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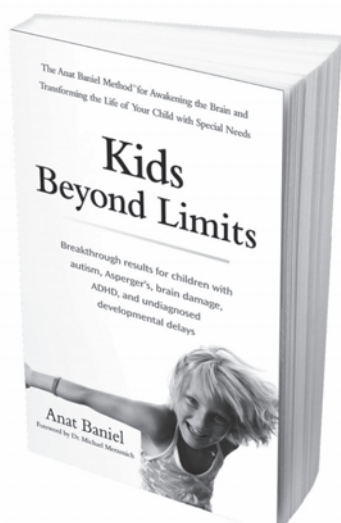
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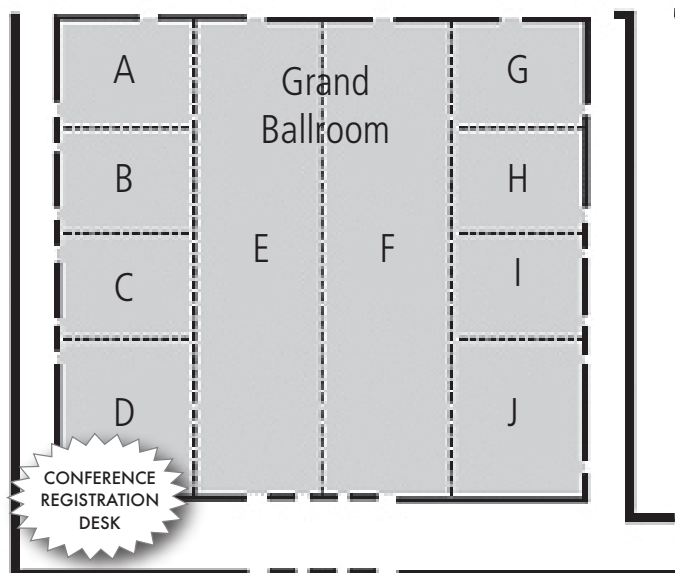


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Friday, 5/25	6:30 am - 4:00 pm
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Conference Schedule

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Wednesday 5/23

8:00 am - 9:00 am	Grand E	Healing the Earth, Healing Ourselves: How the Green Movement Can Help Your Family Achieve Wellness Alicia Ontivero
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand G-J	The Perfect Storm Tony Ebel, DC
8:30 am - 5:30 pm	Junior AB	Culinary Day Sueson Vess, MPH, ACE-CPT; Sherrin Ross Ingram, Esq.; Jasmine Jafferai; Deepa Deshmukh, MPH, RD, LDN; Bill Schleffer
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand E	Cleansing Your Home with Green Building and Interior Design Lisa Elkins
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Grand E	Organic Gardening – Get Growing This Season! Alicia Ontiveros
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Grand G-J	Posture and Motor Matter in the Autism Spectrum Charles W. Chapple, DC, FICPA
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Grand G-J	What Does My Child Need...Don't Guess, Test!: Where to Start and Where to Go Patrick Flynn, NMD, ND, DC

Thursday 5/24

8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand CD	The Dawn of a New Decade (Down Syndrome Track) Jane Winans, MA; Lydia Winans, Third Grade
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Lilacs	A Pathophysiological Approach to Brain Issues in Autism (CME program registrants) Martha Herbert, PhD, MD
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Grand F	ADI-R and ADOS in Clinical Practice, Research and Treatment Evaluation Carol Stott, BSc, MSc, PhD
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Grand E	Applied Behavior Analysis for Individuals with Autism and Developmental Disabilities Mary Jo Lang, PhD, ABPN, BCBA-D
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Grand G-J	FEATURED SPEAKER: Fermentation Basics Sandor Ellix Katz
9:00 am - 9:15 am	Grand AB	Introduction to Law Day Mary Holland, Esq.
9:00 am - 9:55 am	Lilacs	Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain and Immune System. Part I: General Principles (CME program registrants) Richard C. Deth, PhD
9:00 am - 3:30 pm	Junior AB	Autism, Law Enforcement & First Response Training: Autism Awareness and Roll Call Briefing Trainer Dennis Debbaudi; Stephen M. Shore, EdD
9:00 am - 9:55 am	Grand CD	Why Talk about Down Syndrome (DS) at an Autism Conference? Laurette Janak

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9:00 am - 10:00 am	Cypress	Know Your Special Ed Rights: IDEA Overview & Preparing for Advocacy Timothy Adams, Esq.; Lynne Arnold
9:15 am - 10:30 am	Grand AB	Know Your Parental Rights with DSM-5 ASD Changes Jodi Bouer, Esq.; Mitchel Perlman; PhD, Steven Kossor; MA; Katie Weisman
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Cypress	Know Your Special Ed Rights: Evaluations Timothy Adams, Esq.; Lynne Arnold
10:00 am - 10:55 am	Grand CD	Biomedical Basic: Where to Begin (Down Syndrome Track) Norm Schwartz, MD
10:00 am - 10:55 am	Lilacs	Environmentally Influenced Immune-Behavior-Cognitive Dysfunction (CME program registrants) Jeff Bradstreet, MD
10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Cypress	Know Your Special Ed Rights: Understanding School District and Independent Evaluations Mitchel Perlman, PhD
10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Grand AB	CPS at Your Door – and What If You Can't Be There For Your Children Lisa Colin, Esq.; Kim Mack Rosenberg, Esq.
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Lilacs	Autistic Enterocolitis: Fact or Fiction (CME program registrants) Arthur Krigsman, MD
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Grand CD	Down Syndrome Trisomy 21: Understanding the Problem Richard C. Deth, PhD
1:00 pm - 1:55 pm	Grand E	A Green Body Approach for ASD: Change the Body Naturally with Sound Therapy Dorinne Davis, MA
1:00 pm - 1:55 pm	Grand F	More Vitamin D, No Vaccines, Virtually No Autism Mayer Eisenstein, MD, JD, MPH
1:00 pm - 1:55 pm	Lilacs	Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain and Immune System: Part II: Autism-specific Aspects (CME program registrants) Richard C. Deth, PhD
1:00 pm - 1:55 pm	Grand CD	What's Next? Exploring Options (Down Syndrome Track) Anju Usman, MD
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Grand AB	Know Your Vaccine Exemption Rights Alan Phillips, Esq.
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Cypress	Know Your Special Ed Rights: IEP Strategy Timothy Adams, Esq.; Lynne Arnold
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Grand G-J	FEATURED SPEAKER: Fermentation Basics Sandor Ellix Katz
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Grand F	Self-Injurious Behaviors in Autism: Causes and Management Options Lorène Amet, PhD
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Grand AB	Understanding the Medicaid's EPSDT Mandate Steven Kossor, MA
2:00 pm - 2:55 pm	Grand E	How to Set Limits Without Losing Your Mind: Behavior Strategies That Make Life Easier Nicole Beurkens, PhD
2:00 pm - 2:55 pm	Grand CD	Important Nutritional, Oral Motor, Feeding and Language Ideas to Ensure Optimal Development of Your Child with Down Syndrome Jill Rabin, MS, CCC-SLP

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2:00 pm - 2:55 pm	Lilacs	Neurological Abnormalities in Autism (CME program registrants) Richard Frye, MD, PhD
2:30 pm - 2:55 pm	Grand F	Lyme Disease in Autism: Diagnosis and Treatment Options Lorène Amet, PhD
2:45 pm - 3:30 pm	Grand AB	Know Your Life Planning Rights for an ASD Family Member Michael Sanders, MBA; Lisa Rudley, MBA
3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Grand CD	Sequential Processing and Alternative Treatment Methods (Down Syndrome Track) Alison Wimmer
3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Grand F	Roundtable—How to Use Local Media to Influence Public Opinion & Shape the Debate on Autism Rebecca Estep
3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Lilacs	Making a Plan: Applying Biomedical Interventions in the Clinical Setting (CME program registrants) Kyle Van Dyke, MD
3:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand E	Increasing Independence and Accessibility with the iPad Amy Motsinger
3:15 pm - 4:30 pm	Cypress	Advanced Special Education Topics Timothy Adams, Esq.; Mara LaViola
3:45 pm - 5:15 pm	Grand AB	Anatomy of an Autism Claim 101 Jodi Bouer, Esq.; Yvonne McNamee
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Lilacs	Taking Therapies to the Next Level (CME program registrants) Jeff Bradstreet, MD
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Grand CD	The Future: Choose Your Own Adventure (Down Syndrome Track) Cheryl Green, Esq.; Andi Durkin.
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Grand F	The Thyroid Autism Connection Raphael Kellman, MD
4:30 pm - 5:15 pm	Cypress	Q&A on Special Education Rights Timothy Adams, Esq.; Lynne Arnold; Mitchel Perlman, PhD
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Lilacs	CME Program Q&A Panel Discussion (CME program registrants) Jeff Bradstreet, MD; Richard C. Deth, PhD; Arthur Krigsman, MD; Kyle Van Dyke, MD
5:15 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand AB	Know Your First Amendment Rights: The Wakefield Inquisition Dan Olmsted
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Grand G-J	The Autonomic Nervous System, Hormones, and Stress Anju Usman, MD
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Grand F	Understanding the Medicaid's EPSDT Mandate Steven Kossor, MA
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Grand E	Assessing and Teaching Functional Living Skills to Individuals of All Ages with a Diagnosis of ASD Using The AFLS. James Partington, PhD, BCBA-D
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Grand G-J	Understanding Why Biomedical and Behavioral Therapies Should be Implemented Together as a Treatment Approach for Autism Lauren Underwood, PhD

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Friday 5/25		
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8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand E	Overview of the Recent Research on Susceptibility, Toxicity, Brain Inflammation, Brain Connectivity, and Regression and Immunizations in ASD Janet K. Kern, PhD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Junior AB	Natural Approaches to the Dysregulated Nervous System: Healing Sleep, Stress and Seizures. Maya Shetreat-Klein, MD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand CD	Bullying and Autism: Practical Resources for Families Leslie Phillips
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand G-J	Exciting New Developments and Discoveries to Help Autism Jeff Bradstreet, MD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand AB	The First Dads of Autism: Life Lessons and Early Patterns from the Leo Kanner's First 11 Fathers Mark Blaxill, MBA
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Grand F	Hump Back Healing: Nutritional and Medical Benefits of Camel's Milk Barry Smeltzer, MPAS, PA-C
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand AB	Raising a Child on the Spectrum: Transformation of a Single Dad Ken Siri, MBA
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Junior AB	Autism and Medical Cannabis Nathan Coombs, MEd; Rhonda Morris
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand CD	Wandering: Keeping Our Loved Ones Safe Wendy Fournier
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand E	Shining the Light on Sequential Homeopathy: Essential Tools for Recovery and True Healing Cindy Griffin, DSH-P, DIHom, FBIH, BCIH, DCNT; Lindyl Lanham, DSH-P, BCIH, DCNT
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand G-J	Mechanistic Theories of the Gut-Brain Axis in the Setting of Autism and Intestinal Inflammation Arthur Krigsman, MD
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Lilacs	Politics and Economics of Healing Robert Scott Bell
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Lilacs	FOIA Exposes CDC Lied Claiming Mercury in Vaccines is Safe Brian S. Hooker, PhD, PE; Tim Bolen; Robert Reeves, Esq.
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand AB	The Power of Exercise: Effective Programming for Individuals with Autism David Geslak, CSCS
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand E-J	FEATURED SPEAKER: Mesenchymal Stem Cell Treatment for ASDs: The Therapeutic Rational and its Future Potential Benjamin Gesundheit, MD, PhD (Via webcast)
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand CD	Food With Benefits Sueson Vess, MPH, ACE-CPT
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Junior AB	Can the Peptide Neurotensin Connect the Dots and Serve as Novel Target for Autism Therapy? Theoharis C. Theoharides, PhD, MD, FAAAAI
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Grand E-J	KEYNOTE: The Microbial Track Luc Montagnier, MD
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1:30 pm - 2:25 pm	Grand AB	Dads Are Warriors Too Wade Rankin
1:30 pm - 2:25 pm	Grand F-J	Why Are So Many Children Sick? Mark Blaxill, MBA; Ginger Taylor, MS; Jennifer Larson
1:30 pm - 2:25 pm	Grand E	A Hidden Cause for the Symptoms of ASD and How To Treat It Nancy Mullan, MD
1:30 pm - 2:25 pm	Lilacs	The Power of Music: Nature's Gift of Speech to Autism Harry Schneider, MD
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Grand E	Prenatal and Postnatal Epigenetic Programming (PreP and PEP): Implications for GI, Immune and Neuronal Function in Autism Richard C. Deth, PhD
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2:30 am - 3:30 pm	Junior AB	Seizures in Autism Richard Frye, MD, PhD
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4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand CD	Shouldn't School be Safe? Preventing and Eliminating the Use of Aversives, Restraint, and Seclusion Pat Amos, MA
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand E	Age of Autism The Year in Review Mark Blaxill, MBA; Dan Olmsted; Kim Stagliano
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4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Junior AB	Osteopathy and Seizures Shawn Centers, DO, FACOP
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand AB	Dad's Panel Mark Blaxill, MBA; Thomas Clark Esq.; Ken Siri; David Geslak (moderator); Wade Rankin
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5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Junior AB	Autism & Epilepsy: Co-morbidities or Co-pathophysiology Jeffrey Buchhalter, MD, PhD
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand F	Prospects for Justice for Children Injured by Vaccines: The Experience of the Omnibus Autism Proceeding Robert J. Krakow, Esq.; John McHugh, Esq.

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5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand E	Pediatric Dentistry, Orthodontics and Autism Pamela Johnson, DDS, MS, PC; Patricia Gannon, DDS, MS
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand CD	NAA Safety Track Discussion and Q&A Lori McIlwain
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Grand E	Houston Homeopathy Method Parent Roundtable Cindy L. Griffin, DSH-P, DIHom, FBIH, BCIH, DCNT; Lindyl Lanham, DSH-P, BCIH, DCNT; Julianne Adams, DSH-P, BCIH, NST-CP; Jenice L. Stebel, DSH-P, DIHom, BCIH; Lynn Rose Demartini, DSH-P, RN, HN-BC, LMT, BCIH, DCN
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Grand G-J	Interactive Q&A with Leading Physicians and Parents Dan Rossignol, MD, FAAFP; Richard Frye, MD, PhD; David Dornfeld, DO; Kyle Van Dyke, MD; James Neubrandner, MD Saturday 5/26
8:00 am - 8:40 am	Cypress	Building Sustainable Futures for Adults with ASD Cheryl Kilmer, MA; William Mara
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand CD	Special ASD Diets & Nutrition: Healing the Gut – Healing the Brain Geri Brewster, RD, MPH, CDN
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Lilacs	Autism Intel: Breakthrough Strategies from a Man Who Used to Be Autistic Raun K. Kaufman; Kim Korpady
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand FJ	Mainstreaming Biomed: Why and How Martha Herbert, PhD, MD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand AB	Holistic Approach to Autism with Allergy and Sensitivities Harry Hong, PhD, LAc.
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1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Junior AB	PANS : The Disease Formerly Known as PANDAS – a Major and Treatable Cause of Sudden Functional Regression in the Autistic Spectrum Child Rosario R. Trifiletti, MD, PhD; Tami Giles
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Grand F-J	FEATURED SPEAKER: GI Microbiota and Regressive Autism Thomas Borody, MD, PhD, FRACP, FACP, FACG, AGAF
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3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Grand AB	Waiting For Wyatt: A Journey Through Autism to Empowerment Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson
3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Grand F-J	Cerebral Folate Auto-antibodies in Autism: Testing and Treatment Dan Rossignol, MD, FAAFP
3:00 pm - 3:55 pm	Grand CD	The Ides of October: How My Grandson Saved My Life Deb Catron, MEd
4:00 pm - 4:40 pm	Cypress	A Sustainable Model for Adult Residential Services William Mara
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand E	Gastrointestinal Symptoms in ASD Children: The Chicken, or the Egg? Steve Walker, PhD
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand CD	The Changing Face of Pediatrics: Epidemics of Chronic Disease Janet Levatin, MD
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand AB	Building Mainstream Relationships for Unique Children Karen Kain
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Grand F-J	Are Stem Cells the Future of Autism Biomedical Therapies? Jeff Bradstreet, MD
4:00 pm - 4:55 pm	Junior AB	Determining Environmental Toxins and Biomarkers Significant and Predictive of Immune Disregulation in the Autism Spectrum Skip Kingston, PhD
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Lilacs	QEEG-Guided Neurofeedback: New Brain Based Subtype Assessment and Successful Individualized Treatment for Autism Michael Linden, PhD, BCN; James Neubrander, MD; Cynthia Kerson, PhD, QEEGT

