



First Applied Autism Research and Intervention Conference a Success

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OAR Conference Schedule

First Annual Applied Autism Research and Intervention Conference

For Information and Registration email nfidler@autismorg.com

“Education and Intervention Across the Life Span”

Friday, October 24, 2003

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Welcoming Remarks and Introduction of Keynote Speaker - James M. Sack, President

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Keynote Address: “The State of the Science in Autism Research”, Ann Wagner, National Institute of Health

Scientific Council Presentations

Each attendee will receive a conference book that will have copies of each speaker’s paper or presentation slides. There will be a period for questions at the end of each presentation. Questions will come from the Scientific Council and the audience.

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Effective Evaluations and Recommendations for Educational Advocacy
James A. Mulick, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Ohio State University

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Strategies for Promoting Speech and Language in Children with Autism
and Related Disorders - Joanne Gersner, MA, CCC-SLP, Executive Director, Eden II Programs,
Staten Island, NY

10:30 a.m. - Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Problem Behaviors and Positive Behavior Supports Edward G. Carr,
Ph.D. Leading Professor of Psychology, State University of New York at Stony Brook

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Ethical Considerations in Autism Treatment and Research Robert Sprague, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Community Health, Kinesiology, University of Illinois - Champaign

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Fluency-based Teaching for Children with Autism Michael Fabrizio, MA, BCBA, Partner, Fabrizio & Moors Consulting, Seattle, WA

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Emergency Room Considerations - Michael Londner, M.D., M.P.H. Director of Medical Student Education, Johns Hopkins University (Invited)

2:30 p.m. - Break

2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Asperger and High Functioning Autism: Socialization Brenda Myles, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Special Education, University of Kansas

3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Transition to Employment - Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D. Executive Director, Nassau Suffolk Services for Autism/The Martin C. Barell School, Levittown, NY

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Full Scientific Council Panel Q&A/Conference Summation, Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D.

Saturday, October 25, 2003

Workshops

To take advantage of the available expertise of OAR's Scientific Council and some of OAR's participants in the RUN FOR AUTISM, OAR in partnership with the Autism Society – Northern Virginia Chapter will host a combination of six presentations/workshops.

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Essential Components of an ABA Program Suzanne Letso, MA, BCBA, Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Connecticut Center for Child Development

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. Healthy Lifestyles for Persons with Autism Linda Meyer, Ed.D., Executive Director, Alpine Learning Group, Paramus, NJ

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. Developing Speech and Language in Educational Environments Joanne Gerenser, MA, CCC-SLP, Executive Director, Eden II Programs, Staten Island, NY

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Transition to Employment - Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D. Executive Director, Nassau Suffolk Services for Autism/The Martin C. Barell School, Levittown, NY

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Social Inclusion of Children with Autism in the General Education Classroom - Patricia Rao, Ph.D, Senior Research Associate, Child and Family Health Services, Danya International, Inc.

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Educators' Panel: Directors of Four Schools for Persons with Autism and Related Developmental Disabilities Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D, NSSA/The Martin C. Barell School; Joanne Gerenser, MA-CCC-SLP, Eden II Programs; Linda S. Meyer, Ed.D., Alpine Learning Group; and Suzanne Letso, MA, BCBA, Connecticut Center for Child Development