

14th Annual Chattanooga Autism Conference

Friday, September 6, 2024
Chattanooga Convention Center
1150 Carter St, Chattanooga, TN 37402

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Early Child - Room 14/15
K-12 Educator - Room 12
Parents 1 - Room 9/10
Parents 2 - Room 16/17
Autistic Adults - Room 11

CONFERENCE AGENDA					
---- Attendees can go to any session in any track ----					
	Early Childhood	K-12 Educators	Parents - 1	Parents - 2	Autistic Adult
7:45 - 8:30 Check-in					
Workshops 8:30 - 9:30	Autism 101 Jaime Butler, MS, M.Ed. & Monique Butler, B.A.	Atypical Students Thriving in A Typical Classroom Angela Bouch, M.Ed, Dwayne Galyon, BS.Ed, Rachel Hill, BA.Ed, Jean Pahl, MA.Ed	Play With Me! Promoting Meaningful Interactions and Development While Having Fun Anya Tuzova, MA	Tools & Teammates Together for FUN! Claire Stockman, Ed.S	Autistic Empowerment in the Workplace Casey Davis, MLIS & Amy Correia, M.Ed.
9:30 - 9:45	Break & Visit Exhibitors				
Workshops 9:45 - 10:45	Creating an Inclusive Environment: Sensory Exploration Jenni Edge IMH-E® & Sarah Moore IMH-E®	Understanding & Managing "Problem" Behavior in School Kaitlin Wilder M.Ed, LBA, BCBA	Become a Great Language Partner to Your Gestalt Language Processor Nicole Casey, MS, CCC-SLP	Financial Support Panel: Medicaid Waivers, Katie Beckett, Family Support, & More! Deana Bohannon & Ashlie Bell-Seibers, MSW	The Other Side of Neurodivergence: ADHD and VAST Martin Altman, MS, LPC
10:45 - 11:00	Break & Visit Exhibitors				
Workshops 11:00-12:00	Understanding Communication and Behavior in Young Autistic Children Lisa Wallace, MS, CCC-SLP	The Art of Silencing Bullies: Proven Tactics for Keeping the Meanies at Bay Melanie McAfee, MSN, RN	Tailored Education Solutions: A Guide for Parents Exploring Public School Alternatives Sarena Cambrea M.Ed, BCBA, LBA, Rachel Good, & Bill Powell	Why Sexuality Education is Important Tina A. Vance, MPH; Mandy Cowley	Higher Education Options for All Abilities: Panel Discussion Panelists: Kristi Strode, PhD, La-Juan Bradford, EdD, Michelle Rigler, EdD, Darien Todd, & Sheryl Arno
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch - Network - Visit Exhibitors - Awards - Silent auction ends at 1:20 Advance viewing of special documentary in room 14/15				
Workshops 1:30 - 2:30	Visual Supports for Autistic Children Shelby Adcock, MS, BCBA, LBA & Courtney House, RBT	Writing Legally Compliant and Neurodiversity Affirming IEP Goals Mercedes Lawson, MS.Ed	Mental Health, Trauma, and Treatment Options for Autistic Children Cory Cannady, DBH-C, BCBA, LBA	Enhance Joy and Reduce Stress in Parenting with Acceptance & Commitment Therapy Dr. Laura Forkum, BCBA-D, LBA	Masking in Autistic Adults: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly Christopher J. Quarto, PhD, PLLC
2:30 - 2:45	Break & Visit Exhibitors				
Workshops 2:45 - 3:45	Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Basics Sabina LaClair SLP/ATP	Helping Children Thrive Amy Bodkin, Ed.S	Regulation Beats™ - Creating Emotion Regulation Tools Through Music Production Noah Perales, COTA/L	Parenting as an Autistic Mother to an Autistic Child LeeAnn Finnegan, M.Ed	Mirror Mirror On the Wall: Adult Late in Life Diagnosed on Autism Spectrum peace made brod

*Note: Presentation times are subject to change. See www.chattanoogaautismcenter.org/conference for more information

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