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5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand AB	Highlights from My Son's Successful Journey to Recovery, by a Mother and a Homeopath Andrea Lalama, Hom.
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Junior AB	AutismWHYandHOW: A Web Resource for Informed Reflective Discourse and Higher Synthesis of Autism's Complexity Martha Herbert, PhD, MD
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grand FJ	FEATURED SPEAKER: The End Game Andrew Wakefield, MB, BS, FRCS, FRCPath
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Cypress	Adult/Adolescent Think Tank Discussion Dan Burns, PhD; Cheryl Kilmer, MA; William Mara; Cathy Purple Cherry, AIA, LEED AP; Jeremy Sicile-Kira; Chantal Sicile-Kira; Virginia Breen; Elizabeth Bonker; Stephen Shore, EdD; Jackie M. Marquette, PhD
Sunday 5/27		
8:00 am - 8:40 am	Cypress	Reclaiming Your Child's Job Rights: "Job Ready" is Not What You Think Dan E. Burns, PhD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand AB	Mushrooms on the Menu: Nutritional, Medicinal, and Behavioral Effects Relative to ASD Sandra D. Williams, PhD
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand CD	Using Video Modeling as a Cost-Effective Way to Teach Play (and Language and Social Skills) to Children with Autism Sarah Clifford Schefflen, MS, CCC-SLP
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand E	Cooking to Boost Developmental Skills Gabrielle Kaplan-Mayer
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Junior AB	Inspirational Homeopathy – a Heart Centered Approach to Healing the Deepest Levels of ASD Angelica Lemke, ND, CCH; Pierre Fontaine, RSHom, CCH
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Lilacs	Sensory Integration Solutions Kristin Selby Gonzalez
8:00 am - 8:55 am	Grand FJ	Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment for Neurological Conditions Dan Rossignol, MD, FAAFP
9:00 am - 9:40 am	Cypress	When You Have Finally Found Your Voice, What Do You Most Want to Say? Virginia Breen; Elizabeth Bonker
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand E	38 Children Recovered in 20 months: Autism Treatment with MMS Kerri Rivera
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Junior AB	When Biomed Parents Meet Mainstream Physicians Sonja Hintz, RN; Linda Betzold
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand FJ	FEATURED SPEAKER: EEG-guided rTMS in Autism Spectrum Disorder – An Open Label Study Yi Jin, MD
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand AB	Surviving Biomedical Therapies without Breaking the Bank Greg Brown, MD
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Grand CD	Understanding Behavior Management Mary Jo Lang, PhD, ABPN, BCBA-D
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Lilacs	Auditory Hypersensitivity and Autism Spectrum Disorders: A Treatable Condition Alex Doman
10:30 am - 11:10 am	Cypress	Employment Opportunities for People with Autism: Observations on Promoting Success Stephen M. Shore, EdD

Time	Room	Presentation
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Junior AB	From Preconception to Infancy: Environmental and Nutritional Strategies for Lowering the Risk of Autism David Berger, MD, FAAP
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Lilacs	Modifying Behavior through Visual Supports Amy Motsinger
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Oak	ARCH Medical Center Parent Q&A Greg Brown, MD
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand CD	Digestive Challenges & Solutions Associated With Autism Spectrum Disorders Tom Bohager
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand E	Fermentation: Fast Steps to Friendly Fecal Flora Betsy Hicks
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand AB	Do Genetically Engineered Foods Promote Autism? Jeffrey M. Smith
10:30 am - 11:25 am	Grand FJ	Is There an Intervention That Combines Antioxidant, Anti-Inflammatory, Metal Chelating, Mitochondrial-protective, and Neuroprotective Effects? Theoharis C. Theoharides, PhD, MD, FAAAAI
11:30 am - 12:25 pm	Grand CD	Ear Health Conditions: Unrecognized Barriers to Development and Learning Sally Brockett, MS
11:30 am - 12:25 pm	Junior AB	Introduction to the Medical Academy of Pediatric Special Needs (MAPS) Dan Rossignol, MD, FAAP
11:30 am - 12:25 pm	Grand FJ	Living Energy: Essential Oils and Autism Shawn Centers, DO, FACOP
11:30 am - 12:25 pm	Cypress	Life Care Planning and Case Management for Individuals with Autism and Related Disabilities Mary Jo Lang, PhD, ABPN, BCBA-D
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Grand E	Practical Magic: The Benefits and Realities of Camel Milk Therapy for ASD Christina Adams, MFA
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lilacs	Evaluation, Workup, and Treatment – A Comprehensive Review of the Biomedical Approach to Autism Michael Montico, MD
11:30 am - 2:30 pm	Grand AB	Student Scholars: Autism–A Sibling’s Perspective Zack Gonzalez
12:30 pm - 1:10 pm	Cypress	Kentucky’s ASD Employment Pilot Project Jackie M. Marquette, PhD
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Grand CD	Connect, Care, Collaborate through Relationship Development Intervention (RDI) Kathy Darrow
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Grand FJ	If We’d Know Then, What We Know Now: A Fresh Approach to Treating Root Causes of Autism Albert Mensah, MD; Judith Bowman, MD, FAAP
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lilacs	Global Alert: Environment and Increasing Autism Risk, What You Can Do Norm Schwartz, MD
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Junior AB	Adrenals and a Review of Other Hormones Including Thyroid and Growth Hormone Rachel West, DO
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Grand E	Visual Strategies 101: From Picture Cards to Video Modeling—a Broad Spectrum of Techniques to Help Your Child with Autism Succeed Susan Ellis

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Special Events

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

5:30 - 7:30 pm Junior Ballroom AB

UNITY & COMMUNITY PARENT MIXER

As part of the conference, we want to provide families with an opportunity to relax, mingle and network. Have fun, drink and eat.



Eat and Mingle!! Meet your local biomed-oriented moms/dads and local/national support organizations/groups like Autism Society of Illinois, National Autism Association, AutismOne, Talk About Curing Autism, Autism Hope Alliance, Generation Rescue, Autism is Medical, and more!!

Parents new to the autism diagnosis or new to biomedical treatments are invited to join some of the non-profit and parent-supporting organizations that specifically help parents and families. Let these seasoned parents and professionals guide you through the conference, helping you pick out which sessions may be the important to you and your family or just an opportunity to network. Learn about the various non-profit organizations and how they can help you.

Appetizers, soft drinks and an **open bar** are included in the ticket price. **Tickets are \$35.00 each.** Check at conference registration desk for availability of remaining Mixer tickets.

INTERACTIVE Q&A WITH LEADING PHYSICIANS AND PARENTS

Dan Rossignol, MD, FAAFP; Richard Frye, MD, PhD;
David Dornfeld, DO; Kyle Van Dyke, MD;
James Neubrandner, MD

Friday May 25, 2012

7:30 pm - 10:00 pm Grand G-J

Join us for a Q&A with a panel of the most published and most successful biomedical experts leading the field of autism spectrum disorders coupled with parents who are actively utilizing biomedical interventions to help their children. Make the most of this rare opportunity and have your questions prepared. You will have the chance to learn from other parents' stories and concerns and have the chance for all of these leading physicians to weigh in on these issues.



THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Grand CD

The Greater Good

THE GREATER GOOD looks behind the fear, hype and politics that have polarized the vaccine debate in America today. The film reframes the emotionally charged issue and offers, for the first time, the opportunity for a rational and scientific discussion on how to create a safer and more effective vaccine program.



FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

7:15 pm - 9:45 pm

DAD'S NIGHT OUT

FREE to registered attendees!

Calling ALL Dads! Join your peers for the **2nd Annual Dad's Night Out!** While the moms are at Spa Night walk over to Lucky Strike Lanes for your night. You will have 2 hours of bowling, billiards and food. Of course there will be beer, you just have to pay for that! Meet up at 7:15 in the hotel lobby.

This a tradition...YOU DESERVE IT! Dads last year had a great time! Remember this is a DADS ONLY event! This is a great opportunity to connect with dads from across the country and get some much needed time to yourself!

SPACE IS LIMITED: YOU MUST PREREGISTER AT EXERCISE CONNECTION EXHIBIT BOOTH #35A.



FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

7:30 pm – 10:00pm

SPA NIGHT IS FREE

As part of the conference, we want to provide families with an opportunity to relax, mingle and network.

TIME TO RELAX and Let US PAMPER YOU!!!! You deserve it!!!



Is your head spinning after a long day in biomed mode, therapy and workshops, let us pamper you!! Come to Spa Night, relax and get pampered with mini massages, mini facials, paraffin dip of the hands and more. Flickering candles, music and lots to eat and drink and take home an amazing goodie bag.

(PREREGISTRATIONS FILLED EVENT)

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

10:00 pm – late Junior Ballroom AB

Hosted by The Thinking Moms Revolution

KARAOKE NIGHT



FREE to registered conference attendees! You do not need to register separately for this event.

Come join us for the **3rd Annual AO Karaoke Party!** The last two years were a blast and this year will be bigger and better! Come see your friends and favorite autism community personalities belting out their version of songs from the past and current hits!



For the first time ever.... This evening will also play host to the **AutismOne Silent Auction**. Not only is it a fundraiser, but it's a great opportunity to bid on some fantastic donations. See the list of the amazing donors below!

THE AUTISMONE SILENT AUCTION

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012

9:00 pm – 11:00 pm, Junior Ballroom AB

Begin browsing and bidding at 9 pm with music and a cash bar available. Karaoke kicks off at 10 pm. Auction bidding closes at 10:30, checkout at 11 pm.



(Saturday checkout if needed at the Thinking Moms Revolution booth #70 in the lobby.)

The AutismOne Silent Auction for the first time this year will be held during our Karaoke Party on Friday Night. This is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to AutismOne. We are extremely grateful for the generosity of our donors (so far!) to this year's auction.



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ONE GREAT DINNER: TWO GREAT CAUSES

THE BORN TO FIGHT FOR TRUTH & JUSTICE SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER CELEBRATION

Featuring the *More Than Ready for Prime Time Players* starring Wade Rankin, Sym Rankin, Lisa Goes, Zack Gonzalez, Linda Betzold, and others.

Enjoy prizes, surprises, red carpet, photo booth, deejay, dancing, comedy, truth, and good food with your friends and family at this dinner that benefits AutismOne and the Dr. Wakefield Justice Fund.

Time: Saturday, May 26, 7:30 pm – Midnight

Place: Grand Ballroom E-J

Ticket: \$125 per person that includes a gift bag valued at over \$50 and a ticket for one drink.

Check conference registration desk for availability.

Dress: Swanky

Menu

Garden salad with choice of dressings
Freshly baked rolls and butter
Chicken Florentine with shallot demi
Chef's selection of vegetables
Chef's selection of dessert
Coffee & tea

WHY WE FIGHT

"I lost my job, my career, and my country, and that is a high price to pay, but a price that I readily paid and would pay again for these children are worth it." – Dr. Andrew Wakefield

"Fraud," "liar," "cheat," "bullsh**," and "criminal" were just some of the charges leveled. The takedown of Dr. Wakefield played out in every major media outlet. *TIME* Magazine called Dr. Wakefield one of the "Great Science Frauds." *The New York Times* called it "The Crash and Burn of an Autism Guru." ABC and CNN conducted public lynchings disguised as interviews. In all, over 140 million Americans learned that Dr. Wakefield's study that found bowel disease in children with autism and questioned the safety of the MMR vaccine was an elaborate fraud.

Originating from the *British Medical Journal* the full-frontal attack replaced the slow-burn insinuation of previous assaults. The campaign to discredit Dr. Wakefield and deny vaccine safety science betrays all of us. Each conversation that dares to raise the question of an autism-vaccine connection begins and ends with "famed British gastroenterologist Dr. Wakefield has been shown to be a fraud." Outcasts, liars, and charlatans all – Dr. Wakefield was the target, but the victims are science and you.

Ruthless in its depth and breadth and chilling in its effect, the campaign to destroy Dr. Wakefield opened the floodgates and established the groundwork to begin a chapter of aggression and expansion. Bills are fast-tracked to add vaccines to the schedule while simultaneously removing exemptions. Freedoms and parental rights are ignored and trampled. The AAP advocates firing parents who question vaccines. CPS routinely intimidates families who seek alternative treatments. And the blame stands hand in hand and one shock of recognition runs the whole circle round.

Two decades of failure culminated this April in the CDC's staggering new rates of 1 in 88 children and 1 in 54 boys with autism. Facing the most serious health crisis this country has ever known, those in positions of power turned their back on the evidence, experience, and science that points to environmental triggers and vaccines as the cause.

In a defining moment without fanfare or notice, Dr. Wakefield filed suit in Texas on January 3rd to reclaim his good name and redeem his work. The lawsuit strikes at the heart of the matter – the lies, corruption, and continuing cover-up. We are fighting back – at last. The battle has been joined. Dr. Wakefield's science is sound and points the way to begin healing our children and ending the epidemic.

Those who declared war on Dr. Wakefield, and by extension, any parent of a vaccine-injured child now stand accused as the perpetrators of the greatest suppression of science campaign in the history of medicine. *The British Medical Journal*, Fiona Godlee, the journal's editor, and Brian Deer, the reporter will need to answer in a court of law – with discovery, depositions, testimony, cross examinations and witnesses – for their part in a campaign to subvert science and destroy Dr. Wakefield.

In a near perfect piece of poetic justice the firestorm they created will consume them. The campaign will be exposed for what it is, the circle of others involved will grow, and the truth will prevail.

Join us for this most important dinner/celebration. You will learn how we are winning and what comes next in our battle for justice. You will be feted, entertained, and empowered. You will laugh & cry, and you will help make the difference that charts the future course of our community out of darkness and into sunlight.



Featured Presentations

SANDOR ELLIX KATZ

FEATURED SPEAKER: *Fermentation Basics*

Learn simple and safe techniques for fermenting vegetables and live-culture soft drinks so that you can prepare these healing probiotic foods and beverages with confidence at home. In our bacteria-phobic culture, people often approach these foods with fear, worrying that they may accidentally be growing bacteria that could make their families sick. This workshop will demystify and explain the process. There will be ample opportunity to answer any questions you may have.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012

8:00am - 12:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012

1:00pm - 5:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

BENJAMIN GESUNDHEIT, MD, PHD (VIA WEBCAST)

FEATURED SPEAKER: *Mesenchymal Stem Cell Treatment for ASDs: The Therapeutic Rational and its Future Potential*

Following the Witebsky-Rose criteria, we aim to test the hypothesis of ASD as an autoimmune disease.

Evidence for the presence of specific immune markers, and the presence of a family history of autoimmune diseases, points to the possibility of an autoimmune etiology. Due to the potent anti-inflammatory, immunomodulatory, and regenerative capacities of mesenchymal stromal stem cells (MSC) and the cumulative clinical experience confirming the safety and efficacy of MSC treatment for various clinical conditions, MSC might open new therapeutic horizons for children with ASD.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012

10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand E-J

LUC MONTAGNIER, MD

KEYNOTE: *The Microbial Track*

There is in the blood of most autistic children-but not in healthy children-DNA sequences that emit, in certain conditions, electromagnetic waves. A therapy first started by a group of independent clinicians and now performed in conjunction with laboratory observations reinforces the idea that systemic bacterial infections play a role in the genesis of symptoms of autism. Our GPs have observed that a long-term therapy consisting of successive antibiotic treatments with accompanying medications induced in 60% of cases a significant improvement - sometimes even a complete resolution of symptoms. Our working hypothesis is that immune dysfunction associated with inflammation of the intestinal mucosa leads to the introduction of bacterial components, including neurotoxins, into the bloodstream, creating oxidative stress as well as

microvascularities, especially affecting meningeal vessels and finally specific neuronal damage.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012

11:30am - 12:30pm - Room: Grand E-J

DAVID LENDER, MBA

FEATURED SPEAKER: *Vaccine Nation: A Novel Dramatizing the Vaccine Safety Debate*

My journey from conservative investment banker and believer in the integrity of the corporate world to Big Pharma skeptic, novelist, and vaccine choice proponent was an eye-opening one. It culminated in my novel, *Vaccine Nation*, a thriller dramatizing the vaccine safety debate, about a gutsy documentary filmmaker who is handed whistleblower evidence about the US vaccination program. She races to expose it before a megalomaniacal drug company CEO can have her killed.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012

2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

JENNY MCCARTHY

KEYNOTE: *Recovery is Real*

With honesty, humility, and humor Jenny McCarthy transcends her roles as comedian, actress, host, best-selling author and influential activist in healing and preventing autism. Seven times NY Times Best-Selling Author, Jenny is also the co-creator of Teach2Talk, a DVD series that teaches language, behavior, and social skills. President of Generation Rescue, providing education, medical assistance and treatment for children with autism, she lives in Los Angeles, California, with her son, Evan.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012

10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand F-J

DAVID L. LEWIS, PHD

KEYNOTE: *Targeting Scientists to Protect Government Policies and Industry Practices*

Government agencies, corporations, and academic institutions protect government policies and industry practices by funding supportive scientists and targeting scientists who threaten their interests. Research on autism is being overwhelmed as public health organizations and the pharmaceutical industry control the publication of scientific information. All branches of government, fraught with their own conflicts of interest, stand idle as corruption of the scientific enterprise abounds.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012

12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

THOMAS BORODY,

MD, PHD, FRACP, FACP, FACG, AGAF

FEATURED SPEAKER: *GI Microbiota and Regressive Autism*

Gut microbiota had been implicated in regressive autism from vancomycin treatment studies. There is a higher prevalence of abnormal bowel function in autistic children, and the non-absorbable vancomycin significantly changes behavior. Presumably, suppressing the culprit bacteria results in improvement. This opens the door to treatment not only with antibiotics but also with probiotics active against the pathogens, including various forms of fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT).

