

What is the Auditory-Verbal Approach?

The Auditory-Verbal Approach incorporates the Principles of Auditory-Verbal Therapy and Auditory-Verbal Education.

What is Auditory-Verbal Therapy?

Programs using Auditory-Verbal Therapy focus on guiding and coaching parents and caregivers to use their child's optimised hearing, through the use of hearing aids and/or cochlear implants, to develop clear, age-appropriate speech and language through listening. Parents and caregivers become the primary facilitators of their child's spoken language development. The goal is for children with hearing loss to achieve academic, social and occupational success. This program involves early diagnosis, one-on-one Auditory-Verbal Therapy and state-of-the-art audiological management and technology.

What is Auditory-Verbal Education?

Programs using Auditory-Verbal Education focus on teaching children with hearing loss to develop clear, age-appropriate speech and language, through listening, using hearing aids and/or cochlear implants. This program may be conducted in one-on-one or group therapy sessions administered by a Listening and Spoken Language Specialist in Auditory-Verbal Education.

Benefits of Training in the Auditory-Verbal Approach

Course participants gain the necessary knowledge and practical skills required to assist children with hearing loss to develop clear, age-appropriate speech and language through listening, in a variety of educational settings. Completion of courses in the Auditory-Verbal Approach contributes to the eligibility requirements for sitting the AG Bell Academy Certification Exam in Auditory-Verbal Therapy or Auditory-Verbal Education. Additional candidacy requirements can be found at www.agbellacademy.org. Hear and Say WorldWide has trained 250 people in 12 countries internationally.

**Believe in the magic of sound
and
the power of spoken language**

**Be a part of this
life-changing experience**



Prof Graeme Clark, AC, FAA, FRS, Hon.FRCS, Australian Cochlear Implant pioneer, states that Auditory-Verbal Therapy is the best approach which truly maximises the outcomes for children with cochlear implants.

Cochlear Limited endorses the Hear and Say model of Auditory-Verbal Therapy and recommends the Hear and Say Centre Professional Training Institute's 'Hearing is Believing' certificates in Auditory-Verbal Practice.

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2010 Schedule Training Courses in Listening and Spoken Language Specialties

Auditory-Verbal Therapy and Auditory-Verbal Education

Accreditation towards postgraduate qualifications in education is available through University of Southern Queensland
(www.usq.edu.au)



Training in Listening and Spoken Language Specialties

Auditory-Verbal Therapy and Auditory-Verbal Education

Training in the Auditory-Verbal Approach (Auditory-Verbal Therapy and Auditory-Verbal Education) provides the skills to teach children with hearing loss to:

HEAR the world around them

LISTEN to their parents, families and friends

SPEAK like their hearing peers

BELIEVE they can do anything they want

DREAM about a future with endless possibilities



Hear and Say WorldWide offers training in the Auditory-Verbal Approach to parents, teachers, health professionals and others involved in the development of a child with hearing loss.

Preliminary (already completed in 2010)

This course provides an introduction to the principles of the Auditory-Verbal Approach. Additional course content includes the function of the ear, explanation of hearing aids and cochlear implants, and the role of parents and professionals who work with children who have a hearing loss.

No pre-requisite qualifications are required for this course.

This course is best suited for:

- Parents of children with hearing loss
- Clinical and educational professionals
- Community workers in developing countries
- Undergraduate and postgraduate students

Duration:

Offered on-line (20 hours) or in-person (3 days intensive)

Cost: \$900/course

Intermediate (5-9 July 2010)

This course provides basic skills in the Auditory-Verbal Approach and cites research to support its use. In addition, this course provides an introduction to current hearing technology including hearing aids and cochlear implants, paediatric hearing assessment and information about the development of audition, language and speech.

No pre-requisite qualifications are required for the Intermediate course. This course can serve as a pre-requisite for the Advanced course.

This course is best suited for:

- Clinical and educational professionals (i.e. Audiologists, Speech Pathologists, Teachers of the Deaf or other suitable professionals with a University degree)
- Undergraduate and postgraduate students

Duration:

Offered on-line (40 hours) or in-person (5 days intensive)

Cost: \$1,500/course

Advanced (27 Sept—1 Oct 2010)

This course provides observation and application of practical skills in the Auditory-Verbal Approach. Additional course content includes strategies for facilitating the development of audition, language and speech; assessment and goal setting; and candidacy, technology and trouble shooting for cochlear implants.

Completion of the Intermediate course, or proof of other adequate prior learning, is required for enrolment in this course. This course can serve as a pre-requisite for the Extension course.

This course is best suited for:

- Professionals who require in-depth knowledge of the Auditory-Verbal Approach and current hearing technology
- Clinical and educational professionals with pre-existing qualifications

Duration:

Offered in-person (5 days intensive)

Cost: \$1,500/course

Extension (Date To Be Advised)

This course provides more advanced study of the Auditory-Verbal Approach. It offers advanced learning in the neurodevelopment of language; genetic basis of deafness; surgical management for children who have a hearing loss; advanced clinical skills and techniques; professional mentoring; and research projects and outcomes.

Completion of both the Intermediate and Advanced courses, or proof of other adequate prior learning, is a pre-requisite requirement for the Extension course.

This course is best suited for:

- Professionals who desire advanced skills in Auditory-Verbal practice, research, neuroscience, genetics and mentoring skills
- Clinical and educational professionals with pre-existing qualifications and experience

Duration: Offered in-person (5 days intensive)

Cost: \$1,500/course