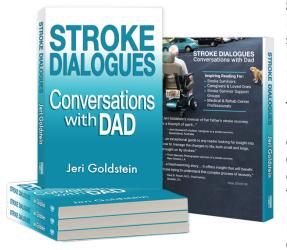
## **Book Description**

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**Dad** offers a shining example of how one dad's struggle with Aphasia after an Ischemic stroke, becomes a triumph of love, patience, persistence, and optimism.

The story is told using a series of conversations recounted by the author, from her dad's first days in the hospital throughout his recovery. The conversations are a testament to her dad's determination to make his point, get his thoughts out of his damaged brain and be understood. His progress with his speech gains momentum as the conversations become more complex. They represent a true progression of

speech function that so many Aphasia patients experience throughout their recovery. They are often humorous, many times frustrating, but always shared with kindness as her dad is urged to think, remember, and discover the answers he is seeking.

The dialogues are peppered with insights into patient advocacy, support strategies for helping her dad move forward to full recovery, and a sense of upbeat optimism for his ability to regain much of his former self.

**Stoke Dialogues Conversations with Dad** offers a pathway to humor in the face of a tragic situation. It urges caregivers and loved-one's to pay attention to each bit of conversation and commit to the recovery process with joy and a great deal of patience. Within every challenged attempt to get their meaning across, each stroke survivor struggling with Aphasia, has many stories to tell, many memories to recover, many pieces of their lives they are trying to regain.

You are invited to listen carefully to your loved one. By the examples offered here, you are encouraged to ask questions thoughtfully and spend the time necessary to arrive at the sought-after answers. Your loved ones' recovery experience depends on your engagement with them and your advocacy for them. **Stroke Dialogues Conversations with Dad** opens your heart and your mind to the possibilities for fully recovering the ability to communicate after Aphasia.

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