

# ATTENTION: TEACHERS, PARENTS AND PROFESSIONALS WORKING WITH STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMMUNICATION DIFFICULTIES

(including Speech and Language difficulties, Moderate to Severe Intellectual Disabilities, and Autism)



**Professional Association for Learning Support Inc.**

## ASSISTIVE COMMUNICATION PROGRAMS

**Using Assistive Communication Programs to Differentiate Curriculum Activities and Facilitate Inclusion of Students who have Communication Disabilities. (e.g. iPad with Proloquo2Go and other Apps)**

**Date: Saturday 27th April 2013, 9am – 3pm**

**Venue: Coronation Club 86 Burwood Rd, Burwood NSW**

### Presenter

Nicki Levi is a teacher who has previously taught as a tenured academic at University of Western Sydney in the Master of Education Support Teaching program as well as Special Needs and Primary programs. Nicki has also taught Literacy for Corrective Services, worked as a Secondary STLA, as a Primary Teacher and as a Special Education Teacher K–12 with students who have Moderate to Severe Intellectual Disabilities, Multiple Disabilities and Autism.

### Purpose

The course aims to provide school personnel, parents and professionals with a working knowledge of “state of the art” assistive communication programs for students who have difficulty producing clear speech. In particular this course will develop practical skills in the use of the “Proloquo2Go” assistive communication program.

### Outline—This is a PRACTICAL course

Participants will learn to:

Navigate and speak using the Proloquo2Go program;

Use the program for particular “pragmatic language” purposes (e.g. to request mealtime items; to ask and answer questions; to make choices; to reject etc.);

Develop teaching and learning activities designed to meet the communication needs of individual students.

Use games to develop students’ understanding of skills needed to use the program.

Develop games and teaching and learning activities which are suited to their own professional situations.

Evaluate a number of other quality apps identified for use with students who experience difficulties with language and/or communication.

**Cost: \$50 members \$110 for non members (includes membership for 12 months)**

**Participants must bring their own iPad or iPod with the current version of Proloquo2Go already installed.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### To register fax this form to: (02) 9564 2342

You will be notified when your application is received, venue maps and further details on payment options will be provided.

PLEASE NOTE: Registrations will not be accepted on the day as numbers are strictly limited.

**Registration closes: 5.00pm Monday 22 April.** Registration enquiries: 02 9716 0378

Professional Association for Learning Support (PALs) is an endorsed provider with the NSW Institute of Teachers through membership of the Professional Teachers’ Council NSW (PTC NSW). Participants who are accredited at Professional Competence may count their attendance at this workshop towards their mandatory hours of Institute Registered Continuing Professional Development. Standards: 2.2.3; 2.2.5; 3.2.4; 4.2.5

The Australian Standards to be addressed: Proficient 1.5.2; 1.6.2; 2.6.2; 4.1.2.

