

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

- 1. Who may benefit from Auditory/Listening Training?**
Individuals with communication concerns, learning challenges, sensory issues such as auditory, tactile, visual, avoids eye contact, inability to focus, decreased attention span, picky eater; Aspergers, Autism Spectrum Disorders, central auditory processing behavior (CAPD), dyslexia, ADD, pervasive developmental disorder (PDD) and other sensory and learning concerns. Each child is unique, therefore specifics will be determined and discussed during the listening profile assessment.
- 2. What is the minimum age that someone can complete Auditory/Listening Training?** For AIT, 3 years old is the minimum age recommended by the BAITIS. For Tomatis, the youngest child that we know of that has received the Tomatis listening method is 23 months old.
- 3. Is there a maximum age for someone to benefit Auditory/Listening Training?** For AIT and Tomatis, the oldest participant at the Dan Center is a 72 year old professional.
- 4. Is AIT or Tomatis covered by insurance?** A component of the Listening Profile Assessment is covered by most insurance and fees not covered by insurer are the responsibility of participant or parent/guardian.
- 5. Do you have payment plans?** Yes. Please contact our office directly.
- 6. Do you offer an Out-Reach program?** Yes. Please contact our office directly for individual situations.
- 7. Are there any research supporting AIT?** Click on following link for a summary of research articles on AIT <http://www.autismwebsite.com/saitwebsite/aitsummary.html>
- 8. Are there any research supporting Tomatis?** Click on following link for a summary of research articles on Tomatis. www.Tomatis.com
- 9. How long is the AIT program?** There are twenty half hour sessions participated over period of ten to twelve days with two sessions in a day. The Dan Center AIT program comprise of 4 listening profile assessments when applicable. One before, one during, one after the ten day period and another one after three to six months.
- 10. How long is the Tomatis program?** There are 62 one hour sessions participated over a period of 31 days with two sessions a day. The 31 day program is divided into three segments. The first segment consists of approximately two weeks, the second segment takes 8 days, the third segment takes 7-8 days. A 3-4 week break is necessary in between segments.
- 11. How is it decided which Auditory/Listening program is to be used?** Components of the Listening Profile Assessments provides indicators for programs used. Each individual is unique and specifics will be discussed during the evaluation.
- 12. What is an Irlen Screening?** Irlen Screening is a Method used for over two decades to help identify individuals with Irlen Syndrome.
- 13. I have optical glasses which helps me see clearly, is that what it is?** No. Irlen Syndrome is not an optical problem. It is a problem with brain's ability to process visual information.

14. **How do I know I might have IRLLEN Syndrome?** The problem exhibits itself differently for each person affecting attention, concentration, the ability to focus on task at hand, behavior and academic performance.

15. **How do I know if my child has IRLLEN Syndrome?** Each child is different but may exhibit the following: slow reading skills, skips lines while reading, complains of headaches, eye strain and rubs eyes frequently while reading, squints while reading and during eye contact, difficulty with depth perception during activities of daily living, difficulty with staying focused, restlessness, difficulty with mathematical computation and spelling despite preparedness especially with bright and fluorescent lights.

16. **Is IRLLEN screening covered by insurance?** An Irlen Screening is covered under 504.

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