



Accessibility Consulting, Home Modifications,
and Assistive Technology

UNIQUE, INTERACTIVE
2-DAY SEMINAR

FOR:

Occupational Therapists
Physical Therapists
Physicians & Nurses
Case Managers/Social Workers
Medicaid Waiver Providers

Building Contractors
Industrial Designers & Interior Designers
Architects & Landscape Architects
Housing Agency Support Staff
Consumers & Advocates

INSTRUCTOR:

Shoshana Shamberg, MS, OTR/L

President of AOTSS/ Accessibility Consultant/ Independent Living Consultant
Over 20 years of experience in this specialty area

See website for upcoming dates/locations of this 2-day seminar
Ongoing Internet-based training, mentoring, and home study programs are also available

www.aotss.com

Seminar hosting or sponsorship available at your location

CEUs for OT and PT



AOTA APPROVED PROVIDER #5019
NBCOT PREFERRED PROVIDER REGISTRY MEMBER

SEMINAR DESCRIPTION

Learn about one of the newest and most innovative specialty areas for healthcare and design/build professionals. This is an interactive 2-day seminar which uses actual case studies focusing on promoting safety and independent living services for pediatric through geriatric populations and encompasses a wide range of physical and cognitive disabilities. Evaluate home environments for accessible design solutions.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of the seminar, each participant will be able to

- Understand the historical and legislative development of accessible design guidelines and building codes and their impact on public policies, persons with disabilities, and the private sector.
- Use assistive technology, adaptive equipment, common/specialized architectural products, and environmental modifications to maximize independence, accessibility, and safety of clients.
- Identify benefits of and problems with environmental elements in order to formulate the best options and solutions when providing accessibility consulting services.
- Understand the effects of aging, progressive illness, trauma, and lifelong disability on functional performance and apply strategies and assessment tools to determine the impact of environmental barriers on a person's ability to perform daily activities.
- Utilize the basic principles of universal design, inclusive design, barrier-free design, environmental retrofitting, and visitability for residential, long-term care, and public settings in order to create barrier-free environments for pediatric through geriatric populations.
- Discuss the pros and cons of independent living, long-term care, and other housing alternatives for maximizing quality of life when a client is faced with functional decline due to aging or disability.
- Explore and engage in collaborative relationships with medical and design/build professionals in order to document ergonomic solutions to environmental problems using a team approach.
- Create an accessible environment using the information learned.

INSTRUCTOR

Shoshana Shamberg, MS, OTR/L, is president of AOTSS and an accessibility consultant since 1989. She presently teaches the only Internet-based training/home study program on this topic for healthcare and design/build professionals, which has an international participation. She is the former owner of a building contracting firm specializing in home modifications for clients with disabilities. Her business partner and husband, Aaron, is a landscape architect and accessibility consultant. Her experience ranges from home modification to ADA/504 consulting for hotels, museums, schools, colleges, public spaces, and multi-family housing projects. AOTSS sponsored the nation's first interdisciplinary conference on accessibility entitled "Under One Roof" in 1993, bringing together for the first time national experts in the healthcare and design/build professions.

Ms. Shamberg has over 30 years of experience in managing programs; working as a clinical therapist in pediatric school-based therapy, geriatric psych/physical disability rehab, nursing home, and homecare settings; and providing consulting services for elementary schools, educational institutions, businesses, community-service organizations, senior centers, and housing. She has degrees in both occupational therapy and special education with a specialization in assistive technology and environmental modifications. Ms. Shamberg is a Certified Brain Gym Consultant and Certified Irlen Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome Screener/ Diagnostician. She has presented over 150 international training seminars on universal design, accessibility of the environment, and other topics related to independent living and authored numerous articles and textbook chapters on these topics.

Ms. Shamberg is currently the AOTA representative to the American National Standards Institute's Accessible Design Standards Building Code Committee (ICC/ANSI A117.1), the Maryland representative to the AOTA IDEA Partnership Advisory Committee, a guest instructor in Towson University's Department of Occupational Therapy, and board member and legislative committee co-chairperson for the Maryland Occupational Therapy Association.

SCHEDULE

Day One

- 8:30 am Registration.
- 9:00 Legislative History of Accessibility and Building Design Guidelines
Practical Approaches to Independent Living; ADA Consulting Services.
- 10:30 Break.
- 10:45 Client Assessment Simulation
- 12:00 pm Lunch (on your own).
- 1:00 Functional and Environmental Assessments
Getting Comprehensive and Efficient Results; Long-Term Care vs. Independent Living.
- 3:00 Break.
- 3:15 Assessment Continued; Questions and Answers
- 5:30 Adjourn.

