

Target Area: Communication, Language, Speech Disorders

<p>Hopper, Holland & Rewega (2002). <i>Conversational Coaching: Treatment Outcomes and Future Directions</i>. <i>Aphasiology</i> 16(7): 745-761</p>	<p>RoBiNT score - <i>to be confirmed</i></p>
<p>Method/Results</p> <p>Design:</p> <p>Y Study type: SSD. Multiple baseline across participants</p> <p>Y Participants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Couple 1: male, age 76 years, following CVA with Broca's aphasia (WAB=37.4), wife age 70 years. 2. Couple 2: male, age 41 years, following CVA with Broca's aphasia (WAB = 21.3), wife age 39 years. <p>Y Setting: Not stated.</p> <p>Target behaviour measure/s:</p> <p>Y Percentage of main concepts successfully communicated.</p> <p>Primary outcome measure/s:</p> <p>Y Communication Activities of Daily Living-2 (CADL-2) tool and social validation measure.</p> <p>Results</p> <p>Variability in improvement of % of main concepts successfully communicated for both couples but there was a general trend towards improvement. Couple 1 showed improvement in CADL-2 but couple 2 did not.</p>	<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>Aim: To improve intra-couple communication via conversational coaching.</p> <p>Materials: Videotaped stories.</p> <p>Treatment Plan:</p> <p>Y Duration: 1 instructional session + 10 treatment session.</p> <p>Y Procedure: Not specified.</p> <p>Y Content:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Baseline</i>: The partner with aphasia watched a video story and then had to discuss this with his partner - <i>Instructional session</i>: Couple and therapist watched a video-taped baseline session together. Therapist pointed out any facilitative strategies used by the couple and other strategies. Participants then selected their preferred strategies. - <i>Treatment sessions</i>: Partner with aphasia and therapist watched a video and then discussed this with their partner. The therapist intervened when communication broke down and coached the couple on using effective strategies.