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The second half of 2017 was marked by the largest national event in Speech Therapy, the XXV Brazilian Congress of Speech Therapy, which took place between September 12 and 15 in the city of Salvador, Bahia, with the theme “Integrality in Training and care. “ Among the activities of the pre-congress are the meeting involving the representatives of the periodicals of the area and the professors of the postgraduate courses in Speech-Language Therapy and Audiology. In this activity, CEFAC - Speech, Language, Hearing Sciences and Education Journal - reaffirmed the commitment to contemplate publication in all areas of Speech Therapy, contributing to the dissemination of the products of the professors and postgraduate students.

With 10 original articles, two review articles and three case reports, Volume 19 (5) presents a regional diversity of articles from the Northeast, Southeast and South regions, distributed in the different publication areas of the journal, with six articles in the area of language, three in Orofacial Motricity, two in the area of Public Health and one article in the areas of Audiology, Oropharyngeal Dysphagia, Educational Speech Therapy, and Voice.

Otoacoustic emissions and exposure to the noise of a College Band drums is the theme of the Audiology article. The study of the viscosity of human milk and that of the formula is discussed in the area of Dysphagia. The learning of executive function skills in the point of view of parents and teachers is dealt with in the article in the field of Educational Speech-Language Therapy. The Voice area article considers dysarthria and quality of life in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

Two articles are presented in the area of Public Health, the first one being on factors associated with the lifestyle of Brazilian College students, while the second deals with factors associated with the use of pacifiers among children of women with daycare in their workplace.

The characteristics of the stomatognathic system are studied in the three articles of the Orofacial Motricity area, whether reporting temporomandibular dysfunction in Parkinson's disease, performing morphofunctional analysis in totally edentulous subjects or studying the quality of life after the orthognathic surgery.

In Language the articles bring themes on the role of phonological awareness in reading comprehension, the role of temporal auditory cues in the fluency of stuttering adults, the writing profile of the initial phase of reading acquisition in adults, as well as language changes and theory of multiple intelligences, semantic processing in children aged 0 to 6 years, and the association of drugs and alcohol in gestation with stuttering.

The diversity of scientific research presented in the last edition of the Brazilian Congress of Speech and Hearing Therapy and the plurality of themes in the areas of the articles published in the last volumes of our journal have demonstrated the growth of Speech Therapy as a science and also as a professional activity. Editorial II of the current volume shows a bit of concern about this growth. This is a summary of the aforementioned meeting of the professors of Postgraduate Programs and editors of the scientific journals of Speech Therapy in Brazil. Certainly, a guiding document in the pursuit of our scientific excellence, to be read and reread.

Enjoy your reading!

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