



DANIELLE CAREY

Speech-Language Pathologist

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EDUCATION

M.S. Speech Pathology

Old Dominion University

2010-2012

B.S. Communication Sciences
& Disorders

East Carolina University

Magna Cum Laude

2006-2010

CERTIFICATIONS

- IAOM Board Certified Orofacial Myologist
- TOTS: Tethered Oral Tissues Specialty
- Sequential Oral Sensory Feeding Training
- Basic DIR/Floortime Certification

HONORS/AWARDS

- ACE (Award for Continuing Education)
Award Recipient, 2019, 2020, 2025
- Recognized by Apraxia Kids for advanced training in Apraxia
- Scottish Rite Fellowship Award, 2010-2011
- AmeriCorp Education Award (900 volunteer hours), 2009

Objective

Danielle is an expert-level clinician with advanced training in tethered oral tissues, dysphagia (infant through adult), myofunctional disorders, speech sound disorders, apraxia of speech, and the use of speech-generating devices.

In 2025, Danielle served as Conference Chair for the IAOM Conference, a sold-out event that brought together leading clinicians, researchers, and vendors in the field.

WORK EXPERIENCE

April 2024-Present

NC Tongue Tie Center

Speech-Language Pathologist

- Developed speech therapy, feeding therapy, myofunctional therapy program within a dental practice.
- Provide consultations to dental clients about the impact of tongue ties/orofacial myofunctional disorders on speech, feeding, and airways problems.
- Trained staff on neurodiverse affirming practices to allow for increased completion of dental appointments.

Emerge Pediatric Therapy

May 2020-April 2024

Clinical Manager/Speech-Language Pathologist

- Managed a team of SLPs, OTs, and PT and oversaw clinical programs, ensuring high-quality patient care outcomes.
- Planned and led monthly clinic location meetings, quarterly budgets, annual reviews, PRN Skill development meetings, and Performance Intervention Plan meetings
- Provided conflict-resolution for caregivers/clients/staff as needed to help maintain the company's core values.

The Therapy SPOT

March 2015-March 2020

Lead Speech Language Pathologist

- Developed and implemented therapy programs to help patients improve their speech and communication skills.
- Provided direct patient care and conducted comprehensive assessments to determine appropriate treatment plans.
- Collaborated with other healthcare professionals to ensure a holistic and coordinated approach to patient care.
- Complete compliance checks for documentation matching insurance guidelines.

WORK EXPERIENCE, CONTINUED

Aegis-Therapies

March 2015–June 2016

Speech Language Pathologist

- Evaluated and treated adults with communication disorders, including speech, language, and swallowing difficulties.
 - Developed and implemented personalized therapy plans to improve clients' speech and language skills.
 - Participated in weekly team meetings to discuss patient progress/plans.
 - Recommended restorative programs for patients upon discharge.
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Tender Touch

July 2013–March 2015

Speech Language Pathologist

- Led group therapy sessions for adults with aphasia, facilitating improved speech and language abilities.
 - Conducted comprehensive assessments to diagnose and develop therapy goals for clients with communication difficulties.
 - Collaborated with parents and teachers to create personalized treatment plans and monitor progress.
 - Provided individualized therapy to children with speech and language disorders, improving communication skills.
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DePaul Healthcare (Absecon Manor)

October 2012–October 2014

Speech Language Pathologist

- Assessed, diagnosed and treated speech and swallowing related disorders.
 - Identified and properly documented patient goals, evaluated progress and planned reevaluation.
 - Reviewed physician referrals and patient medical records to formulate an accurate diagnosis and best course of treatment.
 - Advocated for and strove to protect the health, safety and rights of the patient.
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023–**Relias Therapy Education**– Invited Speaker on podcast *“Growing Up in a Pandemic: Impact on Kids with Developmental Delay”*
- 2025–**Relias Therapy Education**– Subject Matter Expert Reviewer
- **Summit Professional Education** (08/2023–present): 2 courses (A Guide to Functional Support for Lip & Tongue Ties & Pediatric Feeding Disorders)
- 2024, 2025 **Medbridge Production** (02/2024–present): 7 courses (Pediatric Feeding: Foundational Knowledge, A Guide to Functional Frenectomy, Sensory Knowledge, Supporting caregivers supports progress, Systematic Assessment, Treatment approach for multifaceted feeding difficulties, and Neurodiverse Affirming Care in Pediatrics: Improving Engagement and Promoting Progress.
- 2024, 2025 **Education Resources Inc.** (04/2024–present): 2 courses (North Carolina Birth–3 Conference Invited Speaker: Expanding Your Toolbox for Apraxia of Speech: Red Flags, Assessment and Intervention Strategies & Feeding Challenges: Sensory vs. Structural vs. Experience)
- 2024–2025 International Association of Orofacial Myology– Conference Chair
- 2024–2025 International Association of Orofacial Myology– ASHA CEA Liaison

PUBLICATIONS

Merkel-Walsh, R., Carey, D., Burnside, A., Grime, D., Turkich, D., Tseng, R. J., & Smart, S. (2025). Effectiveness of Orofacial Myofunctional Therapy for Speech Sound Disorders in Children: A Systematic Review. *International Journal of Orofacial Myology and Myofunctional Therapy*, 51(1), 4. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijom51010004>