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Over the last 15 years, Del Duca has worked all over the U.S. in hospital, outpatient, school-based, home-based, and private practice settings with thousands of children with various communication delays and social/emotional disorders. She has been certified in the



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