

# Melanie Emerson Bradle

## EDUCATION:

M.A., University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

B.S., University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

Certifications

Vital Stim Therapy

Certificate of Completion/Training Workshops

Fiberoptic Endoscopy Evaluation of Swallowing

SpeakOut!® A Practical Approach to Treating Parkinson's

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

**8/2019 -present** Department of Speech-Language Pathology Nevada State College, Henderson, Nevada Clinic Director of Speech-Language Pathology

**3/2012-Present- Speech-Language Pathologist- Kingman Regional Medical Center, Kingman Arizona**, Provides evaluation and treatment for acute, acute rehabilitation, outpatient and home health adult patients. Developed and implemented Fiberoptic endoscopy evaluation of Swallowing (FEES, provides orientation/mentoring for all new Speech-Language Pathologists and 2 Clinical Fellows. Collaborates with Otolaryngology, Psychiatrist, Medical/Radiation Oncologists, and Hospitalists for patient care needs.

**12/2011-2/2012 Per Diem Speech-Language Pathologist Atrium Dayton Ohio** Provided evaluation and treatment for acute care and acute rehabilitation adult Patients.

**12/2004- 12/2011 Full time Clinical Manager of Speech-Language Pathology/Audiology, Drake Center Inc.** Responsible for supervision of daily clinical operations for Inpatient and Outpatient Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology services. Oversees program development, staff development, student program, coordination of services and fiscal management. Provides patient treatment in Itac, snf, outpatient and contracted in acute care. Patient populations include neurologic impairment (stroke/tbi) ventilator/tracheostomy, medical complexity and debilitation. Participates in the stroke recovery program, provides teaching in evidenced based treatment in speech-language pathology services and provides interdisciplinary input into team collaboration.

**2001-2004 Full time Director of Speech-Language Pathology, Therapeutic Recreation, Driver's Rehabilitation Program, and Lymphedema Program, Drake Center, Inc.** Responsible for supervision of daily clinical operations of Inpatient/Outpatient Programs. Coordinated, implemented and communicated processes to meet external and internal customer needs. Oversaw program development, staff development, coordination of services and fiscal management. Provided coverage of patients due to high census, or staff absences.

**1998-2001 Full Time Manager Inpatient Therapies, Drake Center, Inc.** Responsible for Supervision of daily clinical aspects of Inpatient Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Therapeutic Recreation. Coordinated, implemented, and communicated processes for internal and external customer requirements. Provided program development, coordination of services and fiscal management. Responsible for assuring compliance in meeting regulatory agency requirements. Responsible for patient care in all service lines and provided contract coverage at the Cincinnati, VA hospital.

**1996-1998 Full Time Manager of Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Therapeutic Recreation, Drake Center, Inc.** Responsible for supervision of daily clinical operations of these departments. Oversaw program development, staff development, coordinated services and provided fiscal management. Responsible for patient care for all units in the hospital and outpatient services. Developed and implemented orientation for internal medicine and physical medicine and rehabilitation residents to inpatient therapy.

**1991-1996 Full Time Clinical Coordinator Speech-Language Pathology, Drake Center, Inc.** Responsible for daily supervision of Speech-Language Pathologists. Developed and coordinated the Student Program. Developed department competencies and coordinated internal and external education opportunities for staff. Responsible for patient care for all service lines inpatient and outpatient.

**12/1988-1991 Full Time Staff Speech-Language Pathologist, Drake Center, Inc.** Responsible for evaluation and treatment for communication, cognitive, swallowing and voice disorders in adult clients from diverse etiologies such as Stroke, Traumatic Brain Injury, and Cardiopulmonary Disease. Responsible for all documentation, team communication, student supervision, to meet all accrediting agency requirements.

**9/1987-12/1988 Full Time Staff Speech-Language Pathologist, Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital.** Responsible for evaluation and treatment of adult and pediatric clients with communication, cognitive, swallowing, and voice disorders. Responsible for all documentation, education, and communication to team members that all regulatory and facility requirements.

## **RESEARCH/SUPPORT ACTIVITY:**

Co-PI IRB submitted study The effect of open versus capped Tracheotomy on Swallowing, May, 2007 completed November 2009.

Staff coordinator of Doctoral Dissertation Research Study, Effects of Carbonated versus Thin and Thickened Liquids on Swallowing in Adults with Neurogenic Oropharyngeal Dysphagia, Kate Krival, M.S. Beginning October, 2006.

Principal Investigator at Drake Center for Protocol 201,(1/05) A Randomized Study of Two Interventions of for Liquid Aspiration: Short and Long Term Effects;NIH clinical trial

Member of Drake Center's Research Committee since 2000. Reviews all research to be done at Drake Center for Speech-Language Pathology research , develops facility procedures related to research, communicate trends in research ethics/compliance to administration for facility implementation.

5/09 Member of the 2010 Ohio Speech Language Hearing Association Convention Planning Committee

Invited peer reviewer for the asha self study course "The Dysphagia Evaluation: Consultation to Instrumental Exam " 12/09

Co-chair for 2009 United Way fund raising campaign. We exceeded our facility goal and raised 30,000 dollars for this cause.

5/10 Coordinated Guest Speaker for better speech and hearing luncheon for speech-language pathology department. Topic Laryngectomy Care and coordination of services.

7/23/10 Invited expert for R&D of Eazy Swallow Foods for Research and Development.