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012

1:30pm - 2:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

ANDREW WAKEFIELD, MB, BS, FRCS, FRCPATH

FEATURED SPEAKER: *The End Game*

This talk traces the history of the autism epidemic from its origins in the 1988/1989 developed-world birth cohorts through the risk for children born today and into predictions for future prevalence rates. It charts the revolutionary shift from medical dogma to the validation of parental insights. It offers solutions in place of conflict and paths to healing and prevention. The implications for the future of the practice of medicine and science will be discussed in the context of dealing with controversy in situations where policy and profit are influential factors. Its messages will be ignored by those in power and the more dire of its predictions will result.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012

5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand F-J

YI JIN, MD

FEATURED SPEAKER: *EEG-guided rTMS in Autism Spectrum Disorder—An Open Label Study*

Nineteen subjects with ASD were treated with rTMS. Treatment was provided 5 days a week for 5 weeks. Results showed that 42% of subjects responded. Corresponding to the clinical improvement, most responders demonstrated significant improvement in EEG alpha synchronization. The present study supports the hypothesis that the ASD syndrome is a clinical manifestation of the brain deficit of anxiety, which should be the primary focus of treatment.

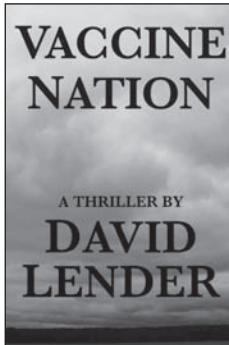
Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012

9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand F-J

Book Signings

FRIDAY, MAY 25 TO SUNDAY, MAY 27

Meet and talk to your favorite authors who are forging the future. These are some very cool books, so get your autograph requests ready!



DAVID LENDER
Vaccine Nation

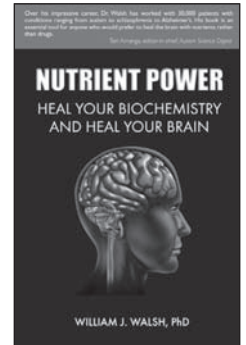
Talk: Grand F-J Friday, 2:30-3:30 pm
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KEN SIRI
Cutting-Edge Therapies for Autism
Talk: Grand AB Friday, 9:00-10:00 am
Sign: Lobby Friday, 10:00-10:30 am

DR. WILLIAM WALSH
Nutrient Power

Talk: Junior Ballroom AB
Saturday, 8:00-8:55 am
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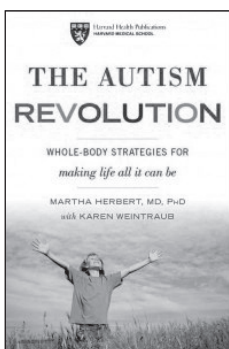
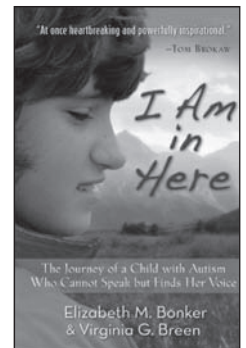
ELIZABETH BONKER/
VIRGINIA BREEN
I Am in Here
Talk: Cypress Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am
Sign: Lobby Sunday, 10:00-10:30 am



DR. MARTHA HERBERT
Autism Revolution
Talk: Grand F-J Saturday, 8:00-10:00 am
Talk: Junior AB Saturday, 5:00-6:00 pm
Sign: Grand F-J Saturday, 10:00-10:30 am

ANAT BANIEL
Kids Beyond Limits
Talk: Grand F-J Saturday, 9:00-10:00 am
Talk: Lilacs Saturday, 1:30-3:55 pm
Sign: Grand F-J Saturday, 10:00-10:30 am

ALEX DOMAN
Healing at the Speed of Sound
Talk: Lilacs Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am
Sign: Lobby Sunday, 10:00-10:30 am



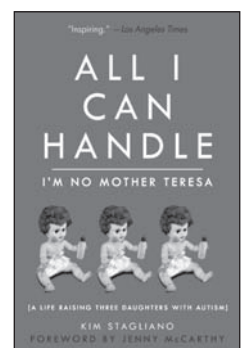
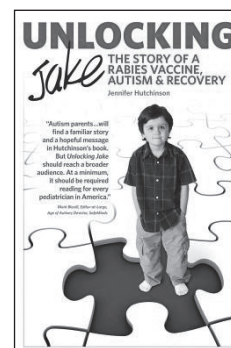
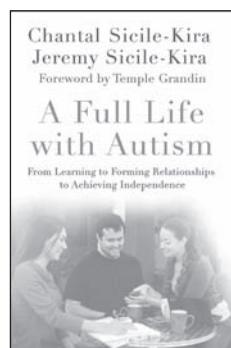
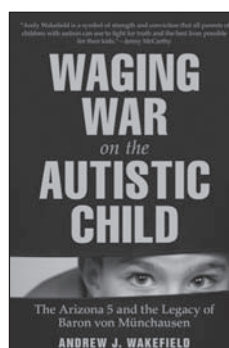
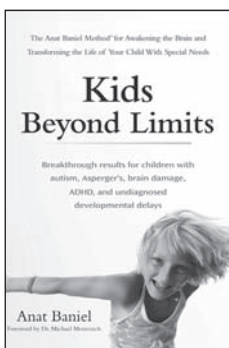
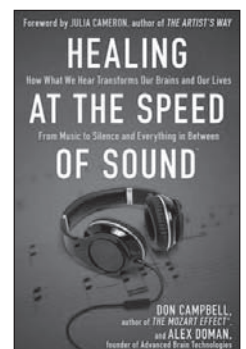
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Waging War on the Autistic Child
Talk: Grand F-J Saturday, 5:00-6:00 pm
Sign: Lobby Saturday, 2:30-3:00 pm

JEREMY & CHANTAL SICILE-KIRA
A Full Life with Autism
Talk: Cypress Saturday, 3:00-3:55 pm
Sign: Lobby Saturday, 2:30-3:00 pm

KIM STAGLIANO
All I Can Handle: I'm No Mother Teresa: A Life Raising Three Daughters with Autism
Talk: Grand AB Friday, 5:00-6:00 pm
Sign: GR Lounge Friday, 2:00 pm

JENNY MCCARTHY
Talk: Saturday, 10:30-11:25 am
Sign: GR Lounge Saturday, 11:30-12:30 pm

JENNIFER HUTCHINSON
Unlocking Jake
Talk & Sign: Lobby Friday, 10:00-10:30 am



Culinary Transformation Experience

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm, Junior Ballroom AB

Culinary Day like you've never experienced before!

Spend the day with fabulous, fun teachers of healthful, healing habits regardless of diet – GFCF, SCD, GAPS, Body Ecology, and more. We will keep your interest, attention, and appetite piqued all day with special activities like movement and LAUGHING YOGA breaks and HANDS-ON opportunities with equipment and food. Of course you will sample delightful morsels and bring home recipes galore. Think Woodstock's Rock Concert only healthful food is our Love & Passion!

Main Stage Presentations:

- Beyond bone broth
- Healing with Ayurvedic spices & herbs
- Fermentation for EVERYONE
- Organic farming & eating
- Snacks for all occasions – sweet & savory



Hands-On Tables: Up Close & Personal

1. GFCF breads and treats (Rose's Wheatfree Bakery)
2. Ferments to sample: sauerkraut, kombucha, and water kefir (Sueson Vess & volunteer: Nina)
3. Smoothies including fermented smoothies (Cristy Packer)
4. Juicing (Deepa Deshmukh)
5. Spiralize your food – great for grain-free diets including red sauce with lots of added veggies and white sauce, nondairy with pureed mushrooms (Sherrin Ross Ingram)
6. Table with recipes, handouts, books and GFCF samples

Culinary Transformation Experience - Schedule

8:30-9:00	Brief introduction/overview; meet the JOY TEAM: <i>Sueson Vess, Sherrin Ross Ingram, Deepa Deshmukh & Jasmine Jafferli</i>	2:00-2:15	Music - Movement Break Exercises to enhance digestion <i>Jasmine Jafferli</i>
9:00-9:30	Beyond Bone Broth (w/chicken feet) (demo/sample) 1. Basic how-to, cut up chicken, quality resources 2. Knife skills 3. Discuss uses for broth and provide recipes <i>Sueson Vess</i>	2:15-3:00	Healing with Ayurvedic Spices & herbs <i>Deepa Deshmukh & Sueson Vess</i>
9:30-10:15	GFCF Bread making without a mix – recipes for you to adapt at home and/or use in a bread machine <i>Sueson Vess</i>	3:00-3:45	Importance of organic, non-GMO foods and what to avoid and add for maximizing benefits. Evidence-based. <i>Bill Schleffer, Pure Prairie Farm</i>
10:15-10:45	Music - Movement Break - Psoas <i>Jasmine Jafferli</i>	3:45-4:00	Laughing Yoga Break <i>Deepa Deshmukh & Jasmine Jafferli</i>
10:45-12:00	Fermentation 101 1. HOW-TO, WHY TO, how to incorporate into kids' diet (hint: tools & techniques) 2. Discuss soaking nuts, seeds, beans, grains 3. Fermented baby carrots (demo/sample) 4. Salad dressing (sample in small cup, no demo) 5. Fermented Pancakes (demo/sample) <i>Sherrin Ross Ingram, Sueson Vess & Kathy Pirtle</i>	4:00-4:45	Snacks for all occasions: sweet/savory/salty – provide recipes for all, demo/sample those with * 1. Fig/date balls w cacao powder & Earl Grey tea 2. Lemony hummus (w/turmeric) 3. Mini meatballs with nondairy ranch sauce 4. *SCD chicken bites with apricot dipping sauce* 5. Ready-made Mrs. Mays Pumpkin Seed Crunch 6. *Kale chips (seasoned or plain)* 7. Smoothies – green, fruit, and fermented 8. Veggies with nut/seed butter or nondairy ranch 9. *Roasted chickpeas (spice/salt)* <i>Sueson Vess & Sherrin Ross Ingram</i>
12:00-2:00	Up Close & Personal-Table Time: Hands-on opportunities in the room (Music in background) <i>All participants</i>	5:00-5:30	Q&A All participants



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First Responders: Autism Awareness
and Roll Call Briefing Trainer

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

9:00 am - 3:30 pm Junior Ballroom AB

Registration & networking at 8:30am
Presented by AutismOne, Autism Society of Illinois
and North East Multi-Regional Training (NEMRT)

This comprehensive one day training session provides the latest resources, materials, and information on persons with the developmental disability known as Autism, Autism Spectrum Disorders or Asperger's Syndrome. The unique challenges posed to police, fire and paramedics will be discussed by Dennis Debbaudt, one of the leading public safety presenters on this topic.

Public Act 95-0171 (50 ILCS 705/7) requires all new officers to have autism training as part of their basic academy learning. This in-service trainer will help departments insure that all experienced officers have the same opportunity to learn about this topic.

After attending this program, officers may want to use an outstanding training video that includes excellent information, handouts and scenarios for roll call training. This video, Autism and Law Enforcement Roll Call Briefing Video, can be acquired through a purchase agreement or borrowed from the NEMRT Instructors Library's video collection, for use during in-house training.

Research indicates that persons with developmental disabilities are many more times likely to come in contact with law enforcement professionals and pose particular challenges to those who have never experienced the unique social and communication challenges of this disability.

The instructor for this course will be Dennis Debbaudt, parent of a young man with Autism, and Florida-based licensed private investigator. Debbaudt has authored numerous articles and books, including *Contact with Individuals with Autism: Effective Resolutions*, with Darla Rothman, for the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin (2001), and *Autism, Advocates and Law Enforcement Professional; Recognizing and Reducing Risk Situations for People with Autism Spectrum Disorders* (Jessica Kingsley Publisher, 2002). He was instrumental in development of the state of Maryland's Police and Correctional Training Commission's curriculum *Why Law Enforcement Needs to Recognize Autism* (1999), and was a consultant to Chicago Police Department's autism training module (2007) He produced *Autism Awareness Video for Law Enforcement* (2004), and consultant to an ABC News 20/20 segment about the false confession to bank robbery by an adult with autism. Debbaudt presents this training throughout the United States.

Special Guest Speaker: Dr. Stephen Shore, a national authority on this subject.

EBCALA: KNOW YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012

8:30 am - 5:30 pm

The Elizabeth Birt Center for Autism Law and Advocacy Training
EBCALA Training offers 7.25 Continuing Legal Education hours through the Illinois and
Pennsylvania Bars. This year EBCALA offers 5 tracks:

Track 1: Legal Training Track 2: Special Education Law Day

EBCALA Track 1: Legal Training – Grand Ballroom AB

- 9:00-9:15 am **Introduction to Law Day**
Mary Holland, Esq.
- 9:15-10:30 am **Know Your Parental Rights with DSM5 ASD Changes**
Kate Weisman, Jodi Bouer, Esq., Mitchel Perlman, PhD and Steven Kossor
- 10:30-10:45 am **Morning Break**
- 10:45-12:00 pm **Know Your Family Law Rights**
Lisa Colin, Esq., and Kim Mack Rosenberg, Esq.
- 12:00-1:00 pm **Lunch**
- 1:00-2:00 pm **Know Your Vaccine Exemption Rights**
Alan Phillips, Esq.
- 2:00-2:45 pm **Know Your Medicaid Rights**
Steven Kossor
- 2:45-3:30 pm **Know Your Life Planning Rights for an ASD Family Member**
Michael Sanders and Lisa Rudley
- 3:30-3:45 pm **Afternoon Break**
- 3:45-5:15 pm **Know Your Insurance Rights: Anatomy of an Autism Claim 101**
Jodi Bouer, Esq. and Yvonne McNamee
- 5:15-6:00 pm **Know Your First Amendment Rights: An Inside Look at Andy Wakefield's Defamation Case**
Dan Olmsted

EBCALA Track 2: Special Education Law Day – Cypress Ballroom

- 9:00-10:00 am **Know Your Special Ed Rights: IDEA Overview & Preparing for Advocacy**
Tim Adams, Esq. and Lynne Arnold
- 10:00-10:30 am **Know Your Special Ed Rights: Preparing for Advocacy**
Tim Adams, Esq. and Lynne Arnold
- 10:30-10:45 am **Morning Break**
- 10:45-12:00 pm **Know Your Special Ed Rights: Understanding School District and Independent Assessments**
Mitchel Perlman, PhD
- 12:00-1:00 pm **Lunch**
- 1:00-3:00 pm **Know Your Special Ed Rights: IEP Strategy**
Tim Adams, Esq. and Lynne Arnold
- 3:00-3:15 pm **Afternoon Break**
- 3:15-4:30 pm **Advanced Special Education Topics**
Tim Adams, Esq.
- 4:30-5:15 pm **Question and Answer Session on Special Education Rights**
Tim Adams, Esq., Mitchel Perlman, PhD and Lynne Arnold

EBCALA SPECIAL EVENT – (Grand Ballroom AB)

7:00-8:30 pm **EBCALA screening of Mixed Signals with panel discussion**

Please join EBCALA to view HD Net's report, "Mixed Signals." Emmy award-winning journalist Greg Dobbs takes a critical look at the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) and asks the question, "Why are there so many compensated brain-injured individuals in the VICP that also have autism?" After the 25 minute report, Mary Holland, Louis Conte, and Becky Estep will host a panel discussion on "Mixed Signals" as well as Pace Law School's article, "Unanswered Questions."

Elizabeth (Liz) Birt

Elizabeth Birt (1956-2005) was one of the earlier advocates who helped shape what would become a community of parent activists committed to finding truth and securing justice for their children. Liz was an attorney, a co-founder of SafeMinds, a founding member of the National Autism Association, a co-founder of A-CHAMP, and a principal author of Mercury in Medicine, the 2003 report by the House Government Reform Committee that found mercury in vaccines was toxic. Liz was a mom. In 1996 Liz's son, Matthew, then 15-months old, was diagnosed with autism. Liz spent the rest of her life helping her son and other affected children and families. Read more about Liz's life here. The Birt Center is founded in her honor to continue her work.



CME PROGRAM FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012 8:00 am - 6:00 pm, Lilac Ballroom

Please note that this session is open to doctors and nurses in the healthcare professions.



Overview of Program

This program will provide information for professional medical practitioners concerning the variety of pathophysiological processes frequently encountered in children with Autistic Disorder. Topics covered will include evidence-based data regarding metabolic, gastrointestinal, immunological, and neurological dysfunction within subpopulations of autism spectrum disorders (ASDs). Subtopics that will be covered will include intestinal inflammation, methylation, transsulfuration, oxidative stress, immune dysregulation, mitochondrial disorder, seizure disorder, and detoxification impairment. Case histories will be presented that demonstrate the synergy among a number of comorbid disease states present in autism, and which suggest the benefit of a comprehensive approach to treatment. The program will familiarize practitioners with developing a comprehensive approach in the medical evaluation of ASDs, utilizing the principles of personalized care.

