



TREETOP TALK



**Anna Shaw
Children's Institute**

May 2021

Our Video Library is available on our website! Our library includes all webinars, Reading Around the Tree videos, and Music in the Treetops videos. To access this library, please [click here](#).

May is Better Speech and Hearing Month

Anna Shaw Children's Institute provides champion care to children and families for happy, healthy lives. Many of the children that receive services at Anna Shaw Children's Institute have speech and/or language disorders. Speech refers to the physical act of speaking, while language refers to the words we use and how we use them to communicate our wants, needs, and ideas. Here are some simple facts about speech and language disorders:

- By the first grade, roughly 5% of children have noticeable speech disorders. (asha.org)
- Research has found that 20% to 40% of children with a family history of speech and language impairment have the condition themselves, compared with about 4% of those with no family history of SLI. (understood.org)
- 6–8 million Americans have some form of language impairment. (asha.org)
- As many as 5% of school-age children are believed to have a language disorder. This makes language disorders some of the more common childhood disorders. (understood.org)
- Of the 6.1 million children with disabilities who received special education services under IDEA in public schools in the 2005–2006 school year, more than 1.1 million were served under the category of speech or language impairment. (understood.org)
- Dyslexia is common among children with mixed receptive-expressive language issues. (understood.org)
- One large study of children with language disorders found that many also had ADHD (19%), followed by anxiety disorders (10%) and oppositional defiant disorder (ODD), and conduct disorder (7% combined). (understood.org)
- 40 million Americans have communication disorders. (asha.org)

If you suspect your child has a speech or language disorder, please discuss this with your child's primary care physician for a referral to Anna Shaw Children's Institute.

For more information about Speech and Language Disorders please visit the following links:

- Asha.org
- Understood.org
- Speechandlanguagekids.com
- Allisonfors.com

Meet Some of our Team Members



Hannah Cannon



Ashley Johnson



Laurie Shaw



Laura "Lynn" Sams

Classes to **Help, Advise, & Motivate Parents**

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Webinar Series



Webinar Series

Tuesday, June 1

New Time: 12pm

Topic:

Resources: Grants, Waivers &
Financial Assistance Programs

Presenters:

Jessica Truelove, RN &
Jennifer Bray, BSW, Social Worker

Visit the event section on
[Facebook.com/HamiltonCares](https://www.facebook.com/HamiltonCares)
for live streaming information.

FUTURE TOPICS:

To Be Announced



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Saturday Workshop: Strategies for Behavior Management



Saturday, June 12
9am-Noon

Presenter:

Evan Anderson, PhD
Pediatric Psychologist

Anna Shaw Children's Institute
1201 Burleyson Road, Dalton
Southern Magnolia Meeting Room

Please park in the lower level parking lot.
The upper entrance is locked at 6pm. Space is limited.

Call 706-226-8911 to RSVP.

The workshop is for parents, grandparents, and guardians. No childcare will be provided.
If you would like to attend this class and need assistance with interpretation services and/or auxiliary aids, please indicate when registering. Anna Shaw Children's Institute follows social distancing and CDC safety guidelines.



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Parent Support Group



**The Parent Support Group meets
the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm.**

All parents, grandparents, guardians, and other family members of children with special needs are invited to take part in a new parent-led Parent Support Group.

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- CHILDREN ARE WELCOME
- CHILDCARE IS PROVIDED
- FREE PIZZA, DRINKS, AND A FUN ACTIVITY

Southern Magnolia room on the lower level
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1201 Burleyson Road
Dalton, Georgia

Call to RSVP
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GRUPO DE APOYO PARA PADRES LATINOS

Todos los padres, abuelos, guardianes, y otros miembros de la familia de niños con necesidades especiales están invitados a tomar parte en un grupo de apoyo para padres, dirigido por los padres.

Anna Shaw Children's Institute se apega a las guías de seguridad y recomendaciones de distanciamiento social de la CDC.



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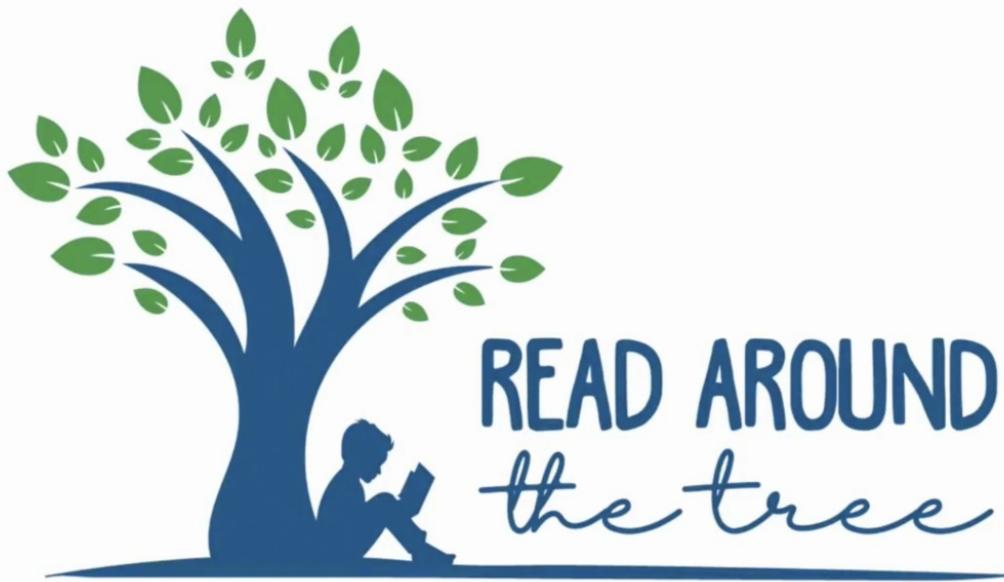
**SEGUNDO VIERNES
DE CADA MES**



8:30 - 10:00 am

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Join us each Wednesday on the [Hamilton Health Care System Facebook page](#) for a book reading around the tree by the Anna Shaw Children's Institute staff. There are also several pre-recorded stories on [Hamilton's YouTube channel](#). Click the picture below to watch Lynn Sams, a speech therapist at Anna Shaw Children's Institute, read *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson.



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