Day Two

- 8:30 am Registration.
- 9:00 Creating a Community-Based Consulting Business
Maximizing Independence of Clients at Home, School, Jobsite, and in the Community; Exploring Liability Issues and Marketing.
- 10:30 Break.
- 10:45 Universal Design
Environmental Barriers and Universal Design/Visitability; Case Studies; Architectural Products; Environmental Modifications; Accessible Gardening; Children's Environments; Designing for Dementia.
- 12:00 pm Working Lunch – Group Team Building
Bring lunch or plan on dining with your group.
- 1:00 Senior Housing and Aging in Place
Community Support Services; Medicaid Waiver Programs and Other Funding Resources.
- 3:30 Break.
- 3:45 Wrap-Up Session
Creating an Accessible Environment While Team Building with Healthcare and Design/Build Professionals.
- 5:30 Adjourn (receive continuing education certificate).

CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE)

This seminar is approved by Maryland State Boards: OT for 13 CE hours (1.3 CEUs); PT for 13 CE hours (1.3 CEUs).

AOTSS is an "AOTA Approved Provider of Continuing Education" (#5019), which is automatically accepted by more than 24 state licensing boards. AOTSS is also a member of the "NBCOT Preferred Provider Registry for Continuing Education." The number of approved hours may vary for PT and states not participating in the AOTA Approved Provider Program. AOTSS suggests checking specific qualifications with your state licensing board.

SEMINAR FEE

\$350 for early registration if paid more than 30 days prior to seminar date / \$400 otherwise.

Course fee includes AOTSS' Accessibility Consulting Manual valued at \$50.

COMBO DISCOUNT FOR 2-DAY SEMINAR AND INTERNET-BASED TRAINING

Combine an AOTSS sponsored 2-Day Accessibility Consulting Seminar with Internet Option #1 Mentoring (begin on the 1st or 15th of any month for your initial 60 day period) and earn up to 15 additional hours, 1.5 CEUs, plus the opportunity to earn additional hours at discounted rates or for free by extending your participation in the AOTSS Accessibility Consultants Network (ACN) to a yearly membership. COMBO registration with 2-Day Seminar: \$675 / \$625 early registration, if paid more than 30 days prior to the 2-day training date. Add AOTSS Accessibility Consultants Network (ACN) Yearly Membership for an additional 12 months of internet learning and free CE hours: \$100 per year.

GROUP DISCOUNTS

3 or more individuals registering at the same time for the same seminar = \$25 discount/person.

Special discounts for groups of 6 or more (send e-mail requesting details to info@aotss.com).

REFUND AND CANCELLATION POLICY

The seminar cost (minus a \$50 processing fee) will be refunded only if notification is received in writing by AOTSS at least three weeks prior to the seminar that will not be attended. Cancellations less than 3 weeks prior to the seminar date are non-refundable; however, with written notification to AOTSS at info@aotss.com by Day 2 of your seminar, the seminar cost can be applied toward another AOTSS-sponsored seminar with a \$50 re-registration fee. AOTSS reserves the right to cancel any seminar with due cause such as not meeting minimum registration numbers, illness of the instructor, or inclement weather conditions which prevent the instructor from reaching the seminar site. A full refund will be provided for such cancellations made by AOTSS. AOTSS is not responsible for weather and transportation difficulties or non-refundable travel costs. All seminar fees are non-refundable with the exception of the situations noted above. Any issues regarding this policy must be submitted in writing directly to AOTSS at info@aotss.com.

There are no refunds on Internet-based Training Fees once payment has been received for this option and materials have been delivered to you at the seminar or via mail.

ACCOMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Accessibility needs and other accommodation requests such as a sign language interpreter and large print or Braille material must be made in writing to AOTSS at info@aotss.com at least 30 days prior to the seminar date.

LODGING AND DIRECTIONS

Information on area lodging and seminar directions will be e-mailed or faxed upon registration.

SITE HOSTING OR SEMINAR SPONSORSHIP

Host this seminar at your location and receive free registrations, national advertising, free recognition on AOTSS' website, promotional materials, and/or \$\$\$. See "Site Host Agreement" information at www.aotss.com. Sponsor this seminar at your location and earn income and receive national advertising, free recognition on AOTSS' website, and promotional materials. See "Seminar Sponsor Agreement" information at www.aotss.com. Speakers are also available for specialized or customized trainings and organizational conferences based on your training time frame and content needs.

AOTSS SEMINARS

See our website at www.aotss.com for details and locations/dates.

