

2026

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TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF AUDIOLOGISTS
AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

68th TAASLP Convention

SLP-Medical Track

October 9, 2026

Lipscomb University



Time	Presentation Title
8:00 - 9:00	Supporting individuals with Aphasia using Augmentative and Alternative Communication Strategies Part I Dr. Kristy Weissling
9:10-10:10	Supporting individuals with Aphasia using Augmentative and Alternative Communication Strategies Part II Dr. Kristy Weissling
10:10-10:40	Break - Poster displays/Exhibitor Hall
10:40-11:40	Rating Acute Laryngeal Injury: A Novel Scale for SLP and ENT Elizabeth Norberg
11:40-1:00	Lunch (on own)
1:00-2:00	Making Sense of Attention, Memory, and Executive Function: Improving Clinical Reasoning in Adult Neurogenic Disorders Dr. Caroline Gammill
2:10-3:10	Are We Practicing Without Consent? Findings From a National Survey of SLPs on Dysphagia Management, Risk Knowledge, and Disclosure Practices Dr. Matthew Ward
3:20-4:20	SLPs and Palliative Care: Improving Quality of Life Through Communication, Swallowing, and Compassionate Care Jan Ward
4:30-5:30	Why It Matters: Translating Neuroanatomy into Functional Impact and Risk in SLP Practice Catherine Castillo

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SLP-Practice/Legislation Track

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Time	Presentation Title
8:00 - 9:00	Understanding Tennessee Licensure: Board Operations, Regulation, and Current Issues Candyce Wilson
9:10-10:10	Assuming Competence and Leading with Curiosity in Collaborative Care Courtney Wright
10:10-10:40	Break - Poster displays/Exhibitor Hall
10:40-11:40	Top Legislative Issues Impacting SLPs and Auds: Advocacy in Action Jennifer Henderson Dr. Elizabeth Humphrey Shequria Williams Jan Ward Jessica Lenden-Holt
11:40-1:00	Lunch (on own)
1:00-2:00	Breaking Down Silos: Effective SLP-Educator Collaboration to Support Professional and Student Outcomes Zoe Hussy
2:10-3:10	When AI Sounds Right But Isn't: Practical and Ethical Guidance for SLPs Navigating AI-Generated Content Dr. Becky Jones
3:20-4:20	Sustaining Efficient and Effective School-Based Speech-Language Pathology Programs: Mentorship and Supervision Dr. Andrea Moore
4:30-5:30	Supporting AAC for Students Transitioning from the School Setting Kerry Hankins Whitney Derga

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Audiology Track

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8:00 - 9:00	Clinic to Cochlea: Connecting Patient Experience with Mouse Models of Pain Hyperacusis Dr. Megan Beers Wood
9:10-10:10	Octave-Band Sound Evokes Pain-like Behavior in Mice Dr. Amy Connor
10:10-10:40	Break - Poster displays/Exhibitor Hall
10:40-11:40	Tinnitus, Hearing Loss, and Disorders of Sound Tolerance in the Music-Exposed Population Dr. Marc Fagelson
11:40-1:00	Lunch (on own)
1:00-2:00	Hearing Aid Music Programs: Automatic Switching Accuracy and Listener Benefit Dr. Hasan Saleh Dr. Jennifer Hausladen Dr. Patrick Plyler
2:10-3:10	Music Audiology in Practice: Clinical Cases and a Hearing Conservation Plan Framework Dr. Jason Baker
3:20-4:20	Don't Forget the Music! Get Them Talking When You Use It! Eva Hampton Carla Monroe Ginny Willis
4:30-5:30	From Hearing to Harmony: Optimizing MED-EL Cochlear Implant Technology for Music Enjoyment Dr. Carla Facer Dr. Brittany Seiffert

