, Henriette W. Langdon.

**Title:** Educational Resources for Hispanics with Deaf/Hard of Hearing Children.  
**12:00 - 1:30**

### Chair:

Jacqueline Kreiter Kotas

### Members:

Nidhi Mahendra  
Robert McKinney  
Anna Wong  
Betty Yu

### Points of Interest

\*Welcome to the two newest members of the Diversity Committee this year: Anna Wong of Sharp Hospital Home Care/Hospice Care and Betty Yu of UC Berkeley and San Francisco State University.

\*Two positions on the Diversity Committee will be available for the 2008-2010 term. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact the current committee chair at [jkreiter@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:jkreiter@mail.sdsu.edu).

\*Please contact us if there are any issues regarding diversity that you would like the committee to address.

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Click on "Diversity Issues"

## Hot off the Press: Noteworthy Books

Langdon, H. W. (2008). *Assessment and intervention for communication disorders in culturally and linguistically diverse populations*. New York: Thomson Delmar Learning.

This book is written for both students and practicing SLPs who wish to review specific issues relating to working with child and adult clients from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. It offers a synthesis of current research as well as information and strategies that can be used to plan and carry out assessments. It also provides guidance for intervention, including models of bilingual instruction and second language teaching. There are also recommended protocols for reporting. Adult and child case studies are presented throughout the book to illustrate various concepts.



Kohnert, K. (2008). *Language disorders in bilingual children and adults*. San Diego: Plural.

This book provides speech-language pathologists, advanced students, and clinical language researchers with a review of the contemporary research literature related to effective service delivery to bilingual children and adults with suspected or confirmed language disorders. It addresses issues related to language learning and use for bilinguals of various levels of first and second language proficiency throughout the lifespan. Theories of language development/learning and their links to practice are addressed for both typical and atypical communicators. Readers will find an in-depth discussion of the multiple and complex factors that affect language development and disorders in speakers who use more than one language for meaningful interactions.

### Ongoing Diversity Committee Projects



- Present a seminar at the 2008 CSHA convention: Diagnostic Encounters with Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Clients: Case-Based Learning.
- Create bilingual communication boards & quick reference sheets for use during bed-side dysphagia exams.
- Developing an online list of frequently used terminology in the field with translations into high demand languages.

#### Do you know...

Which district has the highest numbers of ELLs in the state?

How to meet bilingual SLPs in your area?

To find out..visit our website

### Over the last year, the Diversity Committee:

- Has submitted an Issue Brief regarding the training and licensing requirements for foreign-trained SLPs. This Issue Brief explores current practices in this area and recommends steps for comprehensive discussions on this issue.
- Has continued building the CSHA website as a resource library for members.
- Has engaged in outreach to CSHA members/students working in culturally diverse settings.

### Contact us!

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