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Pattern of Strengths
and Weaknesses in
Specific Learning
Disability Evaluation:

What's It All About?

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Pattern of Strengths and Weaknesses in Specific Learning Disability Evaluation: What's It All About?

October 24, 2008

9 am–4 pm

(Registration 8:30-9:00 a.m.)

Despite relevant research findings and recent changes in federal and state laws, establishing an acceptable and uniform criterion for Specific Learning Disability (SLD) identification continues to be a significant challenge for most local educational agencies (LEAs). The federal definition of SLD and how educators measure the SLD construct were not aligned under the historic definition of SLD (the Full Scale IQ/academic achievement discrepancy model); school teams frequently ignored the criterion in everyday practice. With the shift to new criteria for identifying learning disabilities under Pattern of Strengths and Weaknesses relevant to the identification of SLD (PSW), the likelihood of alignment between research, LEAs' policies, and everyday practice might prove even more elusive—particularly if teams are not provided with coherent, concise, and accurate information on best practice. This presentation will discuss the role of the PSW model in a comprehensive evaluation for SLD. The presentation will also discuss how to use a wide variety of assessment tools and strategies, including PSW and RTI, to provide a full and individual special education assessment that is relevant to intervention and student achievement.

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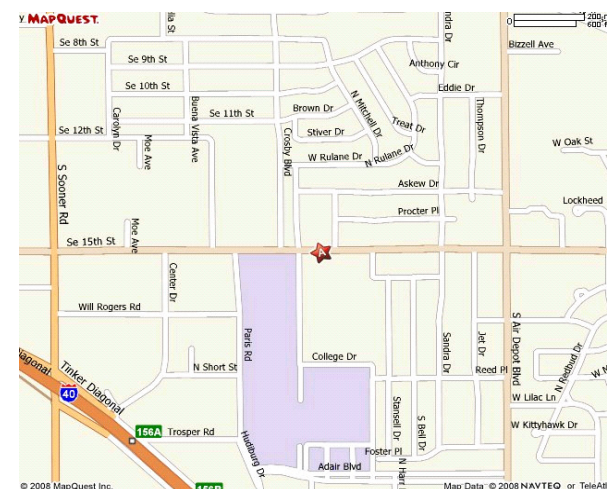
James Hanson has been the president of the Oregon School Psychologists Association (OSPA) on two occasions. In this capacity, he has worked with the Oregon Department of Education to clarify the new regulations regarding specific learning disabilities, with a special emphasis on research-based methods of Pattern of Strengths and Weaknesses (PSW) that are relevant to the identification of a learning disability. Together with the ODE, Jim has presented three times to Oregon special education administrators at their state conference, as well as at Oregon state conferences for teachers, parents, community professionals, and other school personnel. Jim chaired the multi-disciplinary OSPA PSW committee that provides technical assistance to school districts across the state as they move toward the NASP recommended models of RTI combined with PSW. OSPA's efforts have been successful, with the vast majority of Oregon school districts adopting more research-based practices and moving away from the IQ/Achievement discrepancy model. Jim has been on the Board of Directors of the Oregon Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (ORBIDA) and currently serves at its Government and School Relations Co-Chair. Jim has presented at NASP conferences as well as at state school psychology conferences from Alaska to Louisiana.

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