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Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC*) Awareness Month October 2010

Many Cultures, One Dream: Communication Without Barriers

Dates for your Diary--**UPDATE:**

New Date: July 1, 2010 – closing date for Writing Collection entries to share at ISAAC Barcelona. Entries by September 1 will be uploaded to website for October. **At least one story or video by a person who uses AAC from every country and state. Stories, submission and consent forms to: stories@aacawareness.org Send us the link to your movies online.**

July 24-29 ISAAC 14th -- Biennial International Conference, Barcelona
Come to Barcelona for the latest AAC and Literacy research, project reports, consumer presentations, AAC exhibition and social events, plus pre-conference inclusive music with the AAC Band!
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August 1, 2010 – closing date for International AAC Awareness Song Inclusive Singing Videos
Submit a movie of you using AAC to sing or sign with family or friends “If I Had a VOCA” or the “ABCs of Communication Rights” song. Clips from around the world will be merged to create a

harmony of the different methods of communication.

Lyrics and the programmed songs for download to communication devices are on the website!

October 2010 – All Month – Events
In October people read the stories, show the movies, sing the songs, try out AAC quizzes and games, and celebrate AAC at events around the world. We challenge every country and state to conduct and report on at least one AAC event.

October 20, 2010 – 24-Hour Read-a-Thon
Join our global chat on Skype, Facebook and Twitter for 24 hours of sharing AAC information, stories and movies.

Submission and Permission forms and More about these AAC Month events:
www.aacawareness.org
Inquiries to: info@aacawareness.org

ISAAC promotes the human rights of people who use AAC for full participation, equalization of opportunity and development.

*AAC: Augmentative & Alternative Communication – means other ways to speak and write for people with speech impairments or disabilities – like electronic talking aids, computers, boards and books with pictures, words and letters, Talking Mats, Communication Passports, eye-gaze, partner-assisted scanning, facilitated communication training, gesture and sign language.