Program Objectives

The professional will:

- Become familiar with the variety of the pathophysiological processes often present in Autistic Disorder
- Understand conditions comorbid with ASD
- Understand when appropriate subspecialty referral is indicated
- Understand their role as coordinator of care among the various subspecialties involved
- Be able to more effectively help patients with an ASD with therapies targeting identifiable comorbid pathological processes

This Live activity, AutismOne CME Program for Professionals, with a beginning date of May 24, 2012, has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 9 Prescribed credit(s) by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. AMA/AAFP Equivalency: AAFP Prescribed credit is accepted by the American Medical Association as equivalent to AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. When applying for the AMA PRA, Prescribed credit earned must be reported as Prescribed, not as Category 1.

Schedule

8:00 - 9:00 am	A Pathophysiological Approach to Brain Issues in Autism <i>Martha Herbert, MD, PhD</i>
9:00 - 10:00 am	Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain and Immune System. Part I: General Principles <i>Richard Deth, PhD</i>
10:00 - 11:00 am	Environmentally Influenced Immune-Behavior-Cognitive Dysfunction <i>Jeff Bradstreet, MD</i>
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Autistic Enterocolitis: Fact or Fiction <i>Arthur Krigsman, MD</i>
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain and Immune System: Part II: Autism-specific Aspects <i>Richard Deth, PhD</i>
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Neurological Abnormalities in Autism <i>Richard Frye, MD, PhD</i>
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Making a Plan: Applying Biomedical Interventions in the Clinical Setting <i>Kyle Van Dyke, MD</i>
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Taking Therapies to the Next Level <i>Jeff Bradstreet, MD</i>
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Q&A Session <i>Jeff Bradstreet, MD</i> <i>Richard Deth, PhD</i> <i>Arthur Krigsman, MD</i> <i>Kyle Van Dyke, MD</i>

Exciting Info at the Demonstration Stage in the Junior Ballroom C Exhibiting Area!!

There's a brand new opportunity at the AutismOne Conference to learn more about several products and services by visiting our Demonstration Stage in Junior Ballroom C, off the Junior Ballroom Foyer.

This new feature will introduce you to therapists, exhibitors, and other professionals who will share valuable information in 15-20 minute intervals during conference break times.

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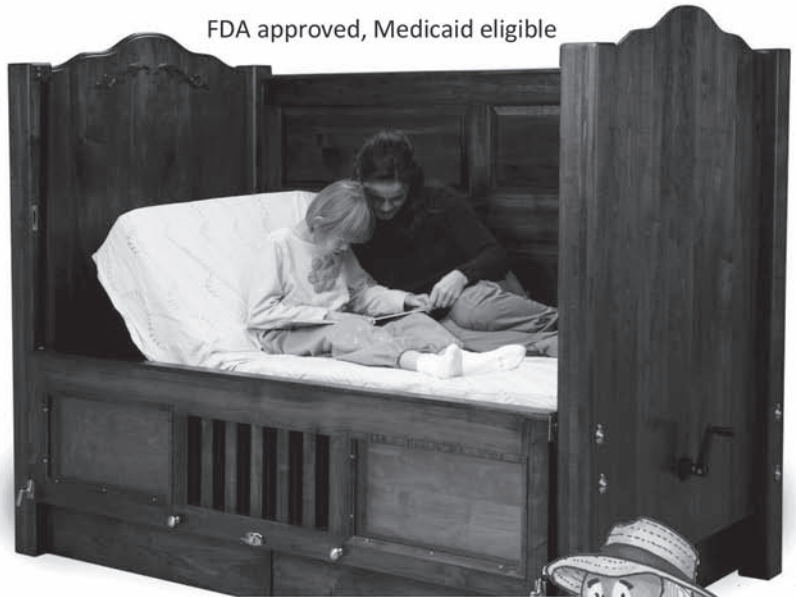
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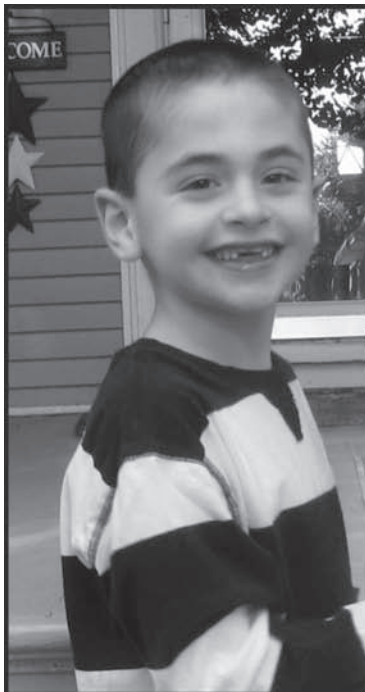
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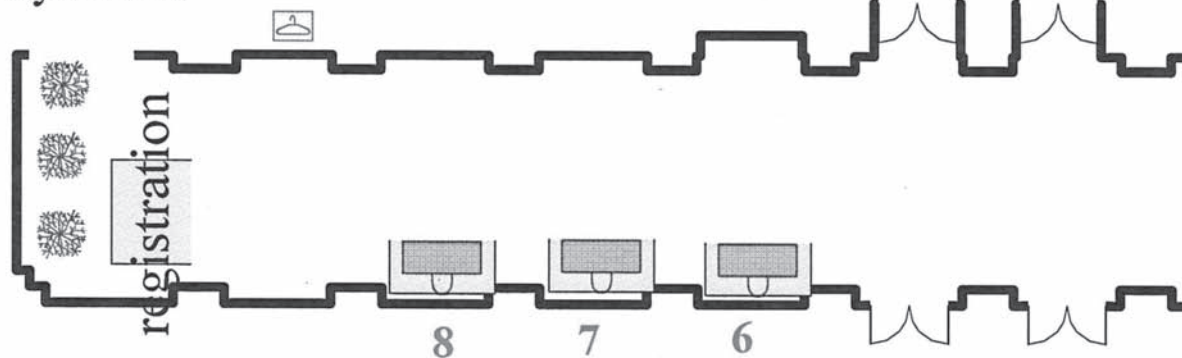
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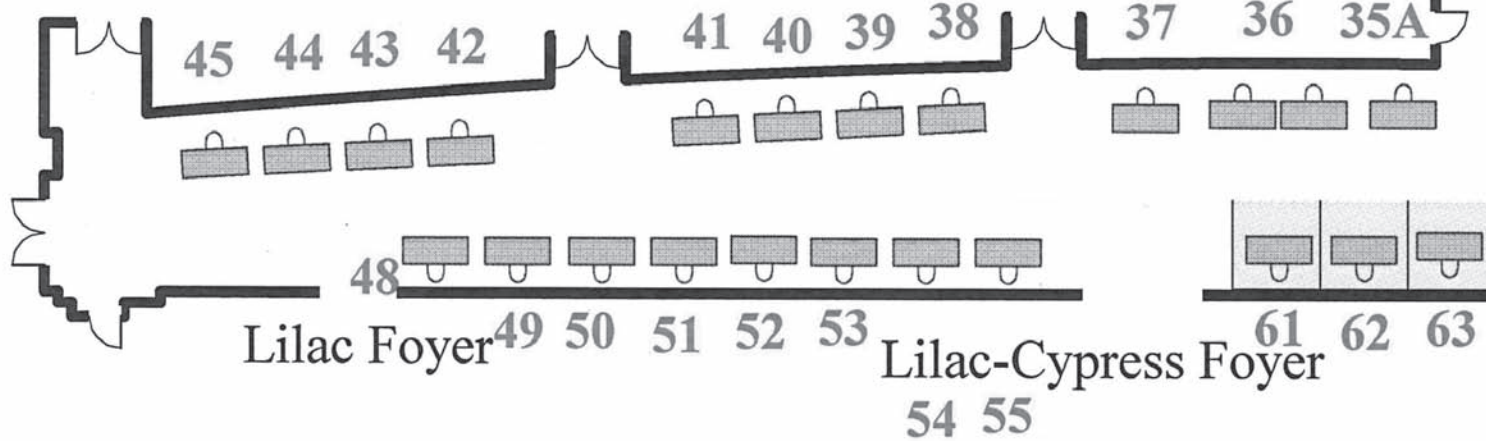
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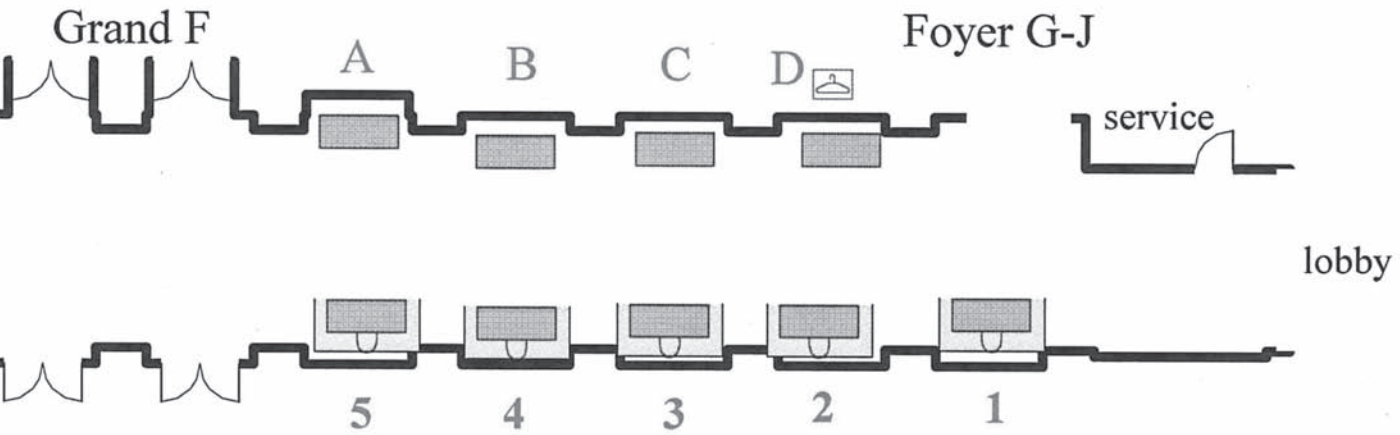
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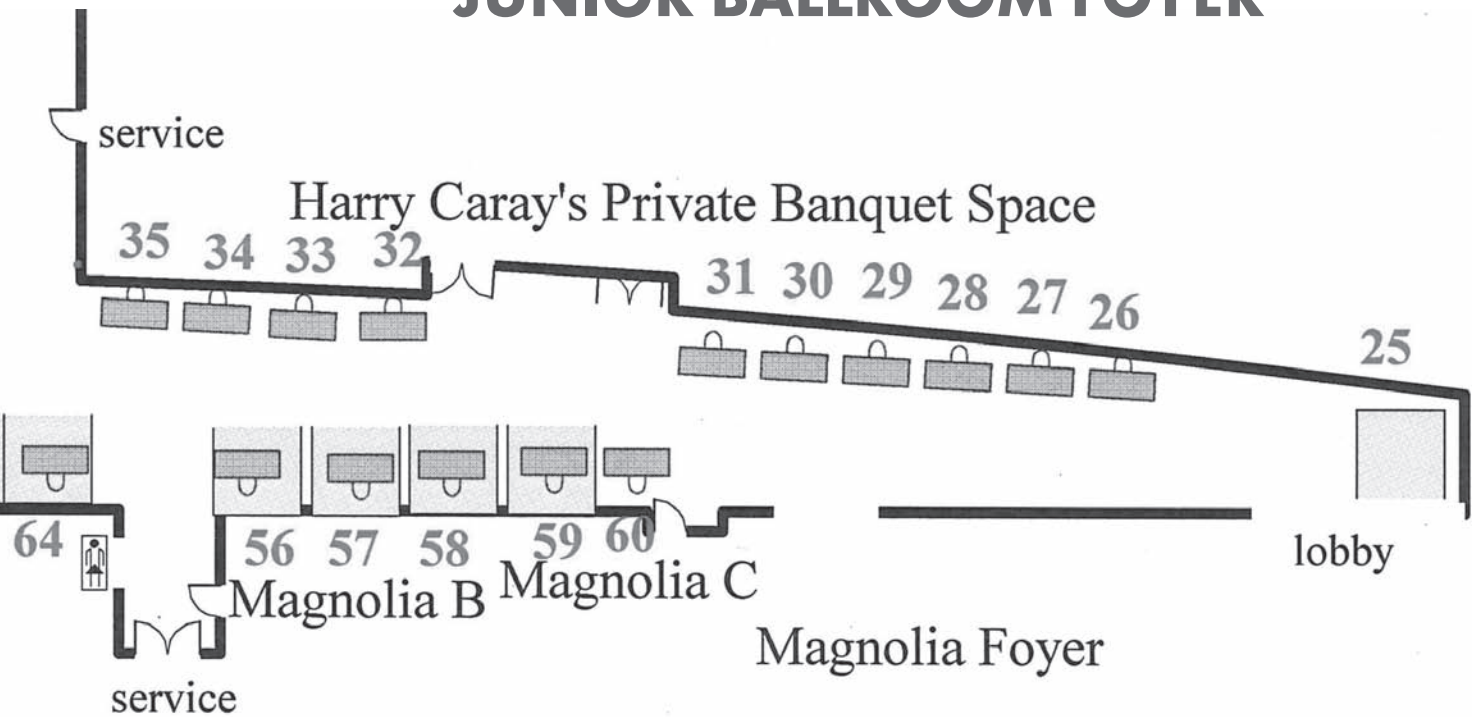


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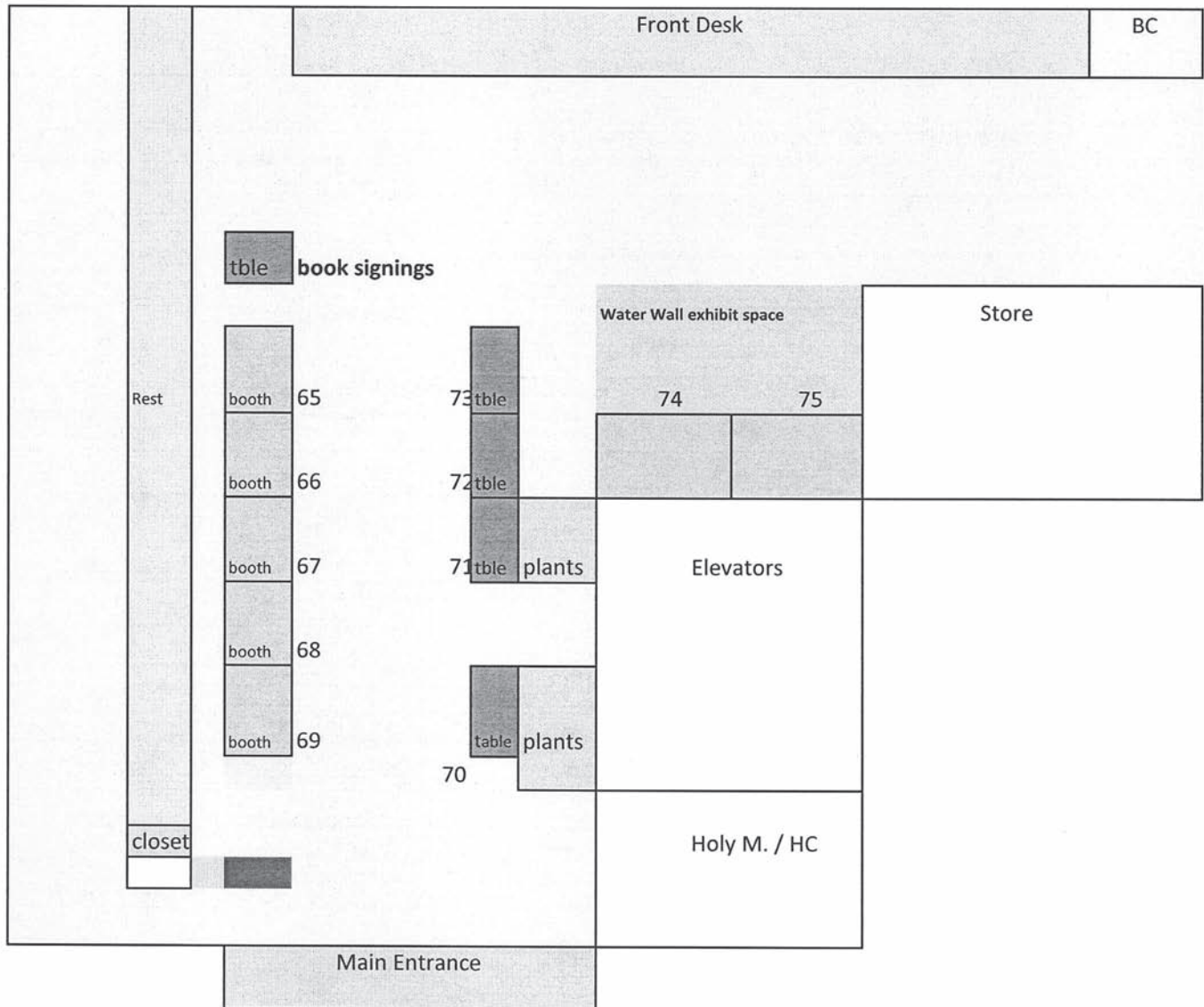


