



TEAM UP

Building Partnerships for Children with Autism in Arkansas

April 16-17, 2010

Arkansas Children's Hospital | Chairman's Hall
Little Rock, AR

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This two day conference will provide information on the common issues that impact the daily functioning of a child with autism as well as practical solutions for these issues. It will also highlight common medical issues of children with autism spectrum disorders. Through this conference, we hope to bring together clinicians, educators and parents who provide care for children with autism in Arkansas and provide a forum for dialogue about issues that affect the well-being of these children.

Jointly sponsored by:

Section of Developmental-Behavioral and Rehabilitative Pediatrics; Arkansas Children's Hospital; UAMS College of Medicine; Rockefeller Endowed Chair Fund; Autism Treatment Network; Leadership Education in Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics; Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities; Partners for Inclusive Communities; Arkansas Children's Hospital Nursing Education Department and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through HRSA Cooperative Agreement UA3 MC 11054.



At the conclusion of the program, participants should be able to:

- Discuss the process of screening for autism, including risk factors and screening tools, as well as understand indications that determine the need to refer patients for autism evaluations.
- Identify associated medical conditions with autism and recommended treatments, such as Gastrointestinal dysfunction, Genetics Evaluation, Sleep Disturbances, Nutrition Issues, Psychopharmacology and Assistive Technology Options
- Recognize importance of current autism research initiatives in Arkansas
- Identify strategies used by Arkansas public schools to educate children with autism
- Discuss how a behavior management plan can impact the quality of life for the child with autism, their families, teachers, and caregivers.
- Advocate for intensive developmental therapy for children with autism and training for parents and caregivers to become co-therapists.

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Arkansas Children's Hospital is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by Arkansas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Request for contact hours for nurses has been made.

CEU hours will be awarded for educators.

Certificates of attendance will also be offered for other healthcare professionals.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

Friday, April 16, 2010

Chairman's Hall

12:00 noon Registration
12:45 Welcome/Remarks

Concurrent Sessions (1:00 – 3:00 p.m.)

SESSION A

1:00 – 2:00 Developing Play Skills in Preschool Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders
 – *Jayne Bellando, Ph.D.*
2:00 – 3:00 Current and Future Directions: Autism in Arkansas Schools –
 Maureen Bradshaw, M.Ed. / Marcia Harding

SESSION B

1:00 – 2:00 Nutrition Issues in Children with Autism – *Connie Davila, RD*
2:00 – 3:00 Assistive Technology Options for Individuals with Autism – *John Halloran, MS,*
 CCC-SLP

3:00 – 3:15 BREAK

Concurrent Sessions (3:15 – 4:15 p.m.)

SESSION A

3:15 – 4:15 IEPs: What Every Educator and Parent Should Know – *Maureen Bradshaw, M.Ed. /*
 Marcia Harding

SESSION B

3:15 – 4:15 Navigating Services in Arkansas – *Karan Burnette, M.A., CCC-SLP*
4:15 – 5:15 Behavioral Interventions in Autism – *Rachel Bowman, Ph.D. / Jason Lagory, Ph.D.*
5:30 Special Interest Group Session: Legislative Update – *Dianna Varady / Shelly*
 Hendrix

Saturday, April 17, 2010

Chairman's Hall

7:15 a.m. Registration
7:45 – 8:00 Overview
8:00 – 9:00 Genetics Evaluation of a Child with ASD – *G. Bradley Schaefer, M.D.*
9:00 – 10:00 Gastrointestinal Dysfunction in Autism – *George Fuchs, M.D.*

10:00 – 10:15 BREAK

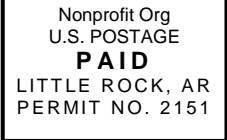
10:15 – 11:15 Psychopharmacology in Autism – *May Griebel, M.D.*
11:15 – 12:15 p.m. **Keynote Address:** Research Findings from the Autism Treatment Network –
 Daniel L. Coury, M.D.

12:15 – 1:30 Lunch Will Be Provided

1:30 – 2:30 Autism Surveillance, Screening and Evaluation – *Eldon Schulz, M.D. /*
 Katherine Burns, M.D.
2:30 – 3:30 Autism Research in Arkansas – *Jill James, Ph.D.*
3:30 – 4:30 Sleep Issues and Seizures in Children with ASD – *Sheila Asghar, M.D.*
4:30 – 4:45 Closing Remarks



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