



## Evaluation Summary

Evaluation Summary submitted by audiences' feedback.

Gary Direnfeld – Summary from three Presentations

CONTENT	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The level of difficulty of this session was appropriate	41	41	0	0
The content was consistent with the session description	43	39	0	0
The time allotted for the content was appropriate	32	43	7	0
I will use the information learned in my daily activities	42	40	2	0

PRESENTER EFFECTIVENESS	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The presenter(s) demonstrated knowledge of subject matter	55	30	1	0
The presenter(s) style was conducive to learning	59	24	1	0
The presenter(s) used time effectively	53	30	2	0
The presenter(s) structured the session effectively	53	29	2	0
I would enjoy attending another session by this/these presenters	52	30	1	0

WHAT BEST DESCRIBES YOU?	Check all that apply
Parent (or family member) of a child/adult who is hard of hearing	22
Professional working to support children/adults who are hard of hearing	25
Individual who is hard of hearing	35
Other ( <i>please specify</i> :)	16

## PLEASE RATE YOUR OVERALL SATISFACTION WITH THIS EVENT

Circle One:	Very Good	Good	Average	Neutral	Poor
	60	17	2	1	0

# Comments from Three Gary Direnfeld Presentations Fall 2010

## What did you find most helpful about the presentation?

- Sibling Issues / Self – Esteem
- Tips on how to accommodate HOH individuals
- Owning your disability
- Delivery style was effective and technology was available – closed captioning.
- The big screen and the speaker everything that went on
- A good speaker.
- Self-Esteem Issue
- Loved interactive style
- Everything to people's stories, appreciation for the various dilemma / experiences described and address each of these.
- Early adolescent child ear infection from grandparents point of view.
- Learning how hearing loss makes you feel
- Learned lot of valuable information to share with others
- Explain on counseling
- Declines in self-esteem
- The speaker was creative and included a variety of perspectives on common problems.
- Hearing about self – esteem
- Description of day to day problems for person, I included, with a hearing loss.
- Self esteem.
- Gary's ability to tie in all the issues expressed by the audience and to interject humor into his presentation.
- Everything.
- About my family and hearing world.
- Knowledge, and spoke clearly.
- Gary was eager to answer all questions.
- Articulate humors.
- Being positive.
- Answered the questions she/he wanted.
- Needs to check at beginning.
- Talking about family issues and denial as result of hearing loss.
- It was very useful. He touched all the issues of need by HOH person.
- Development stages and issues specific to them.
- Understanding more about hearing loss and how to accommodate someone with hearing loss.
- Much useful info.
- Great speaker / very clear.
- Lots of information on a broad range of topics.
- Understanding of my problem. Example: acceptance of disability.

- Everything.
- Great speaker.
- The hearing assisting devices .
- Everything.
- Great information on CHHA-NL.
- Interactive and good information.
- Appealing to the audiences.
- Practical and real life.
- Examples and given opportunities to speak out.
- Interactions.
- How to accommodate with HOH people.
- A good overview of the issue.
- Interaction with audiences.

## **What did you find least helpful about the presentation?**

- Tips for spousal problems as this does not apply to me. (at the moment)
- Everything that went on
- Good
- At times he was all over the place.
- What devices are available?
- Learning of hearing loss.
- Open captioning not being on time.
- Discussion on children with hearing loss and development issues.
- The tangents not related to the issue and often just about the presenter.
- Nothing.
- A lot to fit in a brief time frame.

## **Comments/suggestions:**

- Made me more aware of things I can do to assist as hearing impaired person.
- Very enjoyable.
- Great Job!
- This is the first time I was somewhere and understand what event on. I love it!
- Awesome speaker! Would love to hear him again.
- As a person with recent sudden hearing loss I found the whole presentation very interesting and helpful.
- As a career counselor working with person with disabilities I like to attend workshops such as this one to learn as much about various disabilities as I can in an attempt to better understand their needs.
- Presenter is knowledgeable about his topic area but was slightly inaccurate about some hearing disorders/ practices.
- It would be helpful to have more input from participants on strategies that work in relationships, and in “owning “ - HL – in itself would make such a presentation more improving.