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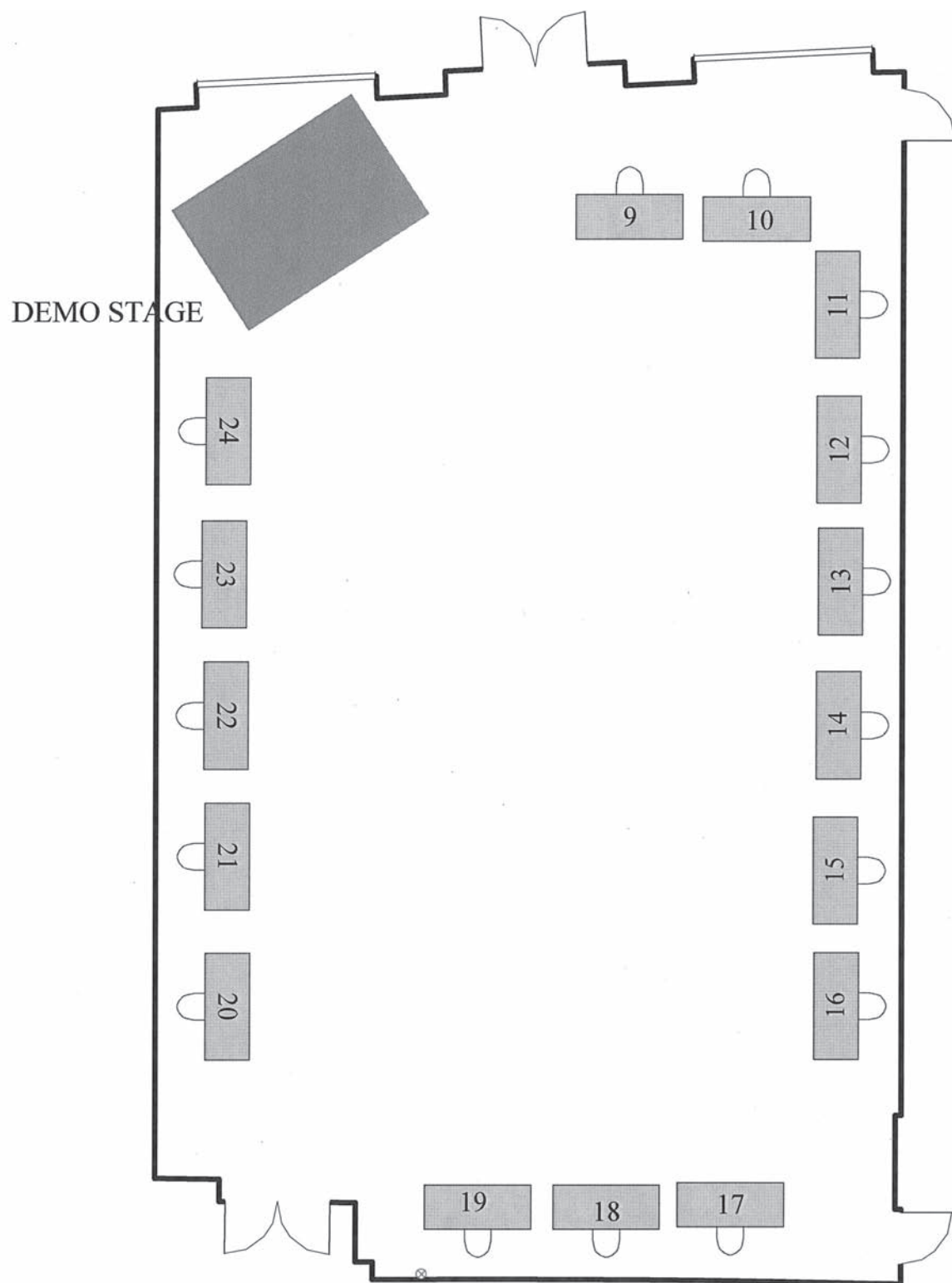
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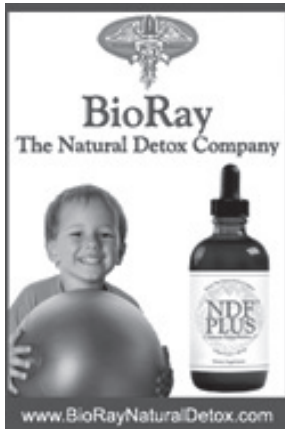
Generation Rescue's Care for the Caregivers Lounge

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TIMOTHY ADAMS, ESQ., AND LYNNE ARNOLD

Know Your Special Ed Rights: IDEA Overview & Preparing for Advocacy

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) is a federal law that creates civil rights and substantive protections for children with disabilities. Do you understand your school district's legal obligations to your child under federal law? Come learn the basic framework of IDEA 2004 as well as the implications of recent case law in the context of achieving a free appropriate public education (FAPE) for the special needs child.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Cypress

Know Your Special Ed Rights: Evaluations

Assessing the child in all areas of suspected disability is the legal obligation of the district and usually the most important building block of the IEP. Without an accurate assessment, it can be nearly impossible to place the child in the correct program. This session will explore common contradictions and misinterpretations in district assessments that result in inappropriate recommendations. The most important aspects of an independent educational evaluation as well as critical ages for assessment will be covered.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 10:00am - 10:30am - Room: Cypress

Know Your Special Ed Rights: IEP Strategy

The first step to effectively controlling the IEP process is determining the appropriate strategy to gain leverage with the school district. The IEP process will be broken down into components to teach parents how to evaluate the best course of action in each situation. We will discuss how parents can more effectively respond to district objections to parental and independent expert recommendations. Techniques for forcing district personnel to fully explain their positions and district "policies" will be explored. Parents will learn how to apply these concepts to their child's individual needs and their district.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 1:00pm - 3:00pm - Room: Cypress

Biographies: Tim Adams received his BA from the University of California, Irvine and his Juris Doctorate degree from Pepperdine University School of Law. He serves as a board member for the Elizabeth Birt Center for Autism Law & Advocacy (EBCALA). He has served as an adjunct professor and associate director of the Special Education Advocacy Clinic, Pepperdine University School of Law. He is actively involved in educating parents and professionals throughout the United States regarding special education law.

Through conference presentations and mentoring, Lynne Arnold helps parents to understand their child's rights to appropriate interventions and education. Lynne is the editor of *Autism: Asserting Your Child's Rights to a Special Education* by David A. Sherman. She has presented at AutismOne, the National Autism Association conference, Families for Effective Autism Treatment (FEAT), Autism Society of America, and other autism groups.

TIMOTHY ADAMS, ESQ., LYNNE ARNOLD, AND MITCHEL PERLMAN, PHD

Q&A on Special Education Rights

What does all of this information mean to advocating for your individual child? Parents are encouraged to submit their questions to integrate the lessons learned with a new plan of action.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 4:30pm - 5:15pm - Room: Cypress

MITCHEL PERLMAN, PHD

Know Your Special Ed Rights: Understanding School District and Independent Evaluations

Assessing the child in all areas of suspected disability is the legal obligation of the district and usually the most important building block of the IEP. Without an accurate assessment, it can be nearly impossible to place the child in the correct program. This session will explore common contradictions and misinterpretations in district assessments that result in inappropriate recommendations. The most important aspects of an independent educational evaluation as well as critical ages for assessment will be covered.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 10:45am - 12:00pm - Room: Cypress

Biography: Mitchel D. Perlman, PhD, focuses on the assessment and treatment of children and adolescents who have specialized needs and/or who are involved in chaotic-intense-traumatic-critical situations. Known for the comprehensiveness of his investigatory assessments (psychodiagnostic, psychoeducational, neurocognitive), Dr. Perlman is often called on to be the impartial independent examiner in juvenile, family, civil, and special education proceedings.

TIMOTHY ADAMS, ESQ., AND MARA LAVIOLA

Advanced Special Education Topics

The presenters will address advanced special education topics, including: Does your school district have an obligation to maintain your child's educational records under FERPA? Can bullying be considered a denial of FAPE? Can an IEE be granted on a contingency by your district? Has your district threatened and intimidated you that if you pursue a claim against them and lose, they will seek collection of its attorney's fees against you? Answers to these questions and many others will be discussed.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:15pm - 4:30pm - Room: Cypress

Biography: Mara is a graduate of Cornell University and the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. As a parent of two children with disabilities, she advocates for disabled children and education issues on national, state, and local levels. Mara has received many awards for her advocacy work and dedicates much of her time to helping families obtain free appropriate public education for their children. She is an active member of COPAA and has served on state policy committees, providing input on disabilities rights.

CHRISTINA ADAMS, MFA

Practical Magic: The Benefits and Realities of Camel Milk Therapy for ASD

Camel milk is gaining anecdotal praise for notable effects in ASD children (C. Adams, Autism File, April 2012). Hailed by the UN for nutritional value, it reportedly shows remarkable benefits in several diseases. Adams shares her unique experiences and information gathered from scientists and camel experts since 2005 as her son is probably the longest continual ASD user of camel milk. She covers fascinating studies, explains potential benefits, and outlines the complexities of obtaining milk.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Christina Adams, MFA, wrote *A Real Boy: A True Story of Autism, Early Intervention and Recovery* (Berkley/Penguin, now on Kindle). She worked at the Pentagon and in aerospace, then turned to autism when her son was diagnosed. She lectures nationally and consults with international scientists on health and camel milk. Her credits include NPR, *The Washington Post*, *CHILD*, and *The LA Times*. She writes regularly for *Autism File*, consults for pharma information firms, and is a parent advocate. <http://www.facebook.com/christinaadamsauthorautismadvocate>

JAMES B. ADAMS, PHD, AND ROSA KRAJMALNIK-BROWN, PHD

Intestinal Microbial Ecology and Autistic Gastrointestinal Problems

The gut bacteria of children with autism was compared with typical children using pyrosequencing of stool samples. We observed that the gut microflora in healthy children was more diverse and had a higher number of unique phylotypes than in autistic children. At the phylum level, children with autism had more Verrucomicrobia and less Proteobacteria. At the genus level, children with autism had high amounts of Akkermansia and less Oscillobacter, Prevotella, and Paraprevotella.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Junior AB

Biographies: James B. Adams, PhD, is a President's Professor at Arizona State University, where he directs the ASU Autism/Asperger's Research Program. His research focuses on the medical causes of autism and how to treat it, including nutrition, toxic metals, gut bacteria, and seizures.

Rosa Krajmalnik-Brown, PhD, is an assistant professor at Arizona State University. Her research includes evaluation of gut bacteria in obesity and in autism. <http://autism.asu.edu>

NANCY ALSPAUGH-JACKSON

Waiting For Wyatt: A Journey Through Autism to Empowerment

Autism Mom, author and advocate Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson tells the story of her journey in parenting a child with autism and how it led to her "true calling" as an advocate and activist for other families. The executive director of ACT Today! (Autism Care and Treatment Today) believes "your disability is your opportunity" and that life's greatest challenges are "expeditions of the soul" which lead us to become the self-actualized beings we are meant to be.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Nancy Alspaugh-Jackson is a former high-powered television-producer-turned-author and activist on the subject of fearless aging and autism awareness. She is an Emmy-Award winning television producer and executive who pioneered the magazine-program format with *Westinghouse PM Magazine*. She has been honored with the United Press International Award, the Associated Press Award, the Gabriel Award, and the Genesis Award as well as having been named one of the *Hollywood Reporters* "Women to Watch." <http://www.nancysalpaughjackson.com>

LORENE AMET, PHD, MED

Self-Injurious Behaviors in Autism: Causes and Management Options

Approximately 30% of children with autism exhibit some level of self-injurious behaviours, including head banging, blows to the face, biting and scratching. The frequency and severity of these behaviors can be reduced by a range of treatments that address centrally the issue of pain. The speaker will report on how pain should be assessed and addressed biomedically alongside the communication needs of the children using the principles of applied behavior analysis.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:00pm - 2:30pm - Room: Grand F

Lyme Disease in Autism: Diagnosis and Treatment Options

Lyme disease is often referred as the "Great Imitator" because patients with the disease present with neurological and physical symptoms found in other conditions. The speaker will summarize the knowledge gained in this field from diagnosis to understanding of the pathological processes taking place as well as the naturopathic and antibiotic treatment options available. She will draw parallels between Lyme's and other chronic infections affecting individuals with autism.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:30pm - 2:55pm - Room: Grand F

Biography: Dr Lorene Amet is trained as a neuroscientist (brain development, brain ischemia and epilepsy) and in special education (Autism). She has worked in Edinburgh, Oxford and Princeton Universities before working at the Autism Treatment Trust in Edinburgh. Dr Amet is also trained in administering the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS) and Autism Diagnostic Interview- Revised (ADIR) used for the diagnosis of autism.

PAT AMOS, MA

Shouldn't School be Safe? Preventing and Eliminating the Use of Aversives, Restraint, and Seclusion

Many students with disabilities continue to be subjected to the use of restraint, seclusion, and other aversives as part of their education and behavior intervention plans. Many of our schools have not yet "gotten the word" that these techniques are inherently unsafe and can result in serious injury, psychological trauma, and even death. This presentation will help parents, advocates, and teachers understand how to work together to eliminate these dangerous and counterproductive techniques.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Pat Amos is a parent and has been an advocate for people with disabilities and their families for over 25 years. She currently works as an inclusion specialist with the Youth Advocate Program's Autism Institute. Her longstanding involvement in preventing restraint and seclusion includes working with the national Alliance for the Prevention of Restraint, Aversive Interventions, and Seclusion (APRAIS), and the Family Alliance to Stop Abuse and Neglect. She sits on several major autism committees.

ANAT BANIEL

The Anat Baniel Method: Transforming The Lives of Children On The Autism Spectrum Through Practical Applications of Brain Plasticity Principles

In this experiential presentation you'll learn about the 9 Essentials of the Anat Baniel Method to awaken the remarkable capacities of the brain of the child with autism to heal and learn. Replacing repetitive exercises, discover science-based, cutting-edge practical tools that can be used at home or adapted to therapy that helps the brain of the child self-organize at higher levels, catapulting the child to be able to feel, understand, move, and think in ways that seemed unattainable before.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 1:30pm - 3:55pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Anat Baniel, clinical psychologist, dancer, and close associate of the late Dr. Moshe Feldenkrais, is a leader in the field of movement/brain relationship. She developed a cutting-edge approach supported by recent brain plasticity research. Anat and the practitioners she trained are known for their remarkable outcomes with children with special needs. She is currently involved in a pilot study on TBI with Dr. Merzenich and is the author of the best-selling *Move Into Life and Kids Beyond Limits*.

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Saturday at 10:00-10:30 in Grand F-J.

ROBERT SCOTT BELL

Politics and Economics of Healing

This talk explores the suppression of information via control of mainstream media and illuminates means of supporting and healing the body by taking back control of our own and our children's health with natural, legitimate remedies. How does the larger-world picture impact

what real "medicine" is available to children with autism, and how do you access it? The power to heal is yours!

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Each week Robert Scott Bell empowers his listeners with healing principles that can aid in physical, emotional, mental, spiritual, economic, and, yes, even political healing! He is a homeopathic practitioner with a passion for health and healing unmatched by anybody on radio. He personally overcame numerous chronic diseases using natural healing principles and has dedicated his life to revealing the healing power within all of us. <http://www.robertscottbell.com>

DAVID BERGER, MD, FAAP

From Preconception to Infancy: Environmental and Nutritional Strategies for Lowering the Risk of Autism

With a national ASD incidence of 1 in 88 and the incidence of ASD in a second child at 1 in 6, many parents are looking for strategies to prevent ASD in future offspring. This lecture will explore nutritional, dietary, and detoxification approaches for women prior to conception and during pregnancy and for the period of early childhood.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Berger is a pediatrician who specializes in holistic pediatric and limited adult primary care; nutritional and detoxification therapies for autism, ADHD and related disorders; and immune dysregulation, such as allergies, asthma, and autoimmune disorders. Dr. Berger graduated from the Medical College of Pennsylvania in 1994 and did his residency at University of South Florida. In 2005, he opened Wholistic Pediatrics in Tampa. In 2010, he became an assistant professor at the USF Nursing College. www.wholisticpeds.com

NICOLE BEURKENS, PHD

How to Set Limits without Losing Your Mind: Behavior Strategies that Make Life Easier

Dealing with behavior challenges is one of the toughest jobs parents have! Responding to inflexibility, rudeness, resistance, tantrums, and more can be exhausting and overwhelming. When parents understand the underlying reasons for challenging behaviors and have simple tools to manage them, life becomes easier. This session will explore the biggest mistakes parents make when responding to their child's behaviors and five powerful tools for managing any behavior your child may throw your way.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:00pm - 2:55pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Nicole Beurkens, PhD, is the founder and director of the Horizons Developmental Resource Center in Caledonia, Michigan. She is a licensed clinical psychologist and certified special education teacher, and she has authored numerous articles and books. With a background in child development, classroom teaching, family-based therapy, and research, Dr. Beurkens is an award-winning therapist, consultant, and speaker for families and professionals throughout the United States and abroad.

