

7th annual Chattanooga Autism Conference

Charting the Course

Friday, April 22, 2016
Chattanooga Convention Center
1150 Carter St, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Conference Agenda

EDUCATION: Room 14/15
PARENTS 1: Room 12
PARENTS 2: Room 13
ADULTS: Room 11
SPANISH LANGUAGE - Room 17

7:15 am - 8:15 am	---Check in at Registration Table to get badges and goody bags---				
	<u>Education</u>	<u>Parents - 1</u>	<u>Parents - 2</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Spanish</u>
	----General Track Categories - Attendees can go to any session in any track ----				
CEU Workshops 8:30 am - 9:30 am	Identification of Autism Spectrum Disorders: From Screening and Detection to Diagnosis Celine A. Saulnier, PhD	Special Needs Planning: Trusts, Conservatorships, & Other Legal Issues David L. McGuffey, CELP	Inpatient Services and Intensive Behavior Programs: Knowing your Options. Matt Sparling, MSED, Mary Ann Benett, RN, BSN, Sonya Rice, MBA, and Melissa Post	Intentional Relationships Scott Kramer, MSED & April Jagger, MEd	Recognizing The Function Of Behaviors And How To Respond Appropriately Ileana Blanco RBT, Behavior Specialist
9:30 am - 9:45 am	BREAK				
CEU Workshops 9:45 am - 10:45 am	The Strategic Classroom: Balancing Individual Needs and Academic Standards Stephanie Hathcock, BCBA	Taking an Autism Diagnosis to School Lisa Mattheiss	Developing Communication: PECS vs Sign Language Sara Gilbert, BCBA & Tamra Bell, CCC-SLP	Welcome to Asperger's, Now What? Daniel Durany, Public Speaker and Advocate	Compassion for Caregivers Samuel Fernandez-Carriba, PhD
10:45 am - 11:00 am	BREAK				
CEU Workshop 11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Profiles of Adaptive Behavior in ASD and Implications for Functional Independence Celine A. Saulnier, PhD	Improving Executive Functioning and Anxiety using Positive Behavior Support Steven Altabet, PhD	Navigating The Maze: Finding Supports For People With ASD Tonya Bowman, MS & Emma Shouse, BSW	Creating Jobs: Strategies for Parents & Advocates Dave Krikac - Founder of "Our Thrift Store"	Autism Support: Myths, Facts, & Resources for Spanish-speaking Families Alexander Santana, B.S.
12:00 am - 1:30 pm	Lunch - Keynote Presentation - Panel discussion by Adults on the Spectrum Facilitators Michelle Rigler, EdD and Amy Rutherford, MA				
CEU Workshops 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Visual Supports Are My Super Power! Meridith Pettigrew, MEd	Crossing an ocean: A Teen's Journey through Diagnosis and Therapy Andrea Kirkman, CCC-SLP & Dell Zimmerman, HS student	Recognizing The Function Of Behaviors And How To Respond Appropriately Anne-Marie Kille, RBT	Treating Depression and Anxiety in Adults with ASD Karen Weigle, PhD & Alyce Benson, LCSW	What is STEP and Rights on Special Education Patricia Valladares and Dorca Rose
2:30 pm - 2:40 pm	BREAK				
CEU Workshops 2:40 pm - 3:40 pm	Sociocultural Competence Educating Children with ASD Samuel Fernandez-Carriba, PhD	Biomedical Music Techniques For Motor, Speech, & Cognition Challenges Dr. Martha Summa-Chadwick, DMA	When Autism Has an Emergency Jared Pelham, Hamilton County 911	Housing: Preparing Successfully for Interdependent Living Carolyn Naifeh	Panel Discussion: Parents' Perspectives & Experiences Raising Children with Autism Pochy & Carolina Montes, Linda Keller, Joseph Newton, & Orfelina Rojas

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