

## CCWS

Shares the vision of improving services to people who stutter with organizations and clinicians including:

The Special Interest Division for Fluency Disorders of ASHA

The Stuttering Foundation of America

The National Stuttering Association

Other universities with special programs in stuttering

Other clinicians with a special interest in stuttering

The Rileys, who participated in forming the CCWS, received the Malcolm Fraser Award for Clinical Excellence from the SFA



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## Center for Children Who Stutter



We envision a future where a child who stutters need not become an adult who stutters.

Using the latest research findings available, including California State University Fullerton's extensive research project for childhood stuttering, this privately supported Center provides expertise in stuttering diagnosis, prevention, treatment and community education.

Our mission is to help children communicate effectively as well as to provide professional training and mentoring to clinicians and students. *The Center for Children Who Stutter* (CCWS) actively advocates for the dignity and rights of children who stutter. Parents are informed of their rights under existing legislation.

### EARLY INTERVENTION

There are approximately 10,000 children who stutter within easy access to CCWS. Research has shown that with appropriate early intervention, recovery rates are very high.

### MANAGEMENT

Stuttering and related behaviors are assessed along with the child's attitude about talking. We look at the "whole child" and based on the assessment profile, combine treatment programs to meet the child's needs.



Therapy may focus on:

- Guidance of the family communication style
- Maintaining/improving the child's positive feelings about his/her speech
- Maintaining/improving the child's ability to tolerate reactions to his/her speech
- Improving the child's speech motor coordination and language skills
- Use of fluency-enhancing techniques

### RESEARCH

The Center for Children Who Stutter integrates its research projects with research that is already underway in the Communication Disorders Department at California State University Fullerton. Treatment efficacy studies and an investigation on speech motor aspects of stuttering are examples of current projects.



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