<http://www.HorizonsDRC.com>

MARK BLAXILL, MBA

The First Dads of Autism: Life Lessons and Early Patterns from the Leo Kanner's First 11 Fathers

Interesting patterns of fathers' experiences in autism were set at the outset of the Age of Autism and have included abandonment, avoidance, anger, and advocacy. Taking a historical perspective on the first fathers of the autism epidemic, this discussion will reflect on the lessons for the fathers in the epidemic period of autism.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Mark Blaxill is the father of a daughter diagnosed with autism, chairman and cofounder of the Canary Party, editor-at-large for *Age of Autism*, a director of SafeMinds, and a frequent speaker at autism conferences. He has authored a number of scientific publications on autism. He received a bachelor's degree summa cum laude from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public/International Affairs at Princeton University and an MBA with distinction from Harvard Business School. He coauthored a book with Dan Olmsted, *The Age of Autism: Mercury, Medicine and a Man-made Epidemic* (Thomas Dunne, 2010).

MARK BLAXILL AND MARIAN GREEN

Gardasil Think Tank

Reports of reactions to the HPV vaccines Gardasil and Cervarix continue to rise and gain more national exposure; however, health authorities have been slow to respond to these mounting concerns. AutismOne and the Canary Party are bringing together these vaccine-injury victims, their families, and concerned medical professionals to begin the public discussion on what illnesses and symptoms they are seeing following Gardasil vaccine reactions and what interventions may hold promise in improving the health and functioning of young people who may be experiencing the debilitating and sometimes deadly phenomenon termed "Gardasil Syndrome." We encourage those who want to bring understanding and healing in this arena and who want to help further educate public health professionals on developments in our understanding of what is happening in this population to participate in this think tank. This

session will be moderated by Mark Blaxill, chairman of the Canary Party and Marian Green of The Truth About Gardasil.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 10:30am - Room: Oak

MARK BLAXILL, MBA, DAN OLMSTED, AND KIM STAGLIANO

Age of Autism - The Year in Review

Join the AgeofAutism.com team, Editor Dan Olmsted, Editor-At-Large Mark Blaxill, and Managing Editor Kim Stagliano as they present a review of the stories that affected the autism community throughout 2011 and early 2012.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand E
<http://www.ageofautism.com>

MARK BLAXILL, MBA, JENNIFER LARSON, AND GINGER TAYLOR, MS **Why Are So Many Children Sick?**

Mark Blaxill, Jennifer Larson, and Ginger Taylor of the Canary Party will be discussing the increasingly quick decline of children's health in the United States and the role that government and corporate corruption is playing. Come learn what you can do to protect yourself and your family and how you can fight back.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biographies: Jennifer Larson is the mother of a 10-year-old with regressive autism. She has degrees in marketing, psychology, and speech communication and is the owner and CEO of Vibrant Technologies and of St. Croix Solutions. She is also the owner, founder, and CEO of the Holland Autism Center and Clinic, the founding board chair of Children with Autism Deserve Education (CADE), a cofounder of the Vaccine Safety Council of Minnesota, and a member of the Minnesota Autism Advocacy Coalition.

Ginger Taylor is an author, speaker, news media writer, and activist. She blogs on the politics of autism, health, vaccination, informed consent, and corporate and government corruption. Ginger is a former marriage and family therapist specializing in adolescent and family therapy and holds a Master of Clinical Counseling from Johns Hopkins University. She is a coauthor and contributing editor of the recently published book *Vaccine Epidemic*.
<http://www.canaryparty.org>

MARK BLAXILL, MBA; THOMAS CLARK, ESQ.; KEN SIRI; DAVID GESLAK; AND WADE RANKIN

Dad's Panel

A empowered group of fathers will discuss their transition into the autism community. They will share challenges and successes they have had helping their children and families. This panel is a first-of-its-kind and not to be missed.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand AB

TOM BOHAGER

Digestive Challenges & Solutions Associated with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Autism spectrum disorders are most often accompanied by digestive distress. This distress ranges from stomach aches, diarrhea, and constipation to food intolerances, food allergies, and malabsorption. Tom will discuss the most common symptoms and the solutions that can help. Specific restrictive diets and enzyme therapy will be featured in this presentation.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Tom Bohager holds a bachelor's degree in holistic nutrition and is the author of two books: *Everything You Need to Know About Enzymes and Enzymes: What the Experts Know*. In 1998, he founded Enzymedica, which has an emphasis on education. In addition to focusing on Enzymedica's long-range goals, Tom founded the Autism Hope Alliance (AHA) in 2008. In 2009 AHA sponsored the Autism Grass Roots Tour, visiting 27 states.

THOMAS BORODY, MD, PHD, FRACP, FACP, FAGC, AGAF **FEATURED SPEAKER: GI Microbiota and Regressive Autism**

Gut microbiota had been implicated in regressive autism from vancomycin treatment studies. There is a higher prevalence of abnormal bowel function in autistic children, and the non-absorbable vancomycin significantly changes behavior. Presumably, suppressing the culprit bacteria results in improvement. This opens the door to treatment not only with antibiotics but also with probiotics active against the pathogens, including various forms of fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT).

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Prof. Borody is the founder (in 1984) and current medical director of the Centre of Digestive Diseases in Sydney, Australia. He has published over 220 scientific papers and was a clinical fellow in gastroenterology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. His research has contributed to antibiotic treatment for *Helicobacter pylori* in ulcer disease and he has continued research into Crohn's disease, IBS, and disorders of the human bowel flora. He's championed fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT).

JODI BOUER, ESQ., AND YVONNE MCNAMEE

Anatomy of an Autism Claim 101

In this new seminar, insurance attorney Jodi Bouer and billing and coding expert Yvonne McNamee will explain the major components of your insurance policy, and break down the insurance claims process to demystify how you can obtain coverage for your child's autism therapies. They will identify key arguments and strategies that you can use to maximize your reimbursements. Please bring your coverage and coding questions to the seminar, which will be highly interactive with an extensive Q&A period.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:45pm - 5:15pm - Room: Grand AB

Biographies: Jodi is the principal in her own practice that focuses on helping ASD individuals and their providers obtain insurance coverage for therapies. She has extensive insurance law experience as former counsel at an insurance company and at major law firms. She has taught insurance law at Seton Hall Law School. She helps clients understand how insurers assess coverage obligations and how to present their claims most effectively with their policies.

Yvonne McNamee, billing and coding specialist, is a partner in Health Coverage Advocates of Princeton LLC (HCAP), a nationwide advocacy service that helps families pursue insurance reimbursements for autism therapies under state mandated plans. She has worked in the medical practice management and administration field since 1983 and has extensive experience in pediatrics. Yvonne holds a certificate in medical practice management and medical billing and coding. <http://www.bouerlaw.com>

JODI BOUER, ESQ.; MITCHEL PERLMAN, PHD; STEVEN KOSSOR, MA; AND KATIE WEISMAN

Know Your Parental Rights with DSM-5 ASD Changes

We will compare the definitions of autism spectrum disorders in DSM-IV with the proposed new definition of "Autism Spectrum Disorder" that will replace all of them in 2013 if adopted by the American Psychiatric Association. Participants will compare the diagnostic criteria side-by-side to see how a healthcare professional can translate an existing DSM-IV "Autism Spectrum" diagnosis into a DSM-5 "Autism Spectrum Disorder" diagnosis and the potential pitfalls in that process.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 9:15am - 10:30am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Katie Weisman is the mother of identical triplet boys who all have autism. After a career as a technical designer, she is now a full-time mom and autism advocate. She chairs a local support group for parents of children with autism and has been actively involved in state and federal legislation. All three of Katie's sons have mercury poisoning, which she believes is the primary cause of their disability. She is on the board of directors of SafeMinds and works part-time as the SafeMinds director of communications. She lives in Mt. Kisco, New York. <http://www.treatmentplansthatworked.com>

JEFF BRADSTREET, MD

Environmentally Influenced Immune-Behavior-Cognitive Dysfunction (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

We now have an abundance of evidence that environmental factors, including allergens, volatile organic compounds, microbes and toxins may all influence behaviors and cognitive processes in many children with autism spectrum disorders, ADHD and LD. This lecture will create the fundamental knowledge needed to address the causes and therapies.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 10:00am - 10:55am - Room: Lilacs

Taking Therapies to the Next Level (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

If it is your choice to be a practitioner who moves past the basics of the gut-brain treatments we have been using for over 20 years, then this is a lecture you need to hear. Over the past year, Dr. Bradstreet has integrated a unique and groundbreaking approach to some of the most complicated cases. This lecture will explore stem cell therapies, calcium channel dysfunction, understanding nagalase enzyme testing, and how to apply these therapies.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Lilacs

Exciting New Developments and Discoveries to Help Autism

Autism represents one of the most challenging disorders to treat and many of us have been frustrated with inadequate responses to a wide variety of interventions. Recent developments in the understanding of calcium channels interacting with vitamin D transporter proteins have opened new pathways to healing and recovery. Case examples of recovered children will be presented.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand G-J

Are Stem Cells the Future of Autism Biomedical Therapies?

Dr. Bradstreet is actively involved in research and treatment of autism using various types of stem cells. An animal model of autism has been created to study different types of stem cell therapies in collaboration with the Department of Experimental Medicine at the Second University of Naples, Italy. In addition, Dr. Bradstreet is collecting outcome data on children treated using neuronal stem cells in Europe. This discussion will address all types of available and experimental stem cell types and their individual benefits and risks. Stem cell may prove to be a great hope for long-term immunological and neurodevelopmental therapy for ASDs.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Dr. Bradstreet obtained his medical degree from the University of South Florida and his residency training at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center. He is extensively published on the subjects of immunology, toxicology, and molecular biology. Currently, he is enhancing techniques for stem cell yield from adipose tissue. This work continues and enhances his efforts at immunotherapy, heavy metal detoxification, and restoration of a healthy gut ecosystem.

**JEFF BRADSTREET, MD; RICHARD C. DETH, PHD;
ARTHUR KRIGSMAN, MD, AND KYLE VAN DYKE, MD**
CME Program Q&A Panel Discussion

(Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)
Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Lilacs

VIRGINIA BREEN AND ELIZABETH BONKER

When You Have Finally Found Your Voice, What Do You Most Want to Say?

Elizabeth Bonker, 14, is profoundly affected by autism and can't speak, yet she illuminates the inner world of autism through poems that she types one finger at a time. *I Am in Here: The Journey of a Child with Autism Who Cannot Speak but Finds Her Voice* by Elizabeth and her mother, Virginia Breen, combines Elizabeth's poetry with Virginia's stories. Intensive educational, behavioral, and medical interventions have all helped Elizabeth to find her voice.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 9:40am - Room: Cypress

Biographies: Virginia Breen is the mother of three beautiful children, two of whom are affected by autism. She has contributed inspirational stories from the journey to Elizabeth's poetry in *I Am in Here*. Virginia studied computer science and electrical engineering at Harvard, business at Columbia, and eastern philosophies in Singapore. Even in the darkest days, she knew Elizabeth was "in there."

Elizabeth Bonker is a talented young woman who, like any other 14-year-old, is simply trying to discover her place in this world. Unlike most 14-year-olds, however, Elizabeth is profoundly affected by autism and cannot speak. Nonetheless, she illuminates the inner world of autism and the world around her by typing out poetry. More than 70 of her poems are in her recently published book, *I Am in Here*. www.IAmInHereBook.com
THESE SPEAKERS HAVE A BOOK SIGNING on Sunday at 10:00-10:30 in the lobby.

GERI BREWSTER, RD, MPH, CDN

Special ASD Diets & Nutrition: Healing the Gut—Healing the Brain

This presentation will review the various therapeutic diets implemented for children with ASD. It will include a review of the literature indicating GI disease associated with ASD and the gut-brain connection. Each of the special diets will then be examined for a thorough understanding of the benefits and cautions.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Geri Brewster, RD, MPH, CDN, is a certified dietitian-nutritionist with a Master of Public Health, who practices in NY. She has advanced areas of study in functional medicine and biomedical therapies. Geri speaks nationally on pediatric special needs, children's health, and nutritional needs. She is a contributor to a number of publications, has been quoted in many newspaper and magazine articles, and has been featured in numerous radio and TV appearances. www.geribrewster.com

SALLY BROCKETT, MS

Ear Health Conditions: Unrecognized Barriers to Development and Learning

Children are given verbal information all day by teachers, therapists, and parents, but are their ears actually receiving and transmitting it correctly to the brain? There are ear health conditions that go unrecognized and interfere with transmission, making it difficult or impossible to understand and learn easily. Sally Brockett, coauthor of *Hearing Equals Behavior: Updated and Expanded*, discusses these conditions, how to identify them, and steps to remedy the condition.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:25pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Sally Brockett, MS, is director of IDEA Training Center in North Haven, Connecticut, and a certified International Berard AIT Instructor/Practitioner. With personal training from Dr. Guy Berard and 18 years experience with Berard AIT, Sally continues to provide his method to children and adults with various developmental delays.
<http://www.ideatrainingcenter.com>

GREGORY BROWN, MD

Surviving Biomedical Therapies without Breaking the Bank

Juggling diets, supplements, IV treatments, educational therapies and the rest of life is taxing under the best of circumstances and particularly difficult on a budget. Dr. Brown will provide tips and approaches for choosing which battles to fight and which can be

postponed as well as tips for recognizing which will require experienced assistance. He will also take a look at those biomedical interventions that can be started before you meet with a practitioner and how to make the most of your therapy dollar.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand AB

ARCH Medical Center Parent Q&A

Join Dr. Gregory Brown and other staff members of the ARCH Medical Center for this broad-ranging, casual, and comfortable Q&A opportunity to ask about biomedical issues in autism.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Oak

Biography: Gregory L. Brown, MD, is a board certified internist with 18 years experience in emergency medicine. He received practitioner and advanced practitioner training from the network formerly known as Defeat Autism Now! as well as ACAM instruction and certification in chelation therapy and certification in hyperbaric medicine from UHMS. He currently serves as medical director of the ARCH Medical Center in Franklin, Wisconsin, a practice dedicated to the medical treatment of children with autism spectrum disorders. www.archmedicalcenter.com

JEFFREY BUCHHALTER, MD, PHD

Autism & Epilepsy: Co-morbidities or Co-pathophysiology

Dr. Buchhalter will discuss types of seizures and epilepsies and EEG findings in children with ASD. He will address the most frequently asked questions and present research findings comparing children with ASD and the general population. This presentation will look at reported causal factors, at interictal epileptiform EEG abnormalities, and at the profound implications of treating individuals with ASD who have interictal EEG discharges.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Buchhalter served as division head at the Mayo Clinic (Rochester) and is currently at Phoenix Children's Hospital, where he is also director of the Pediatric Comprehensive Epilepsy Program and professor of pediatrics (College of Medicine-University of Arizona, Phoenix). He completed his MD and PhD at the UCLA School of Medicine and his pediatric residency at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. He has trained in pediatric neurology, clinical neurophysiology, and cellular electrophysiology.

DAN BURNS, PHD; CHERYL KILMER, MA; WILLIAM MARA; CATHY PURPLE CHERRY, AIA, LEED AP; JEREMY SICILE-KIRA; CHANTAL SICILE-KIRA; VIRGINIA BREEN; ELIZABETH BONKER; STEPHEN SHORE, EDD; JACKIE M. MARQUETTE, PHD

Adult/Adolescent Think Tank Discussion

As half a million young adults with autism pour out of the school system and onto the streets, governments are paralyzed. Parents are asking: where will my adult child with autism live, learn, work, play, heal, and find friends after the school bus stops coming? Join the discussion with a high-powered panel of parents and professionals who are creating model homes, jobs, schools, and communities for a safe and productive future.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Cypress

DAN E. BURNS, PHD

Reclaiming Your Child's Job Rights: "Job Ready" is Not What You Think

When after a 10-year wait Ben received his Medicaid Waiver award—"Mr. Burns, you've won the Texas Lottery!" I asked the agent what was covered. "Living expenses, speech therapy, and dayhab," she said. "What's dayhab?"

She lowered her eyes. "Adult daycare." And Ben's future snapped shut.

