

**WORKSHOP**

# When Children Won't Eat: Picky Eaters versus Problem Feeders

## ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT USING THE SOS APPROACH TO FEEDING

This conference is designed to help professionals assess and treat children with feeding and growth problems using the SOS Approach to Feeding. The Sequential Oral Sensory (S.O.S) Approach to Feeding workshop is a trans-disciplinary program for assessing and treating children with feeding difficulties and weight/growth problems from birth to 18 years. It integrates posture, sensory, motor, behavioral/learning, medical, and nutritional factors to comprehensively evaluate and manage children with feeding/growth problems.

**When:** 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Where:** Hilton Hotel, 380 Kensington High St,  
W14 8NL, London

**Time:** 8am-5pm (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> March)  
8am-3.15pm (20<sup>th</sup> March)

**Cost:** £900 (£850 if paid in one installment)

**How to Register:**

Email: [sos@therapytrain.co.uk](mailto:sos@therapytrain.co.uk)

PLEASE NOTE – Participants are expected to attend the course for the entire length of each day (8am to 5pm, Days 1-3, 8am to 3:15pm on Day 4) to receive their SOS Certificate of Attendance. Leaving early or missing time during the conference results in participants missing crucial information needed to correctly use the SOS Approach to Feeding program. Please make any travel arrangements to ensure that you do not need to leave the conference early on any day. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Intended Audience:**

This Conference is intended for professionals who work with children with Feeding Difficulties. This includes: Speech Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Special Educators, Early Intervention Specialists, Nurses, Psychologists, Physicians, Dietitians, Mental Health Workers, other Child Care Providers and Educators.

Note: Training conferences are created for professionals. If parents wish to attend the training workshop, they must be accompanied by their child's feeding therapist.

**Population**

The focus of the Conference will be assessing and treating infants and young children with Feeding Difficulties and Feeding Disorders. This includes "problem feeders" who may have mild to moderate neurological impairments and/or medical disorders, children with Autism Spectrum disorders, children with motor, oral-motor and/or sensory dysfunction, as well as the "picky eater".

**Presenters****Kay A. Toomey, Ph.D.**

Dr. Kay A. Toomey is a Pediatric Psychologist who has worked with children who don't eat for almost 30 years. She has developed the SOS Approach to Feeding as a family centered program for assessing and treating children with feeding problems. Dr. Toomey speaks nationally and internationally about her approach. She also acts as a consultant to Gerber Products. Dr. Toomey helped to form The Children's Hospital – Denver's Pediatric Oral Feeding Clinic, as well as the Rose Medical Center's Pediatric Feeding Center. Dr. Toomey co-chaired the Pediatric Therapy Services Department at Rose Medical Center prior to entering private practice. Dr. Toomey acted as the Clinical Director for Toomey & Associates, Inc.'s Feeding Clinic for six years and SOS Feeding Solutions at STAR Institute for eight years. Dr. Toomey is currently the President of Toomey & Associates, Inc., and acts as a Clinical Consultant to the Feeding Clinic at STAR Institute.

**Erin Ross, Ph.D., CCC-SLP**

Dr. Erin Sundseth Ross is a Speech Pathologist with a Doctoral degree in Clinical Sciences – Health Services Research. She completed a two-year post-doctoral training in the Section of Nutrition and is a Clinical Instructor in the School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, at the University of Colorado Denver. Dr. Ross has over 25 years of experience working in the NICU within several HealthONE hospitals, and with children when she was at the SOS Feeding Solutions clinic in Denver, Colorado. Dr. Ross is the creator of the SOFFI Method<sup>SM</sup>, a feeding program for use in the NICU. She has specialized in the development of feeding skills, and the etiology and treatment of feeding and growth problems in infants and very young children from initial hospitalization through the first 5 years of life.

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