- 2-Day Accessibility Consultation, Home Modifications, and Assistive Technology for Home, School, Work, and Play (13 CE hours)
- Internet/Home Study Personal Mentoring: Accessibility Consultation, Home Modifications, and Assistive Technology for Home, School, Work, and Play (11–15 CE hours plus unlimited CE hour options)
- 2-Day Brain Gym and Other Sensory Motor Strategies on a Shoestring Budget (14 CE hours)
- 3-Day Brain Gym 101 Certification Training (24 CE hours)
- 2-Day In-Synch: Brain Gym and the Senses (pre-requisite: Brain Gym 101)
- 2-Day Sensory Motor Activities on a Shoestring Budget for Learning, Function, and Play (13–14 CE hours)
- 1-Day Brain Health for Seniors and Health and Wellness Professionals (7 CE hours)
- 1-Day or 2-Day Irlen Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome and Color Overlays/Filters for Reading, Writing, and Stress-Related Problems in Academic, Work, and Home Environments
- 1-Day or 2-Day Kinesthetic Learning and Activities for Written Communication
- 2-Day Integrated Lesson Planning and Pre-Vocational Skills for Students with Special Needs

AOTSS can design a customized training for your organization. You can choose the content and time frame from one hour to three days. E-mail or call AOTSS for details.

PLEASE NOTE:

WHETHER REGISTERING BY MAIL OR ON-LINE, THIS PAGE MUST BE SENT TO AOTSS.

All participants of the AOTSS Accessibility Consulting Internet-based training / home study programs and/or the AOTSS Accessibility Consultants Network **must sign** the following statement prior to beginning their participation. This document should be faxed to AOTSS at (410) 358-6454 or mailed to AOTSS, Inc. 3309 W. Strathmore Ave. Baltimore, MD 21215-3718

AOTSS COPYRIGHT AND TRAINING AGREEMENTS

I, _____, will respect the copyright of written materials by AOTSS and Shoshana Shamberg. I will not copy, forward, or transfer the materials provided to me to anyone or onto any other document unless written permission is provided directly from Shoshana Shamberg to me directly for a specific purpose. I understand that there are no refunds on AOTSS Internet-based Training / Home Study Fees and Materials.

Signature _____

Date _____

**YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH ACCESSIBILITY CONSULTING,
HOME MODIFICATIONS, AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
(OPTIONAL)**

Please send us your **resume** and any other **information about your background, experiences, and interests in this specialty area**. Also, tell us below what you hope to gain from this program and mentoring relationship.

Please send us your pretest, sent to you in your package and by email, which assesses your level of knowledge today prior to the training (to document your baseline of knowledge in this specialty area).

For us to better address your individual learning needs, how would you rate yourself in this specialty area?

Basic Intermediate Advanced

REGISTRATION FORM

ACCESSIBILITY CONSULTING, HOME MODIFICATIONS, AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY 2-Day Seminar / Internet-based Training COMBO / ACN Yearly Membership

NAME: _____

PROFESSION: _____ HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

FAX: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Seminar Date: _____ Location: _____

If COMBO applicable, Start Date for Internet-based Training / Home Study:

1st or 15th of any month or note "NSD" for no start date at this time _____

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEE:

\$_____ 2-Day Seminar (includes AOTSS' Accessibility Consulting Manual valued at \$50)
(\$350 for early registration if paid more than 30 days prior to seminar date / \$400 otherwise)

\$_____ Deduct \$25 for group discount (3 or more individuals registering together)

Receive \$25 discount/person when 3 or more individuals register at the same time for the same seminar. Names of all group members must be included on this form:

COMBO DISCOUNT – 2-DAY SEMINAR AND INTERNET-BASED TRAINING/HOME STUDY:

\$_____ 2-Day Seminar plus Option #1A Internet-based Training (includes 60-day ACN membership)
(\$625 early registration if paid more than 30 days prior to seminar date / \$675 otherwise)

\$_____ 2-Day Seminar plus Option #1B Home Study
(\$675 early registration if paid more than 30 days prior to seminar date / \$725 otherwise)

\$_____ Deduct \$25 for group discount (see above information)

AOTSS ACCESSIBILITY CONSULTANTS NETWORK (ACN) YEARLY MEMBERSHIP:

With this option, you receive an additional 12 months of AOTSS ACN Membership, unlimited access to the "ACN members only" section of AOTSS' website, conference call lectures for earning free CE hours, ability to purchase mentoring/lesson hours for CE, and carryover of unused CE hours from initial 60 days if paid prior to your expiration date.

\$_____ AOTSS ACN Yearly Membership: \$100 if paid prior to your initial 60 day expiration date (includes FREE CE hours and carryover of any unused hours). \$175 to reinstate membership if expired (forfeits carry over of unused CE hours).

\$_____ **TOTAL COST**

Prices subject to change. Please check website for current pricing.
Checks or Money Orders accepted by mail. PayPal accepted via www.aotss.com.

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