Here's the good news: Any person who is a beneficiary of Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Insurance is presumed to be eligible for VR services. Explore the good news with me.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:40am - Room: Cypress

Biography: Dan E. Burns, PhD, taught communication courses as an adjunct professor at Southern Methodist University, the University of Texas at Arlington, and the University of Phoenix. Burns is the author of *Saving Ben*; a contributing editor to *Age of Autism*; adult issues liaison for AutismOne; and chair of the Autism Trust USA, a charity focused on empowering parents to organize communities where their ASD children and others can live and work, enjoy life, give back to society, and continue to heal. www.TheAutismTrustUsa.org

MANUEL F. CASANOVA, MD

Making Sense about Reported Brain Abnormalities in Autism

A review of the brain literature in autism suggests that brain abnormalities of germinal/stem proliferation cells acts as a *loci minoris resistentia* to different disease processes. In effect, secondary autism caused by tuberous sclerosis, rubella, cytomegalovirus, or associated with premature delivery provide for germinal cell alterations. A better understanding of this underlying process is the first step towards identifying putative risk factors and possibly averting this condition.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Manuel Casanova was a founding member of the National Alliance for Autism Research. He chaired the Developmental Brain Disorders Study Section of the NIH and serves as an editor for 11 different journals. He has edited three books, written over 200 scientific articles, and provided for over 300 congress presentations. Dr. Casanova is the recipient of a EUREKA award from the NIMH, and in 2010 he was a plenary speaker at the World Organization of Autism Congress in Monterrey, Mexico.
<http://minicolumn.org/people/casanova/>

DEB CATRON, MED

The Ides of October: How My Grandson Saved My Life

October 2009 began my long journey of recovery after being injured by a flu vaccination. That was the day I died. November 2009, I was hospitalized for paralysis and the doctor confirmed it was from the flu shot. The months that followed were spent in the hospital and a nursing facility, and I was sent home on hospice status. My life was saved by methods my daughter used to help my grandson who has Asperger's. This was not the end of my journey. I am still struggling to put my life back together.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Deb Barnes Catron received her degrees in elementary education from Eastern Illinois University. She taught in the Danville, Illinois, school district for 35 years. She has spent the past 15 years studying brain-friendly education. This included how to teach children with special needs. Catron continued to teach 4th grade until a vaccine SHE received then changed her life forever. Little did she know, all the knowledge learned from treating her grandson with Asperger's Syndrome would then save her life.

SHAWN CENTERS, DO, FACOP

Osteopathy and Seizures

Learn about the use of manipulative therapy in the treatment of autism, seizure disorder, and the gut.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Junior AB

Living Energy: Essential Oils and Autism

The practical, hands-on use of essential oil therapy in autism. Hear how the use of just the right essential oil helped a boy start to speak again after years of not speaking.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:25pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Shawn K. Centers, DO, FACOP, clinical director of the Osteopathic Center for Children & Families in San Diego, California, is a pediatrician and internationally known expert on osteopathic pediatrics, nutrition, and natural medicines as they apply to children. Dr. Centers has worked for the last 10 years at the Osteopathic Center for Children & Families. Prior to this, Dr. Centers served as the pediatric chief resident for the Children's Hospital of New Jersey. <http://www.osteopathiccenter.org>

CHARLES W. CHAPPLE, DC, FICPA

Posture and Motor Matter in the Autism Spectrum

Movement influences many aspects of our lives. Posture guides this motor activity and frequently goes uncorrected among individuals on the spectrum. Learn how this matters and the crucial role of chiropractic.

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 1:00pm - 2:30pm - Room: Grand G-J

Affecting Sensory Processing and Primitive Reflexes with Chiropractic and Cranial Sacral Therapy

So frequently are sensory processing disorders, ADHD, and autism addressed through a variety of behavioral and biochemical approaches that the significance of the biomechanical aspects of these conditions can be underestimated. Experts state that if a cluster of irregular nervous system reflexes remains unaddressed, it will prevent sustained, long-term improvement. My focus is to utilize these noninvasive techniques to benefit the individual's biomechanical and nervous system demands.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Dr. Charles W. Chapple completed his undergraduate studies at Nazareth College of Rochester, NY, receiving a Bachelor's degree in Biology before earning his Doctorate in Chiropractic from National College of Chiropractic in 1991. Dr. Chapple holds many post-graduate certifications in chiropractic pediatrics (Fellowship in International Chiropractic Pediatric Association), acupuncture, and applied kinesiology. Dr Chapple has received "America's Top Chiropractors" honors for multiple years.
<http://www.drchapple.com>

CATHY PURPLE CHERRY, AIA, LEED AP

Success through Architecture—Designing Educational and Residential Environments for the ASD Population

As the numbers of children with challenges such as autism and Asperger's grow and these individuals age, the ways progressive educational and residential leaders who help special needs children and adults have increased, developing programs that integrate life and

vocational skill opportunities into the academic curriculum and residential environments. The architectural design of educational facilities and residential homes serves as a key component in ensuring life-long success of these individuals.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 9:40am - Room: Cypress

Biography: Cathy Purple Cherry, AIA, LEED AP, is a leader in the design of environments for children and adults with special needs. As a special needs architect, Mrs. Cherry, principal, Purposeful Architecture™ and Purple Cherry Architects, creates spaces that foster thoughtful living and learning environments and inspire creativity, individuality, and independence. Mrs. Cherry is currently working on projects being designed and constructed nationally to better serve our special needs population. Mrs. Cherry lectures nationally and writes regularly for Autism Science Digest and Autism File. <http://www.purplecherry.com>

THOMAS CLARK, ESQ.

Estate Planning for Special Needs Children – What Parents Need to Know

Any family with a special needs child - whether mild, moderate or severely affected - needs proper estate planning. This presentation will describe special needs trusts, which enable parents to control how their assets will benefit their children without jeopardizing any governmental assistance their children receive. Tom will also discuss adult guardianships, SSI benefits, the reasons you should become guardian for your adult child, and the steps required to become guardian.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Thomas Clark is an attorney focused on helping parents of special needs children. Prior to establishing Thomas Clark Law LLC, Tom spent 15 years administering trusts and estates for three of Chicago's largest trust departments. Tom is a graduate of IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, has been married to his wife Molly for 16 years, and is the father of Jack, an eight-year-old with autism. In addition to special needs trusts, Tom assists parents with guardianships and general estate planning.
www.thomasclarklaw.com/

LISA COLIN, ESQ., AND KIM MACK ROSENBERG, ESQ.

CPS at Your Door - and What If You Can't Be There For Your Children

The medical community and school districts increasingly are using child protective services (CPS) and the court system to pressure parents who make what mainstream practitioners view as "alternative" health care decisions regarding their children. Parents' decisions and families' lives are scrutinized. Parents face allegations of neglect and abuse. Court action and the child removal are realities facing the special needs community. What are the powers of CPS? This presentation will assist counsel and parents in preparing for an inquiry and will highlight some recent case studies.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/25/2012 - 10:45pm - 12:00pm - Room: Grand AB

Biographies: Lisa Colin is a partner at Martin & Colin, PC located in Westchester County, NY. She represents parents and children who are subject of abuse charges and also those involved in custody issues. Ms. Colin is on the Board of Directors for the Law Guardian Association and the Board of EBCALA. She is a founding member of the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program - Justice Project.

Kim is a litigator in New York City, focusing on products liability, class actions, and insurance coverage disputes. In 2009 she was recognized by the Legal Aid Society for her pro bono service. In addition to being on the board of both EBCALA and the Center for Personal Rights. Kim is the President of the National Autism Association NY Metro Chapter. She also is a contributing editor and chapter author of *Vaccine Epidemic*.

NATHAN COOMBS, MED, AND RHONDA MORRIS

Autism and Medical Cannabis

This is two parents' personal perspectives on the use of medical cannabis for their children with autism and its effectiveness on symptoms such as seizures, anxiety, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, and pain. This is our holistic approach to treating the various symptoms of autism when conventional medications stopped yielding results.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Junior AB

Biographies: Nathan Coombs is the father of 4 children. The two oldest, ages 15 and 13, have autism, their diagnoses that inspired Coombs to enter the field of special education. He has been an educator for 10 years and is in a doctoral program in teaching and learning. He is also a co-owner of a medical cannabis collective, The Autism & Compassionate Care Connection, which specializes in cultivating strains of medical cannabis for individuals with autism who suffer from seizures, pain, anxiety, etc.

Rhonda Morris is the mother of two children with autism. Her daughter's diagnosis of autism prompted her to move into special education advocacy. Fifteen years later, when her daughter began having seizures triggered by autism, Morris became active in promoting medical cannabis for individuals with autism. She is a co-owner of a medical cannabis collective, The Autism Compassionate & Care Connection, which specializes in cultivating strains of medical cannabis organically.
<http://www.asdconnection.com>

KATHY DARROW

Connect, Care, Collaborate through Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)

ASD or NT, we want all of our children to connect with us, to continue building resilience, enjoy new challenges, collaborate, and thrive in their learning environments. We want them to seek out shared experiences and feel competent in building friendships. Join Kathy as she takes you through the model of typical development, demonstrating the remediation process through RDI, providing real-life, take-home strategies for that second chance to overcome the core of ASD that our kids deserve.

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Biography: Kathy Darrow has four children. She and her husband have heard the words "He has autism" twice. Both times she was given little hope for a positive prognosis. Now, 12 years later, her children are recovered from the core deficits of autism. She is no stranger to raising the bar, believing that all children deserve the second chance to address their core development. The passion that began with her own children continues with the families she works with. <http://www.autismremediation.com>

GEORGIA A. DAVIS, MD

Biotoxins and Autism

A genetically-susceptible subset of autistic children can suffer toxic injury to the brain and immune system not only as a result of exposure to heavy metals but also as a result of exposure to "biotoxins" such as indoor molds. These toxins activate the immune system, creating a chronic inflammatory response syndrome (CIRS). This lecture presents symptoms of CIRS, an online screening test and lab studies. Treatment amplifies the response to both biomedical and behavioral interventions.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Dr. Davis is a board certified integrative physician in private practice in Springfield, Illinois, specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of complex neuropsychimmunologic and endocrine conditions. She has been a DAN!-trained physician and has been mentored for over 10 years by Dr. Jacqueline McCandless, author of *Children with Starving Brains*. Dr. Davis' practice offers compassionate, comprehensive, integrative biomedical treatment to those on the autism spectrum who have not yet recovered fully. <http://www.drd411.com>

DORINNE DAVIS, MA

A Green Body Approach for ASD: Change the Body Naturally with Sound Therapy.

The Davis Model of Sound Intervention began as a way to use specific methods like AIT and Tomatis® and has become an integrative approach using the best methods to make core foundational energy change for the person on the autism spectrum. As each cell vibrates and emits sound, there is nothing more "green" than rebalancing what is naturally within us. Change occurs with improvements in sensory responsiveness, language learning, social communication, and overall thinking and development.

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Biography: Dorinne S. Davis, the president/founder of The Davis Center, Succasunna, NJ, has developed The Davis Model of Sound Intervention. She has authored five books and demonstrated the scientific principles behind the voice-ear-brain connection in *The Davis Addendum to The Tomatis Effect*. Dorinne established The Tree of Sound Enhancement Therapy® from which her Diagnostic Evaluation for Therapy Protocol (DETP®) provides the correct administration of any sound-based therapy. <http://www.thedaviscenter.com>

DENNIS DEBBAUDT AND STEPHEN M. SHORE, EDD

Autism, Law Enforcement & First Response Training: Autism Awareness and Roll Call Briefing Trainer

This comprehensive one-day training session provides the latest resources, materials, and information on persons with the developmental disability known as autism, autism spectrum disorders, or Asperger's syndrome. The unique challenges posed to police, fire, and paramedics will be discussed by Dennis Debbaudt, one of the leading public safety presenters on this topic.

<http://www.autismone.org/First-Responders-Autismone-Conference-2012>

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 9:00am - 3:30pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Since 1993, Dennis Debbaudt has authored or coauthored over 30 autism and safety-related articles and books including *Autism, Advocates and Law Enforcement Professionals* and articles for the *FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin*. Debbaudt's training videos are used by the Department of Homeland Security and law enforcement agencies throughout North America. Dennis has developed training for the NYPD and consulted and contributed to the Chicago PD's autism training block.

<http://www.autismriskmanagement.com>

THERESA DEISHER, PHD

Vaccine Manufacturing Practices and Residual Vaccine Contaminants

A trio of recent publications in *NEURON* reports the presence of hundreds of diverse de

novo gene mutations indicating that ASD may be a disease of genomic instability, with a significant environmental component. US birthyear change points in AD are apparent in 1980, 1988 and 1996, coinciding with the switch to or introduction of childhood vaccines contaminated with human endogenous retrovirus K (HERVK) and human fetal DNA fragments. HERVK and human fetal DNA contaminants could contribute to the genomic instability of ASD demonstrated by de novo mutations.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand F

Biography: Dr. Deisher obtained her PhD in cellular and molecular physiology from Stanford University and has spent over 20 years in commercial biotechnology, with companies including Genentech, Repligen, ZymoGenetics, Immunex, and Amgen, prior to founding AVM Biotechnology and Sound Choice Pharmaceutical Institute. Dr. Deisher is an inventor on 22 issued US patents, and her discoveries have led to clinical trials in osteoarthritis, cartilage repair, and surgical bleeding. Dr. Deisher was the first person to discover and patent adult cardiac derived pluripotent stem cells.

<http://www.soundchoice.org>

RICHARD C. DETH, PHD

Down Syndrome Trisomy 21: Understanding the Problem

Down syndrome (DS) results from an extra copy of chromosome 21, including a number of genes on this chromosome that affect antioxidant status and methylation capacity, especially in neurons. These two factors are critical for epigenetic regulation of neural development and are amenable to biomedical interventions. Dr. Deth will review the factors that contribute to trisomy, as well as the molecular implications of increased gene dosage for neurodevelopment and their relationship to metabolic treatment options.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 11:00am - 12:00pm - Room: Grand CD

Prenatal and Postnatal Epigenetic Programming (PreP and PEP): Implications for GI, Immune, and Neuronal Function in Autism

Oxidative stress and impaired methylation are implicated in causing autism, acting via their epigenetic influence over gene expression. However, fetal and postnatal development rely upon different nutritional resources, each presenting distinctive sources of risk. Dr. Deth will discuss the factors affecting PreP and PEP in the context of neurodevelopment, autoimmunity and gastrointestinal function, each of which contribute to autism spectrum disorders.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand E

Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain, and Immune System. Part I: General Principles (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

The ability to resist oxidation and to adapt to environmental stressors is fundamental to homeostasis, and sulfur metabolism provides the foundation for these abilities. Signaling molecules with the ability to change the redox state can exert a broad influence over cellular metabolism, including methylation-mediated epigenetic effects on gene transcription that can persist across the lifespan and even across generations. Conversely, environmental factors which interfere with redox signaling can disrupt its regulatory role, contributing to a number of disorders affecting almost every aspect of physiological function. This lecture will provide an overview of the cellular processes which regulate redox and methylation in the GI tract, the brain, and the immune system, illustrating similarities and cell type-specific differences.

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Redox and Methylation in the Gut, Brain and Immune System: Part II: Autism-specific Aspects (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

This lecture reviews the extensive evidence indicating the occurrence of oxidative stress, neuroinflammation, and impaired methylation in autism and related neurodevelopmental disorders. This evidence has assisted in identifying possible causal factors and treatment approaches, with therapeutic benefits for many, but not all, individuals. Autism highlights the critical relationship between the GI tract and neurological/immunological development, in which epigenetic regulation plays a key role.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 1:00pm - 1:55pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Dr. Richard Deth is Professor of Pharmacology in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, School of Pharmacy, Northeastern University. His recent research has focused on the roles of oxidative stress and impaired methylation in autism, ADHD and other neurological, neuropsychiatric, and neurodegenerative disorders.

ALEX DOMAN

Auditory Hypersensitivity and Autism Spectrum Disorders: A Treatable Condition

Many children diagnosed with ASD have auditory hypersensitivities. This talk describes auditory hypersensitivities, the systems involved, methods for evaluation, and treatment options including TLP Spectrum. These children have negative emotional reactions to sounds and to situations where the sounds are present. It is possible to desensitize these negative emotional reactions and reprogram the emotional memory system so the children are no longer frightened by or find sounds uncomfortable.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Alex Doman is founder and CEO of Advanced Brain Technologies, home of The Listening Program®. A bestselling author, producer, and public speaker, he focuses on sound, music, and technology and their capacity to improve sound brain fitness. Doman is author of *Healing at the Speed of Sound*®. He has written for *Autism Science Digest*, *Autism*

Asperger's Digest, and *SI Focus*. Alex has trained thousands of allied health, education, and music professionals in brain-based applications of sound and music.

<http://advancedbrain.com>

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Sunday at 10:00-10:30 in the lobby.

TONY EBEL, DC

The Perfect Storm

This workshop explores and explains the true causes of neurodevelopmental disorders such as autism, ADHD, seizures, and sensory integration disorder, with a specific emphasis on the role of the brain and central nervous system. The workshop will teach exactly how the brain and neurodevelopment are supposed to occur and where it goes wrong. It will provide attendees with direction of how to get their child's nervous system balanced and healthy again and, therefore, enhance and improve their child's function and development, no matter the disorder.

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 8:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Dr. Tony, as he is known, is a pediatric and wellness certified chiropractor, who specializes in neurodevelopmental disorders such as autism, ADHD, sensory integration disorder, seizures and other special needs cases. He has extensive education, experience, and passion in these areas, and has a large family practice in Crystal Lake, IL, serving this population as well as general family wellness. He holds post-doctorate certifications in pediatrics and wellness and also has hundreds of hours of continuing education and training in the former DAN! protocol as well as through the Intersect4Kids program focusing on children with spectrum disorders. His practice focuses on ensuring each child has a healthy, optimally functioning nervous system that is supported by the foundations of eating, moving, and thinking well. <http://www.premierwellnesschiro.com/>

MAYER EISENSTEIN, MD, JD, MPH

More Vitamin D, No Vaccines, Virtually No Autism

While vaccine proponents claim that the benefits of childhood vaccination are undeniable, vaccine opponents hold that the incidence of autism, diabetes, and other chronic immune and neurological dysfunction in children has increased dramatically in the last 30 years. This stresses the difficulty in making an informed decision on whether to vaccinate or not. Can Vitamin D improve the symptoms of autism? I will present case studies that exemplify the effect of Vitamin D3 in treating autism.

