



Chicago Metro Area Conference

April 27-28, 2023

Abbington Distinctive Banquets

About Social Thinking

The foundation of our work provides interventionists (teachers, speech-language pathologists, therapists, clinicians, parents) and social learners with frameworks, tools, skills, and a shared language for understanding the social world. Our goal is to help people learn explicitly how to engage in social information processing: how to attend, interpret, problem solve, and respond in any situation—the thinking and doing skills that will promote well-being. The practical nature of our teaching and the concrete way we explain social concepts helps engage people in social learning not only about themselves but about others.

Who We Help

The Social Thinking Methodology is designed for individuals ages four through adult with solid language, cognitive, and learning abilities. Our work is for individuals with social emotional learning differences and/or challenges, whether neurotypical or Neurodivergent, and has been adopted into mainstream classrooms and districts around the world.

Who Should Attend?

The Social Thinking Methodology is used by a wide variety of professionals, including speech-language pathologists, special and general education teachers, social workers, counselors, clinical and school psychologists, occupational therapists, behavior specialists, and school administrators, to name a few. It’s also used by family members and caregivers across settings.

The Social Thinking Methodology builds:

- social competencies
- social self-awareness
- perspective taking
- self-regulation
- executive functioning
- social skills
- social-emotional understanding
- organizational systems
- reading comprehension of literature
- written expression, and more...

Continuing Education Available

5.5 Hours of Instruction Each Day

2 Courses = 11 CE Hours

Each attendee will receive a certificate of attendance and a course agenda for their records.

We are proud to provide access to continuing education credit for:

- Speech-Language Pathologists
- Educators
- Counselors
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- ...and others!



ASHA CE
APPROVED PROVIDER

Social Thinking Publishing

Each day is offered for 0.55 ASHA CEUs (intermediate level, Professional area).

Social Thinking, Inc. has been approved by NBCC as an Approved Continuing Education Provider, ACEP No. 6685. Programs that do not qualify for NBCC credit are clearly identified. Social Thinking, Inc is solely responsible for all aspects of the programs.

Conference Schedule



Thursday, April 27

Implementing Social Thinking Concepts and Vocabulary: A Day to Develop Team Creativity | ages 5 - young adult

Dr. Pamela Crooke and Michelle Garcia Winner

Both teachers and learners need practical ways to think about the social world. In this hands-on course, you will learn 15+ practical teaching strategies using Social Thinking Vocabulary and visual frameworks. The activities from this course focus on making abstract social information more concrete through lessons to teach social learners how to socially attend, interpret, problem solve, and respond to social information. Activities will also focus on strategies for teaching emotional understanding, theory of mind/perspective taking, and executive functioning to help learners meet their own social goals. Work in pairs or table teams to develop lesson plans for the home, clinic, or classroom the very next day. People love this hands-on, engaging course!



Friday, April 28

Practical Ideas for Teaching Self-Regulation & Building Friendships | ages 5 - young adult

Michelle Garcia Winner and Dr. Pamela Crooke

When a student says or does something that seems out of sync with the group, many are quick to call this a “behavior problem.” Likewise, when it’s hard to make a friend, or friendships dissolve into dislikes, we may see this as reluctance or resistance to building relationships. The reality is that both managing one’s own behavior and building relationships are complex. They require a foundation of self-awareness, social interpretation, and problem solving. This course will focus on how to rethink what is meant by “behavior problems” and teach lessons that encourage the development of social competencies to meet one’s own personal social goals. We will also unpack different aspects of peer-based relations, from friendship to dislike, and provide practical tools and perspective-taking activities to encourage student motivation to continue developing increasingly complex relational competencies as they age.

Speakers



Michelle Garcia Winner

Michelle Garcia Winner, MA, CCC-SLP, is the founder and CEO of Social Thinking and a globally recognized thought leader, author, speaker, and social-cognitive therapist. She is dedicated to helping people of all ages develop social emotional learning, including those with social learning differences. Across her 35+ year career she has created numerous evidence-based and evidence-informed strategies and teaching frameworks.



Pamela Crooke

Pamela Crooke, PhD, CCC-SLP, is Chief Curriculum Officer and Director of Research, Content, Clinical Services, and the Social Thinking Training & Speakers’ Collaborative. She served as a clinical faculty member of three universities and worked as a speech-language pathologist in the Arizona public schools for 15 years. Pam is a prolific speaker both in North America and abroad, and has co-authored, with Michelle Garcia Winner, five award-winning books related to Social Thinking.



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Registration Form

Submit this form by scanning and emailing it to conferences@socialthinking.com or faxing it to 407-557-8594.



Lunch Provided

INDIVIDUAL		TEAM	
# OF DAYS	PROFESSIONAL	NON PROFESSIONAL	PROFESSIONAL
1 Day	\$199	\$179.10	\$179.10
2 Days	\$398	\$358.20	\$358.20

All discounts based on the price of a Regular Professional ticket.

Professional Pricing: Applies to individuals who will use the information presented at the conference as part of their paraprofessional or professional work. Only those registering as Professionals will have access to continuing education credit.

Nonprofessional Pricing: Applies to individuals who are 1. family members or caregivers assisting those in their care with social learning challenges 2. students enrolled in an academic program who are training to become a paraprofessional or professional.

Team Pricing: Applies if 5 or more professionals register at the SAME TIME; prices are per person. If you would like to register a team with separate payments, all registration info and payments must be received together to be eligible for team pricing.

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404 Saratoga Ave. #200, Santa Clara, CA 95050

Total Number of Attendees:

Grand Total Price:

Fill out the information below for each attendee

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NOTE: You are not registered until we receive and process payment. When submitting registration(s) for others, include the name and email of the actual attendee and not your own, as the confirmation email should go to the true attendee. Name substitutions will incur a \$20 change fee. Any onsite changes will incur a \$75 fee.

Name: _____ Email: _____

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CANCELLATION AND CHANGE POLICY:

Conference attendees who cancel their registration for any reason up to 15 days prior to the first day of the conference will be charged a \$20 administration fee for each day they are cancelling. The remainder of the paid conference fee will be refunded no later than 4 weeks past the cancellation date. No cancellations are accepted 14 or fewer days before the first day of the conference. If any other change is requested such as a name change on any attendee registration, there is a \$20 administration fee per change.

Print and attach more forms if needed