

Department of Psychology

Workshop

The Power of Two: Families and Professionals Working as Partners for Children with Different Abilities to Become Independent, Productive and Happy



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Why do families of people with different abilities in Peru participate actively in their education?

One key to the success of our students at the Centro Ann Sullivan in Peru (CASP) is what we call the “Power of Two”, where families and professional behavior analysts work as a team. Forty years ago, Dr. Mayo founded The School of Families of CASP, with just eight students and their families. Now they provide behavior-analysis training for more than 450 families, each year. At CASP, families are partners in the education of their children. Together with CASP’s professional behavior analysts, they work as a team to provide the very comprehensive behavior-analysis intervention and education for their students. CASP families receive a total of 171 hours of behavior analysis training annually, through group and individual sessions. Each family receives their own, annually updated, individual educational plan (IEP) that outlines the behavior-analytic skills they need to learn to be the best parents and teachers for their child. These skills are then taught in the classroom, in the community, and five times a year individual family training occurs in the home of the student. CASP believes the whole family is important to the success of the student and as such, twice a year more than 400 siblings of our students attend training to learn behavior-analytic skills that help being a sibling and also a teacher.

Dr. Mayo’s presentation will be streamed live:

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Saturday, Dec. 7

1710 Wood

9 a.m. - noon

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