

# ECoLoGiC Treatment Training, Tips, and Resources: Providing Conversation-Level Intervention for People with Moderate and Severe Aphasia

<b><u>Speaker:</u></b>	Marion C. Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP
<b><u>Sponsors:</u></b>	QLI
<b><u>Date/Location:</u></b>	March 21-22, 2025 (Friday-Saturday) QLI 🌍 – 6404 N. 70 <sup>th</sup> Plz. – in person seating limited Interactive online via Zoom
<b><u>Contact Hours:</u></b>	8.0 educational contact hours; must attend both days to earn credit
<b><u>Fees:</u></b>	\$50
<b><u>Target Audience:</u></b>	Speech-Language Pathologists
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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

In this workshop, Dr. Marion Leaman will present ECoLoGiC Treatment (ECoLoGiC-Tx; Expanding Communication and Language Opportunities Generated in Conversation)—an intervention procedure that she and Lisa Edmonds, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, developed to address the conversational language needs of people with moderate and severe aphasia. Dr. Leaman will provide detailed information about the ECoLoGiC-Tx protocol, basic theoretical underpinnings, and results for people who have completed the program. She will also share assessment, goal-writing, documentation resources, and insights from a panel of SLPs and students experienced in delivering ECoLoGiC-Tx.

Extension to various subpopulations of people with aphasia—such as those benefitting from use of a communication book, those with severe comprehension difficulties, those with mild aphasia, or those who are non-English speakers—will be discussed as well. Learning will occur through lectures, video examples, hands-on practice, and discussion. Following the workshop, SLPs will have the needed knowledge and resources to begin delivering ECoLoGiC-Tx to their clients with aphasia.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Participants will explain the steps of the ECoLoGiC Treatment protocol.
- ❖ Participants will summarize why using spontaneous conversation is critical when delivering ECoLoGiC Treatment.
- ❖ Participants will generate three goals addressing person-centered needs in conversation that relate to ECoLoGiC Treatment outcomes.

## AGENDA

### Friday:

- Workshop starts: 1:00 pm CST
- Workshop ends: 5:00 pm CST

### Saturday:

- Workshop starts: 8:00 am CST
- Workshop ends: 12:00 pm CST

**8.0 Contact hours**

## Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

CENTRAL TIME ZONE	TYPE	TITLE
12:45 – 1:00		Zoom waiting room opens
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Workshop Starts</b>	
1:00 – 1:45	Discussion	Welcome & Activity: Observing and Analyzing Casual Conversations
1:45 – 3:45	Lecture	Lecture with Video Examples: Overview of ECoLoGiC Treatment
3:45 – 4:15	Discussion	Q&A with Discussion
4:15 – 5:00	Lecture	Developing and Using a Communication Book in ECoLoGiC Treatment

## Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

CENTRAL TIME ZONE	TYPE	TITLE
7:45 – 8:00		Zoom waiting room opens
<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Workshop Starts</b>	
8:00 – 9:00	Discussion	Video examples with discussion
9:00 – 10:00	Assessment	Assessment, Goal-Setting, In-Session Documentation Resources and Practice Time
10:00 – 10:30	Discussion	Sharing Experiences: Recorded Panel of SLPs and Students who have delivered ECoLoGiC treatment
10:30 – 11:00	Discussion	Q&A with Discussion
11:00-11:30	Lecture	Additional Considerations: ECoLoGiC-Tx for people with severe comprehension difficulty, bilingual/non-English speakers, and people with mild aphasia
11:30 – 12:00	Discussion/ Assessment	Final Q&A; Wrap-Up with assessment

## Speaker

### **Marion C. Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP**

Marion C. Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, is an Assistant Professor at the University of Kansas Medical Center, where she is the Director of the ALL-CAN-Converse Aphasia Lab. She developed the ECoLoGiC Treatment over the course of her clinical career as a Speech-Language Pathologist specializing in aphasia and has conducted research on the approach with colleague Lisa A. Edmonds, Ph.D., CCC-SLP.



Marion was recognized as a Tavistock Distinguished Scholar in 2021 for excellence in improving the quality of life of people with aphasia through her groundbreaking work regarding ECoLoGiC Treatment. She has presented on ECoLoGiC Treatment at regional, national, and international conferences.



#### **Financial Disclosures:**

**This speaker, Marion C. Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, is employed by and receives a salary from the University of Kansas Medical Center.**

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#### **Non-Financial Disclosures:**

**The speaker, Marion C. Leaman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, has no non-financial disclosures to report.**

**This workshop focuses on one intervention, ECoLoGiC-Tx (Expanding Communication and Language Opportunities Generated in Conversation) for people with moderate and severe aphasia. ECoLoGiC-Tx was developed by the presenter and Lisa A. Edmonds, Ph.D., CCC-SLP. No other aphasia interventions will be presented.**



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