

PREFACE

This manual and the accompanying videotape have been developed to introduce you to Melodic Intonation Therapy (MIT) and to show you how to use MIT with a patient. The kit includes a 60-minute $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch videocassette tape, this instruction manual, and a set of 60 stimulus cards. The tape and manual have been constructed for use together. As you watch the videotaped presentation, you may find it helpful to follow along in the manual.

The first part of the program provides a brief history of MIT and a general description of the method. Next, characteristics of good and poor candidates for MIT are discussed. Information regarding materials, presentation of items, and scoring of responses is then provided. Following this introductory section, the method is described and demonstrated for all steps at each of three linguistic levels.

The demonstration section of the tape shows five stimulus items being presented for each of the three levels. The patient's performance is scored as it would be in a treatment session, that is, after each item is completed. You may want to practice scoring as the demonstration proceeds. Use the copies of the sample score forms in Appendix B to record your scores.

To supplement the taped presentation, the manual also includes case studies of four people who have received MIT. These case studies describe lesion characteristics and pre- and post-treatment language findings for two patients who improved with MIT and for two patients who did not improve with MIT.