

International Stuttering Association

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To: International Stuttering Community

From: Michael Sugarman, MSW Regarding: March 2012 eNewsflash

Message from the Chair

I hope you are saving your money to attend World Congress 2013 in The Netherlands. I guarantee a very worthwhile, memorable and informative conference by and for PWS. As always professional therapists (SLPs/SLTs) are very welcome. The April 2012 e newsflash ISA will begin advertising World Congress 2013 in The Netherlands. Please stay tuned.

I want to extend a thank you to Gerald A Maguire MD DFAPA and others who are proposing new guidelines to Diagnostic Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders 4. Take a moment and peruse the DSM 5 revisions at http://www.dsm5.org/ProposedRevisions/Pages/proposedrevision.aspx?rid=92

When the revisions of DSM4 become DSM5, approved treatments for Children who Stutter will need to be reviewed as well.

Take another moment and check out the National Conference report of the Indian Stammering Association at http://www.stammer.in/newsletter/480-nc-report.html

Discussion Topic

Whatever special abilities People who Stutter may have, difficulty in speaking still imposes a disability. Many PWS speak about appreciating stuttering as a "gift." May be unhelpful at best and patronizing at worst—What are your thoughts?

Stuttering is a gift or not? Write and tell us what you think and we will start a new page on the website.

Kindly,

Michael Sugarman, Chair

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