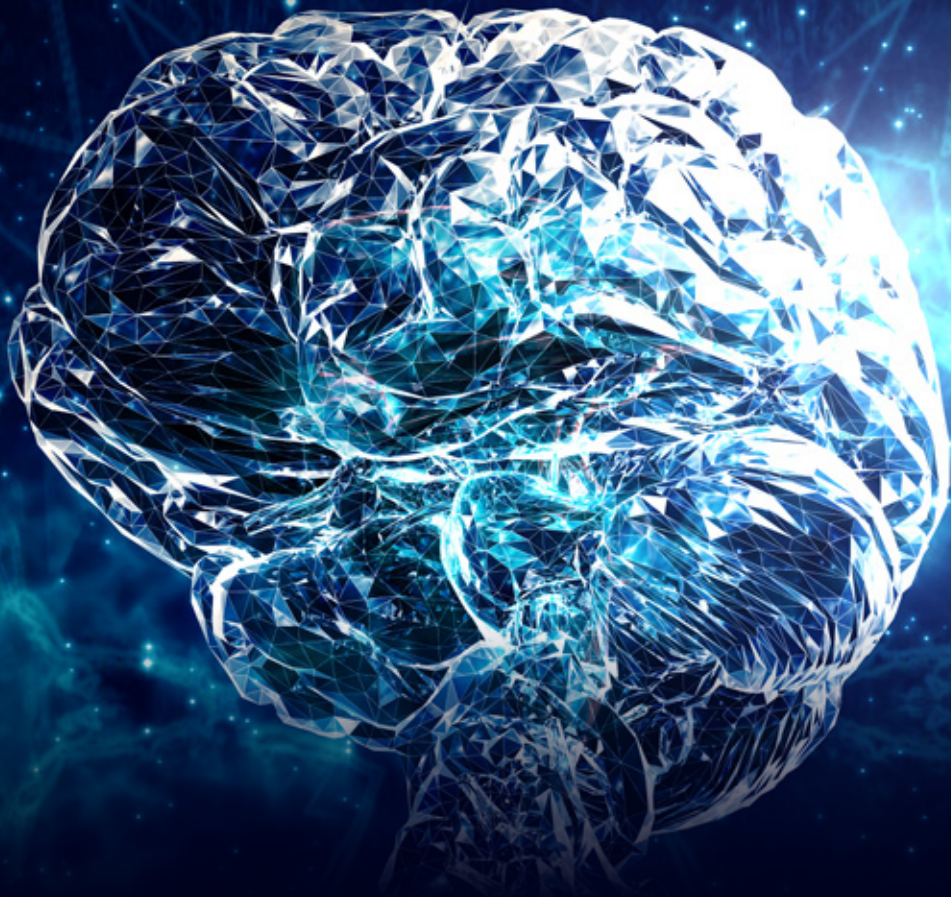


Hybrid Event (in-person & virtual)

Empowering Communication:

*with a focus on Moderate-Severe Aphasia
Treatment and Primary Progressive Aphasia*

*with Marion Leaman, PhD, CCC-SLP and
Maya Henry PhD, CCC-SLP*



Saturday | Jan. 31, 2026
Registration and Agenda Inside

Goldman Auditorium
350 West Thomas Road | Phoenix, Arizona



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Course Description

This session introduces ECoLoGiC-Tx, a conversation-based intervention for moderate to severe aphasia. The underlying research will be presented, including a two component protocol using video demonstrations and sharing compelling client outcomes, including WHO-ICF improvements. Practical resources like goal-writing examples and sessions guides will be provided, allowing attendees to implement ECoLoGiC-Tx immediately.

This session will provide a comprehensive overview of Primary Progressive Aphasia (PPA). We'll cover assessment methods, clinical characterization, and the current evidence base for treatment. Specific topics will include restitutive therapies across PPA variants, tailored compensatory strategies, communication partner training, and psychosocial support, all aimed at empowering SLPs to maximize communication and quality of life for those with PPA.

Course Objectives

1. Summarizes the theoretical foundations of ECoLoGiC Treatment
2. Describe the components and steps of ECoLoGiC Treatment and expected outcomes for people who have completed ECoLoGiC Treatment.
3. Identify the clinical presentation and neuroanatomical profile of each of the three variants of primary progressive aphasia (PPA).
4. Describe assessment and evidence-based treatment approaches for individuals with PPA.

Who Should Attend

Speech-language pathologists

Continuing Education Credit

This course is offered for .7 ASHA CEUs (**Intermediate** Level, **Professional** Area).

Full attendance is required. Partial Credit is not offered.



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AGENDA

Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026

7 a.m. ***Registration for In-person attendees***

7:55 a.m. General Conference Information

8 a.m. Why Conversation and Conversation Basics

8:30 a.m. Clinical Tools/Goal Writing

9:30 a.m. Therapy Component 1, Therapeutic Conversation

10:15 a.m. ***Break***

10:30 a.m. Therapy Component 2, Therapeutic Repair

11:15 a.m. Experiences of SLPs who have delivered ECoLoGiC-Tx, questions

12 p.m. ***Lunch Break*** (*Lunch provided to in-person attendees*)

1 p.m. Introduction to PPA and its subtypes

1:45 p.m. Assessment tools and approaches

2:30 p.m. ***Break***

2:45 p.m. Treatment approaches: Restitutive, Compensatory, Partner-Focused

4:15 p.m. Questions and Discussion

4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**



Guest Faculty

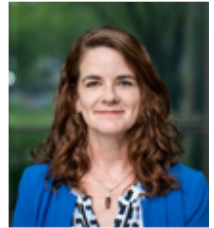
Marion Leaman, PhD, CCC-SLP

Marion Leaman, PhD CCC-SLP has been a speech-language pathologist for 32 years. She worked clinically for 22 years before beginning her PhD with Lisa Edmonds in 2015. She entered the field with a passion for aphasia, and worked in all levels of adult medical speech-language pathology, from private practice to acute care, home care, skilled nursing, outpatient and inpatient rehab. Her research and clinical focus is on conversation in aphasia, and development and dissemination of ECoLoGiC Treatment which uses spontaneous conversation and typical everyday interactions as the therapeutic context for therapy. Marion has been an Assistant Professor at the University of Kansas Medical Center since 2020, where she is the Director of the ALL-CAN-Converse Lab, which stands for the Aphasia Language, Learning, Communication and Conversation Lab.



Maya Henry PhD, CCC-SLP

Maya Henry is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences and Neurology at the University of Texas, Austin. She is the director of the Aphasia Research and Treatment Lab and the Associate Dean for Research in the Moody College of Communication. Funded by the National Institutes of Health, her research focuses on the clinical and neurobiological characterization of primary progressive aphasia and the utility of speech-language treatment approaches for this patient population



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Hampton Inn Midtown

160 West Catalina Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85013

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Dress

Dress for all sessions is business casual. Temperatures in Phoenix in January/February average from 72 degrees during the day to 48 degrees at night. Please keep in mind that meeting room temperatures vary, so wear layered clothing to ensure your comfort.

Registration

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Early Registration:	\$175 (On or Before 1/17/26)
Late Registration:	\$200 (After 1/17/26)
Student:	\$90

Registration fee includes: Symposium, program materials and continuing education credits.

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Disclosure (Dr. Henry):

Salaried as faculty in the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences at the University of Texas, Austin. Research is funded by the National Institutes of Health. Received compensation for this presentation by Barrow Neurological Institute.