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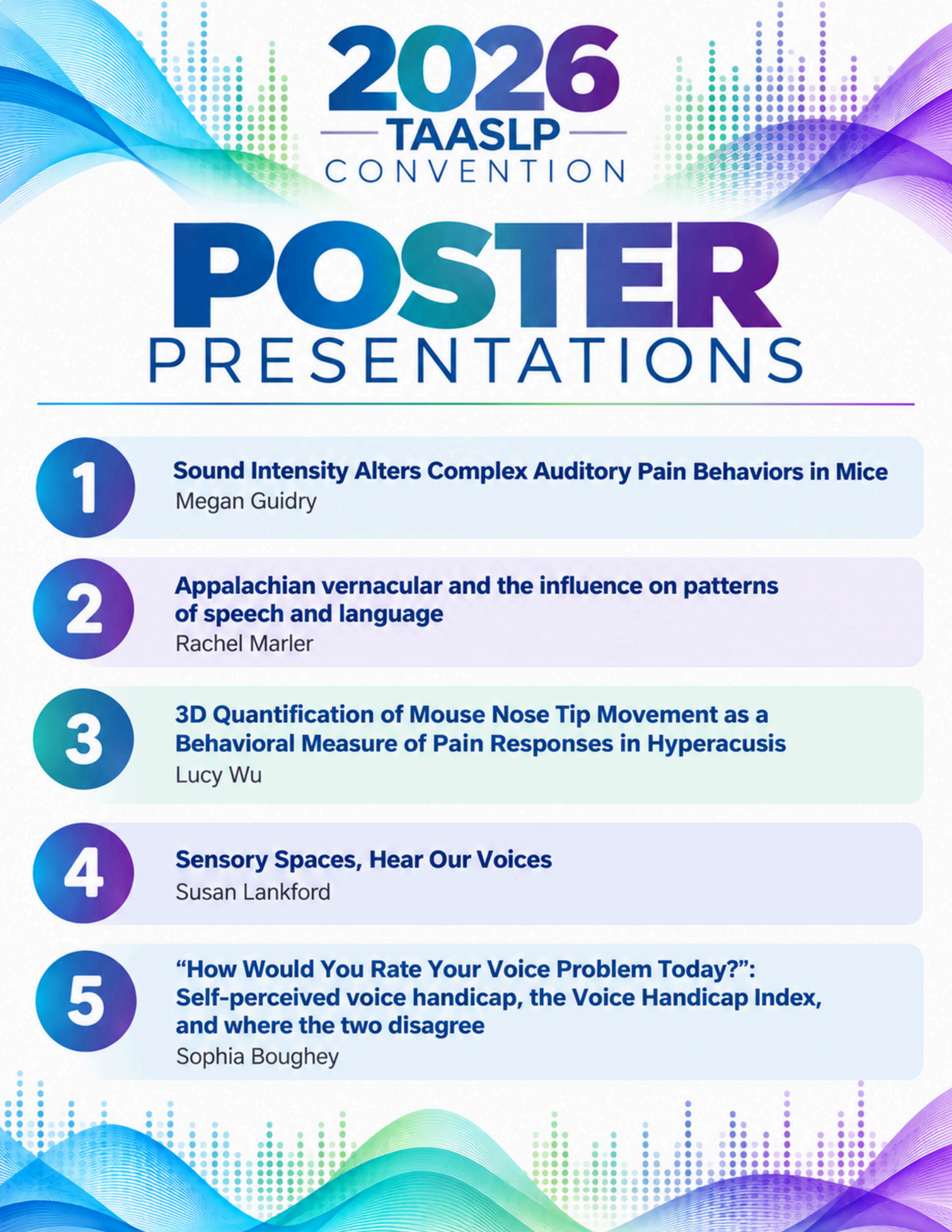
SLP-Pediatric Track

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8:00 - 9:00	The AAC P.A.G.E.S: Profile, Analysis of Learning, and Goals Trina Becker Beth Bergstrom
9:10-10:10	Theory of Mind Content and Home Literacy Practices During Shared Reading Dr. Kristin Secora
10:10-10:40	Break - Poster displays/Exhibitor Hall
10:40-11:40	Holistic Assessment of Children with Speech Sound Disorders Alexis Moser
11:40-1:00	Lunch (on own)
1:00-2:00	22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome Melissa Henry
2:10-3:10	Stuttering Therapy - It's Not About Syllables Stuttered and Still About Behavior! Part I Jack Henderson
3:20-4:20	Stuttering Therapy - It's Not About Syllables Stuttered and Still About Behavior! Part II Jack Henderson
4:30-5:30	From Strategies to Support: A Practical Framework for Caregiver Coaching in Early Intervention Amanda Cox Lydia Barry Katie Akers



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POSTER PRESENTATIONS

1

Sound Intensity Alters Complex Auditory Pain Behaviors in Mice

Megan Guidry

2

Appalachian vernacular and the influence on patterns of speech and language

Rachel Marler

3

3D Quantification of Mouse Nose Tip Movement as a Behavioral Measure of Pain Responses in Hyperacusis

Lucy Wu

4

Sensory Spaces, Hear Our Voices

Susan Lankford

5

“How Would You Rate Your Voice Problem Today?”: Self-perceived voice handicap, the Voice Handicap Index, and where the two disagree

Sophia Boughey

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3714 Belmont Blvd, Nashville, TN 37215

- North Parking Garage (on left behind Engineering Center)
- Nursing Center Parking Lot (on left beside the Nursing Center)

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ON-CAMPUS DINING

Bennett Student Center On-Campus Dining



7a – 10p



8a – 7p

Lipscomb Granny White Center Dining (Behind Student Center & past Lipscomb Academy)

The Well
Coffeehouse



6a – 5p

Victor Tango



11a – 9p



ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Registration

James D. Hughes Center Lobby
(Floor 2)

Exhibitors

Nursing & Health Sciences Center
Lobby (Floor 1)

Audiology Track

Nursing & Health Sciences Center
Room 114 (Floor 1)

Pediatric/School SLP Track

Nursing & Health Sciences Center
Room 118 (Floor 1)

Medical/Adult SLP Track

James D. Hughes Center
Room 302 (Floor 3)

Practice/Legislation Track

James D. Hughes Center
Room 305 (Floor 3)

Poster Presentations

James D. Hughes Center
Lobby (Floor 2)

CEU Checkout

James D. Hughes Center
Lobby (Floor 2)

Volunteers Room

James D. Hughes Center
Lobby (Floor 2)

Student Knowledge Quest Hosted By the Stepping Stones Group

Nursing & Health Sciences Center
Room 118 (Floor 1)



Meet sidekick

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To empower our clients to live full and purposeful lives.



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- Professional Development★
- Employee Well-Being★
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- Innovation
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- Speech-Language Pathology
- Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing Therapy
- Early Intervention
- Teletherapy
- Bilingual Services

What Sets Us Apart

- Locations throughout Tennessee and North Carolina allow you to live, work, and play in the community of your choice
- Part-time options allow our teammates to flex up or down days, as needed
- Many of our school partners receive services at little to no cost to the district or our patients' families

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- Part-Time, Full-Time, and flexible schedules available
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- 401(k) match for all employees
- Employee Assistance Program offering free counseling and referral services



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- Flexible scheduling to support work-life balance
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- Annual materials reimbursement
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Additional Benefits

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