



***R' Club Child Care Inc., Special Services
Child Care Outreach Program Presents:***

***“FUNctional Talks: Supporting Young Communicators in Preschool
Years”***

Saturday, August 29, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Presenters: Katherine Javier Widdicombe, M.S. CCC-SLP; Katherine Manrique, M.S. CCC-SLP

***Summary of Training: “FUNctional Talks: Supporting Young
Communicators in Preschool Years”***

This full-day workshop will present practical and engaging ideas that will help PreK educators recognize and nurture communication skills in their students. Through interactive activities, lively discussions, and case studies, participants will explore the connection between communication and behavior and gain a deeper understanding of how speech and language delays, sensory differences, and neurodivergence can impact the classroom experience.

We will dive into creative, classroom-ready strategies to foster communication development and offer tips for making referrals and addressing family concerns in a culturally sensitive way. Plus, we'll highlight ways to engage and empower families through supportive, collaborative approaches. By the end of the session, educators will leave with a toolkit of fun, practical strategies and fresh ideas that make supporting young communicators not only effective but enjoyable! You'll gain confidence and a wealth of resources to create an inclusive and engaging environment where every child can thrive.

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Training is free for licensed childcare providers.

This training will be held at 4140 49th St. North, St. Petersburg, FL 33709. To register, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/rclub-child-care-inc-special-services-77995230413>

If you need assistance, call or any person with disability requiring reasonable accommodations Teresa Bell (727) 547-4250. Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation email.