

When Children Won't Eat, Picky Eaters Vs. Problem Feeders

Assessment and Treatment using the SOS approach to feeding

On-site

10-14 May 2025

Cleopatra Hotel, Nicosia



Presented by Dr. Kay A. Toomey

Suitable for: Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Registered Dietitians, Special Education Teachers, Psychologists, Physical Therapists, Early Intervention Specialists, Nurses, Physicians, and Mental Health Workers. Note: Training conferences are created for professionals.

Course Description

The SOS Approach to Feeding Main Training Conference utilizes a combination of lecture, video, case studies, participant exercises, discussion and practice of treatment strategies to teach the foundational information necessary for completion of a thorough assessment, along with the theory and application of the SOS intervention program. The Training Conference has expanded to 5 days secondary to the significant increase in research in the field over the last 3 years and to accommodate course changes requested by past conference participants. This “new and improved” Conference contains almost 200 new research articles, and 30 new videos in the Assessment and Treatment sections of the course.

Course Level

The SOS Approach to Feeding conference is an Intermediate level course: Information is geared to practitioners with a general working knowledge of current practice trends and literature related to the subject matter. Focus is on increasing understanding and competent application of the subject matter.

Content Disclosure

The course content is focused on the SOS Approach to Feeding and there will be limited, or no information provided about similar products or services.



Objectives

After completing the training, participants will be able to:

- 1.** List the seven areas of human function that need to be examined to provide a comprehensive Feeding Assessment.
- 2.** Identify at least five of the oral, sensory, motor, cognitive or emotional developmental milestones key to being able to eat well.
- 3.** List three reasons why children won't eat, as based on learning theory principles.
- 4.** Differentiate classical and operant conditioning principles as applied to resolving feeding problems.
- 5.** Identify at least four of the necessary components of an SOS Approach to Feeding program for babies, toddlers, and young children in either an individual or group therapy session.
- 6.** List all three requirements for building a Food Hierarchy.
- 7.** Identify at least one play based strategy for progressing a child up each of the 6 major Steps on the Steps to Eating Hierarchy.



Timetable

Sa	08:30 - 18:00
Su	08:30 - 18:00
M	08:30 - 18:00
T	08:30 - 18:00
W	08:30 - 15:30

***** To ensure Learners successfully achieve the Learning Outcomes above and to satisfy the completion requirements for the SOS Approach to Feeding conference, all attendees are expected to attend the conference for the entire duration of each day.**



Pricing Options

EARLY

Fees in case of early registration until October 31, 2024:

€950 + 19% VAT (payable amount incl. VAT €1130.50).

- In order to secure and successfully complete your 'early' registration, you must make a deposit of the €600 advance payment by October 31, 2024. Otherwise, the registration will be cancelled.
- The full amount should be settled by April 1, 2025.

STANDARD

Fees in case of registration after October 31, 2024:

€1150 + 19% VAT (payable amount incl. VAT €1368.50).

- To secure and successfully complete your registration, you must make a deposit of €600 up to 5 days after registration. Otherwise, the registration will be cancelled.
- The full amount should be settled by April 1, 2025.



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Speakers



Dr. Kay A. Toomey is a Pediatric Psychologist who has worked with children who don't eat for over 35 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. 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, and then the SOS Feeding Solutions @ STAR before shifting into clinical consultation in order to focus on her teaching. Dr. Toomey is currently the President of Toomey & Associates, Inc. and an Adjunct Research Fellow at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions.



Amanda Foster, MS, CCC-SLP received her Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology from Massachusetts General Hospital IHP. For over 15 years, Mrs. Foster has worked with children with a variety of diagnoses in school, clinic, hospital, and early intervention settings. She began her feeding career in 2005 at Toomey & Associates, Inc. and then moved to the SOS Feeding Solutions @ STAR with Dr. Kay Toomey and Dr. Lucy Jane Miller. In 2010, Mrs. Foster started a private practice specializing in providing feeding support for families in their homes and in community settings. Currently, she is the Lead Speech and Feeding Therapist at a multi-disciplinary pediatric clinic in Tulsa, Oklahoma. In addition to presenting The SOS Approach to Feeding with Toomey & Associates, Inc., Mrs. Foster has lectured on swallowing disorders at Metropolitan State College in Denver, Colorado. She also regularly presents on speech and feeding disorders at parent, teacher, and professional seminars.

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