9/20/10 Presented to Management Leadership at Drake Center on Speech-Pathology Services 2010.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

Masters Thesis, Emerson, Melanie,S., "Performance of Hearing Impaired and Hearing Children on an Idiom Test and a Sentence Complexity Test", Aug.20, 1987, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Contributed to writing an Article on Dysphagia for Advance Magazine, "Dealing with Dysphagia", Advance for Providers of Post-Acute Care, November/December 2003

4/2009 M.D. news quoted about aphasia recovery

12/26/10 Interviewed by Cincinnati Enquirer article aphasia and recovery.

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- 1988** Presented, “What is Speech-Language Pathology?” to University of Kentucky Social Work Undergraduate Class.
- 1991** Presented Mini-Seminar on Dysphagia to Speech-Language Pathologists at Private Speech Pathology Group.
- 1995** Presented on Tracheostomy and Ventilator Communication Evaluation/Treatment to University of Cincinnati Speech-Language Pathology Graduate Seminar.
- 1995** Presented Poster on Passy-Muir Valve Protocol at the American Speech Language and Hearing Association, Seattle, WA
- 1996** Presented Poster on Passy-Muir Valve Protocol at the Ohio Speech and Hearing Association, Toledo, OH
- 1996** Presented short session on Dysphagia at the Third Annual Geriatric Conference, Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 1996** Co-presented an all day Workshop on Dysphagia for the University of Cincinnati College of Nursing and Health Continuing Education Program.
- 1999** Presented Mini-Seminar on Evaluation and Treatment of Communication for patients with Tracheostomy and/or Ventilator Dependence at the Ohio Speech and Hearing Association Annual Conference, Cincinnati, OH.
- 2004** Poster Presentation on FADE process for improving quality outcomes for Dysphagic Patients, Ohio Association of HealthCare Quality, Columbus, Ohio
- 2004** Presented at Grand Rounds Electrical Stimulation for Swallowing Treatment
- 2005** Presented at Grand Rounds Endoscopy in the Evaluation and Treatment of Dysphagia
- 2007/2008** Presented to UC Communication Disorders Graduate Class on The Role of the Speech –Language Pathologist with Tracheostomy/Ventilator patients
- 2008** Presented at Ohio Speech-Language, Hearing Association on Introduction to the Penetration/Aspiration Scale
- 2008** Co-presented a seminar with Kate Krival on Informed Consent in Clinical Research in Adults with Cognitive Impairment, at the American Speech-Language Hearing Association Annual Convention
- 2009-** Co – presented Preliminary Findings of Open versus Closed Tracheostomy effects on swallowing with Brad Carr, Ohio Speech-Language Hearing Association Annual Conference , Columbus , Ohio
- 2009-**Panel presentation on Coding and Reimbursement with Molly Polasky, Robert Fifer at the Ohio Speech-Language Hearing Association Annual Conference , Columbus , Ohio
- 2009** Co – presented with Lisa Kelchner PhD, on the use of technology in the clinical care of individuals with dysphagia post stroke: an update, at the American society of Neurorehabilitation , accelerating use of technology in stroke rehabilitation.
- 2010** Presented on Supervisor Alumni Panel – Challenges in Clinical Education, Preparing Future Healthcare Professionals, University of Cincinnati, May 7, 2010
- 2010** Als Seminar Multidisciplinary Care , May 22 2010
- 2011** The Role of Speech-Language Pathology in Collaborating with Respiratory Therapy for Patients with Tracheostomy/Ventilator Dependence , Tri –State Respiratory Conference, Drake Center , Oct 27,2011.
- 2012-**Your Health Matters-Speech Pathology, CaTV57, May 14,2012 , Kingman Regional Medical Center, KRMC.

**2012-Voice, Speech and Swallowing Characteristics in Parkinson Disease-Parkinson's Support Group, Kingman Arizona, May 15-2012**  
**2012- The Aging Swallow and Voice – Lunch and Learn KRMC, July 18,2012.**  
**2012- Aging and It's effect on your voice and swallowing- Kathryn Heidenreich Center, Kingman Arizona, September 6,2012.**  
**2013-Big and Loud Therapy for Parkinson's Patients- Parkinson's Support Group, February 19,2013.**  
**2014- Dysphagia An overview – Lunch and Learn , KRMC**  
**2015- Dysphagia Screening for Dysphagia for OT/PT Lunch and Learn, KRMC**  
**2016- Dysphagia and Risk Factor for Aspiration, KRMC Lunch and Learn ,KRMC**  
**2017- Overview of SLP services for outpatient services division and medical resident physicians , KRMC**

### **Continuing Education**

**2012- Apps for Aphasia Webinar- November 5, 2012**  
**2012-Asha National Convention- Atlanta Georgia, November , 2012**  
**2013- Advanced Practices in Voice and Dysphagia- Las Vegas Nevada, February 2013**  
**2014- Stanford/Harvard TEP Course ,Stanford, March, 2014**  
**2014- Southwest Laryngology and Voice Rehabilitation Course , Phoenix April 2014**  
**2015-Stanford Advanced Swallowing Course January, Stanford, 2015**  
**2015- Sin City Otolaryngology Advanced Practices in Voice and Swallowing Course Las Vegas, February ,2015**  
**2016- Laryngeal Endostroboscopy and FEES : Performance and Interpretation , San Francisco, March2016**  
**2016 Cognitive Therapy for dementia – Las Vegas, June,2016**  
**2016 Using Lingraphica Speech-Generating Devices**  
**2017 SPEAKOUT! ® Dallas, TX June 2017**  
**2017 ASHA National Conference Los Angeles, CA November 2017**  
**2018 Charleston Swallowing Conference, NorthWestern University July2018**