- I have always felt audiology is a blend of the service of assessing the hearing, but even more so, and an art of helping people who have hearing loss. My focus is on the individuals interpersonal relationships and how they impacted by hearing loss. Thank you for your helpful suggestion.
- I found the session very informative. I am in the early stage of hearing loss and this was my first experience in the type of form.
- Too vague and disoriented.
- It was worth driving a hour to come and a day from work.
- Discussion is a bit broad for a mixed group. Two hours can't do justice to the number of concerns such a varied group represents.
- Main speaker was exceptionally good at problem solving around hearing loss.
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- More people tell their stories for being deaf or whoever wants.
- The cart needs to try improves technology on open captioning.
- Could have used more time.
- It was interesting to hear and realize that the onus is on the "deaf" person to persuade others to communicate effectively with him/her.
- Outgoing demonstration of warm supportive relationships.
- Talks like this help the people with this disability when they have 5 different issues and help them to move in the society comfortably.
- Absolute great presentation.
- Great presentation.
- 3 hours
- Captioning not back for portion of session. No effort to tell facilitator and have corrected.
- None.
- A wealth of information.
- There was insufficient time for the wide range of topics covered.
- Good, enjoying presenter and topics.

## **Suggestions for other presentation you would like to see in the future:**

- More of the big screen. In churches theatres, any kinds of meeting this would be very helpful!
- More with HOH meetings.
- I would be interested in learning more about lip/speech reading.
- "Frustration of the spouse or caregiver".
- More focused sessions on some of the aspects covered tonight:
  - HL and intimacy
  - HL and children, parents and family
    - HL and aging
    - HL and safety
  - HL and giving up with it in you and the family
- Display of helpful devices!
- Basic lip reading skills, helpful hints by professionals/yourself
- Very good presentation

- Bring these same speakers back.
- To have more CI applicants and deaf with lip reading/ speech to come and listen to what Gary have to say.
- Uses and maintains of the equipment.
- Similar presentation, great job.
- Steps to determine if candidate for CI.
- Assessment tools for teacherse to use to assess language on how to specifically work on self-esteem for students who are DHH.
- Available, and innovative technologies.
- Presentation from an audiologist, different types of hearing aids, and steps to protect from hearing loss.
- It would be good to leave a similar session devoted to my specific group:

I.E. 50 – 60 years olds coping with hearing loss.

An overview session can only touch on the various issues.. (the handwriting was unclear to understand afterwards).

## **How did you hear about this presentation (Please select al that apply)**

- Other: E-mail schoolboard
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- Other: E-mail schoolboard
- From a Health Professional
- Other: NLAASLPA Conference Info.
- Mail out
- Other: Family member
- Other: Family member
- Mail out
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and website
- From a Health Professional
- Newspaper Ad and from a friend
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- NLAASLPA
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and Poster
- Mail out
- Newspaper Ad
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and poster
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter, poster and from health professional
- Mail out and T.V
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and CHHA president and local t.v channel
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and mail out
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter, mail out and family member

- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and mail out
- No Comment
- From a friend and a health professional
- From a friend and a family
- Newspaper Ad
- From a Health Professional
- Newspaper Ad
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- Other: Rogers Cable
- From a friend
- From a friend
- No Comment
- No Comment
- Other: E-mail
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- Newspaper Ad, CHHA-NL website and CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and poster
- Other: One of CHHA-NL member
- Other: From my work at CHHA-NL, CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and poster
- Other: Dept. of E.L?
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- No Comment
- No Comment
- Radio announcement and a friend
- CHHA-NL e-mail newspaper
- CHHA-NL e-mail newspaper and mail out
- From a friend
- Newspaper Ad
- CHHA-NL newsletter
- CHHA-NL class
- From a friend
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and website
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and from CHHA-NL employee
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter and from CHHA-NL employee
- Other: e-mail from ILRC
- Poster
- From a friend
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL website
- Radio announcement
- Mail out
- CHHA-NL website, e-mail newsletter, mail out and poster.

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- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- Other: Family member
- CHHA-NL website
- From a Health Professional
- Mail out
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter, from a friend and a health professional
- From a Health Professional
- CHHA-NL website
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter
- Radio announcement
- Radio announcement
- CHHA-NL e-mail newsletter, radio announcement and a friend.
- Radio announcement
- Other: Aimee Reardon