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Biography: Dr. Eisenstein graduated from the Univ. of Illinois Medical School, the Medical College of Wisconsin School of Public Health, and the John Marshall Law School. His practice, Homefirst® Health Services, has delivered over 15,000 babies at home and cared for over 35,000 unvaccinated children: None have autism. He is board certified by the American Board of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, the American Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Physicians, and is a member of the Illinois Bar. <http://www.homefirst.com>

LISA ELKINS

Cleansing Your Home with Green Building and Interior Design

Your home is your sanctuary, yet many building products and furniture contain harmful chemicals that taint air quality in your home. In this hour, you'll learn about the latest trends in green building and see products and materials that you can incorporate in your home design. You'll also walk away with proactive steps for any budget that will get your home cleaner and safer for your family.

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 9:00pm - 10:00pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Lisa Elkins is a licensed architect and LEED Accredited Professional with more than 12 years of architectural experience in Chicago, San Francisco, and London. She is the founder of 2 Point Perspective, an eco-architectural and interiors firm, which works in both the residential and commercial sectors. Lisa's passion for sustainable and healthy design has been a driving force in the development of 2 Point. Currently a large majority of their clientele seeks them out due to their knowledge of all things green. Lisa has also worked as a furniture designer and an architectural writer, and she has taught architectural design at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She received her Master of Architectural Design degree from The Bartlett School of Architecture, University College London, which was preceded by a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Ball State University.

SUSAN ELLIS

Visual Strategies 101: From Picture Cards to Video Modeling—a Broad Spectrum of Techniques to Help Your Child with Autism Succeed

Visuals are a key to communicating with our children on the spectrum! Learn traditional methods as well as new apps for effective ways to help children with ASD in comprehension, transitions, skill acquisition, behaviors, and more. Discover effective strategies utilizing pictures, schedules, social stories, video modeling, and supplementing school curriculum. Brain scan studies and many research projects on visual reliance will also be discussed throughout the presentation.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Susan Ellis is an avid user of visual strategies, successfully utilizing them for many years with her two sons who are both on the autism spectrum. Ellis cofounded The TV Teacher in 2005, which produces award-winning handwriting programs using video modeling. She has been interviewed on television and radio and written magazine articles. Susan lectures nationally on the power of visuals and video modeling for children with special needs. <http://www.thetvteacher.com>

REBECCA ESTEPP

Roundtable—How to Use Local Media to Influence Public Opinion & Shape the Debate on Autism

Now is the time for parents to educate the public about the crucial issues surrounding autism. Speaking to the local media is easy if you are prepared. Come to this roundtable discussion to learn tips on how to become a "source" and develop a relationship with reporters.

To change public opinion and shape the debate around autism, we need many voices speaking all over the country.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand F

Biography: Becky Estep is the mother to a teenager with autism. She has been leading the San Diego chapter of TACA since 2003. Becky is the director of communications for the Elizabeth Birt Center for Autism Law and Advocacy (EBCALA.) She has worked extensively with the press on issues related to autism and vaccine safety. Becky has appeared in such media outlets as *Good Morning America*, ABC's *World News Tonight*, *Wall Street Journal*, *FOX and Friends*, *New York Times*, *CNN*, *USA Today*, *HD Net TV*, and *NPR*.

SYDNEY FINEGOLD, MD

Review of Studies on the Role of Microbes in Late Onset Autism

There is often immunologic susceptibility to autism, either genetic or related to environmental toxins. Two of the most important factors that lead to ingrowth or overgrowth of potential pathogens are diet and exposure to antimicrobial agents. This presentation will review a variety of organisms under consideration, found in stool and mucosal biopsies; and viral or bacterial infections during pregnancy. Improvement has been noted with various antimicrobial agents.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Dr. Sydney Finegold is a globally respected microbiologist with more than 50 years of research in intestinal microorganisms. He is chief of the Anaerobic Bacteria Laboratory at UCLA. Dr. Finegold was recently honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award for his exhaustive work in the field of research at the Veterans Administration in West Los Angeles. He is currently looking at the role of bacteria in finding the cause of autism.

PATRICK FLYNN, NMD, ND, DC

What Does My Child Need—Don't Guess, Test!: Where to Start and Where to Go

Are you overwhelmed? So how does a parent sift through all this information and get to the root cause of their child's disorder? Don't guess about what steps to take first—TEST! Dr. Flynn will explain how to use testing to appropriately get to the source of your child's health issues. Dr. Flynn's main focus will be addressing the neurological, endocrine, digestive, and immune connection and the appropriate protocols used to address those systems.

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 3:00pm - 5:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Dr. Patrick Flynn, NMD, ND, DC, is a naturopathic and chiropractic physician who speaks on topics such as functional medicine, hormone and digestive disorders, autism spectrum disorders, and detoxification. He is the founder and director of The Wellness Way, and his passion lies in helping children on the autism spectrum recover every day in his office and across the country. His clinics offer a unique biomedical approach. Dr. Flynn is a dedicated doctor and persistent health educator.

WENDY FOURNIER

Wandering: Keeping Our Loved Ones Safe

Incidents of missing children and wandering-related deaths are being reported in the news with frightening frequency. Drowning deaths associated with autism elopement remain a leading cause of fatalities among children and adults on the autism spectrum. This presentation will discuss recently published data on wandering and its effects on the family, lessons learned from case studies, implementation of prevention strategies at home and school, and resources for caregivers.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Wendy is a founding board member and president of the National Autism Association. She is committed to changing the perspective of autism from what was once considered a mysterious mental illness to a biologically definable and treatable medical disorder. She speaks at conferences throughout the US, currently serves on the RI State Commission on the education of children with autism, and as a reviewer for the US Department of Defense Autism Research Program.

RICHARD FRYE, MD, PHD**Neurological Abnormalities in Autism (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)**

Children with autism have been found to have many neurological abnormalities including differences in brain function, structure and connectivity, neurotransmitter and metabolic abnormalities, and electrical disturbances in the brain including seizures. This talk will review some of the important aspects of these neurological abnormalities and their treatments.

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Seizures in Autism

A New National Survey on Treatments: Approximately 25% of children and adults with autism have seizures, and another 50% may have subclinical seizures that are often undetected but may affect their intellectual functioning. This presentation will briefly review the causes and consequences of seizures in autism. The new results of a national survey of treatment of over 700 children and adults with seizures and autism will be presented. A comparison of the benefits and possible side effects of many medical, dietary, and nutritional treatments will be presented.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Richard Frye, MD, PhD, is the director of autism research and associate professor of pediatrics at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. He specializes in pediatric neurology disorders, including learning disabilities and dyslexia, autism, speech and language delay, attention deficit, tics and Tourette's syndrome, sleep disorders, and epileptic encephalopathy. Dr. Frye is board certified in pediatrics and neurology and completed fellowships in behavioral neurology and psychology.

DOUG GALE, MA**Remembering the One**

ScenicView Academy is a school for adults with learning disabilities. Our mission is to help individuals diagnosed with autism, Asperger's, ADHD, executive functioning deficits, dyslexia, dyscalculia or dysgraphia and other learning disabilities gain skills that lead to independent and fulfilling lives. We do this through case management, clinical services, education, employment, health/fitness, and recreational therapy. Through our residential or daytime programming, students learn about their disabilities and how to accommodate for them. ScenicView Academy provides the safe environment necessary for students with learning disabilities to help gain knowledge and confidence in the path that lies before them. This presentation will focus on explaining how a student progresses through the outlined program components.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:10pm - Room: Cypress

Biography: Doug graduated from the University of Utah with a Master of Social Work and is an LCSW. He has worked extensively helping adults with special needs succeed. He delights in developing unique problem-solving approaches, program development, and helping the "one". He enjoys working, gardening, fishing, golfing and spending time with his four grandchildren.

MARK R. GEIER, MD, PHD, AND DAVID A. GEIER**The Biological Basis of Autism: Causation and Treatment**

Important new information will be presented showing how environmental exposures, particularly mercury, are associated with autism and how targeted therapies, particularly hormonal dysfunction treatment, can improve clinical outcomes in autism.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biographies: Dr. Mark Geier has an MD and PhD in genetics. He has evaluated/treated more than 1,000 patients diagnosed with autism and published more than 100 peer-reviewed scientific/medical studies.

David Geier has a BA in biology and was a member of Maryland's Autism Commission. He has published over 60 peer-reviewed scientific/medical studies and made presentations at prestigious international conferences.

<http://www.autismtreatmentclinics.com>

DAVID GESLAK, CSCS**The Power of Exercise: Effective Programming for Individuals with Autism**

Exercise programs are one of the most under-utilized treatments for children and adults with autism spectrum disorders. David will educate you on the importance of structure, visual, tactile, and sensory supports and how to set up an individual and group exercise program. The exercises you will learn have been implemented in homes, schools, and autism centers across the world. Be ready to move, learn, and leave with exercises that you can do with your child or the children you work with tomorrow!

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: David Geslak, BS, CSCS, ACSM-HFS, has been developing exercise programs for individuals on the autism spectrum since 2004. He is the author of two books on autism fitness and produced a DVD to help educate parents and professionals about the benefits of exercise. He is a former fitness coordinator for a school for children with autism and has traveled across the world presenting on exercise for individuals with autism.

BENJAMIN GESUNDHEIT, MD, PHD (VIA WEBCAST)**FEATURED SPEAKER: Mesenchymal Stem Cell Treatment for ASDs: The Therapeutic Rational and its Future Potential**

Following the Witebsky-Rose criteria, we aim to test the hypothesis of ASD as an autoimmune disease. Evidence for the presence of specific immune markers, and the presence of a family history of autoimmune diseases, points to the possibility of an autoimmune etiology. Due to the potent anti-inflammatory, immunomodulatory, and regenerative capacities of mesenchymal stromal stem cells (MSC) and the cumulative clinical experience confirming the safety and efficacy of MSC treatment for various clinical conditions, MSC might open new therapeutic horizons for children with ASD.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand E-J

Biography: Benjamin Gesundheit, MD, PhD, is a pediatric hematologist oncologist with experience in bone marrow transplantation and experimental cell therapy. He has been affiliated with Hospital for Sick Children at University of Toronto, Hadassah Medical Center, and Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has lectured and published internationally on topics related to pediatric hematology-oncology, autism, and medical ethics. Currently, he focuses on the potential use of MSC for ASD.

ZACK GONZALEZ**Student Scholars: Autism—A Sibling's Perspective**

Zack will share his experiences living with his autistic brother Ethan. Using his witty personality and brash sense of humor, Zack will bring light to the subject of autism and share his story: from finding out about autism, to accepting autism, to becoming an activist and getting his first book published at the shy age of fifteen. Get ready, because you're in for a real treat!

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 2:30pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Zack is an American comedian, critically acclaimed author of three books, and internationally-known autism activist. He created the Play Now for Autism and Laugh Now for Autism event chains in honor of his younger brother with autism, Ethan ("Deets"). The activist hosts his own web show, *it's on with Zack*. He is currently on a stand-up comedy tour and resides in Los Angeles, CA. Oh yeah, and he's only 18!

<http://www.justplainzack.com>

LENNY G. GONZALEZ, MD**Gastrointestinal Pathology in Autism Spectrum Disorders: The Venezuelan Experience**

Physical symptoms in ASD children are often misinterpreted as just autistic behaviors. In our experience, symptoms of what turns out to be GI distress often present as inexplicable irritability, aggressive or auto-aggressive (self-injurious) behaviors, discomfort, sleep disorders, and other behavioral disturbances.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Lenny Gonzalez MD, pediatric gastroenterologist, is a member of the staff of SOVENIA (Venezuelan Society of Autistic Children). She specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of GI pathology in autistic children and developmental delays. She has been involved in research in collaboration with Dr. Andrew Wakefield and Dr. Arthur Krigsman, investigating the histological findings of gastrointestinal mucosa of these patients.

CHERYL GREEN, ESQ. AND ANDI DURKIN**The Future: Choose Your Own Adventure (Down syndrome track)**

Sessions end with each parent's exciting new journey before her or him. Cheryl Greene will share her time-saving strategies to help parents fit everything in their busy schedules. Andi Durkin will unveil great new resources to support parents as they explore and implement OPTIONS for healthier children, including a new foundation and website with access to a parent database. The floor will open for questions and answers.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Room: Grand CD

Biographies: Cheryl Green is a mom, attorney and professional advocate on behalf of her 12-year-old daughter with Down syndrome. Since the birth of her daughter in 1999, she has devoted her time and energy to researching and educating medical professionals and parents on the importance of physiology as the basis of wellness in the Down syndrome population.

Andi Durkin is an award-nominated blogger of *Down Syndrome: A Day to Day Guide*. She is an advocate and parent to a thriving toddler with Down syndrome. She is also an artist and writer with a background in marketing and communication.

<http://dsdaytoday.blogspot.com/p/welcome-to-ds-day-to-day-guide.html>

CINDY GRIFFIN, DSH-P, DIHOM, FBIH, BCIH, DCNT AND**LINDYL LANHAM, DSH-P, BCIH, DCNT****Shining the Light on Sequential Homeopathy: Essential Tools for Recovery and True Healing**

If you seek hope, this is a must-see for both newcomers and veterans to the topics of homeopathy and ASDs. Homeopathy Center of Houston's founders compare forms

of homeopathy, tracing the development of the Houston Homeopathy Method, the only homeopathic method applied to the biomedical model of autism. Life-changing improvements in speech, cognition, sensory issues, aggression, toilet training, sleep, pain, and more – including full recoveries – will be demonstrated through case narratives.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand E

Biographies: Cindy L. Griffin, DSH-P, DIHom., FBIH, BCIH, DCNT, has been a professional homeopath for 13 years and is co-owner of Homeopathy Center of Houston. An annual speaker at AutismOne, she has spoken at national and international conferences on homeopathy for autism. Her son is fully recovered from Asperger's syndrome. Cindy is a Fellow of British Institute of Homeopathy, Diplomate of the College of Natural Therapies, and board certified in integrative health by the AAIM (US).

Lindyl Lanham, DSH-P, BCIH, DCNT, has been a professional homeopath for 10 years and is co-owner of Homeopathy Center of Houston. She has spoken at national and international conferences on homeopathy for autism, speaking annually at AutismOne. Her younger son is 95% recovered from the symptoms of Tourette's. She holds the Diploma of Sequential Homeopathy-Practitioner, is a Diplomate of the College of Natural Therapies, and is board certified in integrative health by AAIM.

CINDY L. GRIFFIN, DSH-P, DIHOM, FBIH, BCIH, DCNT; LINDYL LANHAM, DSH-P, BCIH, DCNT; JULIANNE ADAMS, DSH-P, BCIH, NST-CP; JENICE L. STEBEL, DSH-P, DIHOM, BCIH; LYNN ROSE DEMARTINI, DSH-P, RN, HN-BC, LMT, BCIH, DCN

Houston Homeopathy Method Parent Roundtable

This open, informal roundtable will allow those interested in learning more about the Houston Homeopathy Method for their children to hear directly from parents who currently or previously work(ed) with the Homeopathy Center of Houston homeopaths about their experiences. The interactive forum will be moderated by HCH practitioners and will allow parents' questions to be answered not only by the homeopaths but by the parents who have used the method for their children's health and behavioral improvements.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 7:30pm - 9:00pm - Room: Grand E

Biographies: Julianne Adams, DSH-P, BCIH, BA(Psych), NST-CP, has practiced homeopathy since 2001, and joined Homeopathy Center of Houston in 2005 as a professional homeopath. She is also a certified practitioner of Neurostructural Integration Technique. Julianne extended her training through the network formerly known as Defeat Autism Now!(R) and has studied with Thomas Rau at Paracelsus Biological Medicine Network Trainings since 2006. She is board certified in integrative health through the AAIM.

Jenice L.Stebel, DSH-P, DIHom., BCIH, began studying homeopathy 15 years ago, completing her diploma from the British Institute of Homeopathy before receiving the Diploma of Sequential Homeopathy-Practitioner in 2007, and joining Homeopathy Center of Houston. Jenice has attended practitioner trainings through the network formerly known as Defeat Autism Now!(R). Many of her clients have recovered or are on their way to full recovery from autism. Jenice is board certified in integrative medicine by AAIM.

Lynn Rose Demartini, DSH-P, RN, HN-BC, LMT, BCIH, DCN, is a professional sequential homeopath and joined Homeopathy Center of Houston in 2008. She is a registered nurse, licensed massage therapist, and holds several certifications and diplomas in holistic nursing. She has contributed a great deal from her vast experience and training to the Houston Homeopathy Method for autism. She is board certified in integrative health and is a Diplomate of the College of Nursing through AAIM.
<http://www.homeopathyhouston.com>

MARTHA HERBERT, PHD, MD

A Pathophysiological Approach to Brain Issues in Autism (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

How do whole-body issues affect the brain in autism? Documentation of cellular-level inflammatory and oxidative stress changes in the brain still leaves open specifically how these changes translate into altered thinking and behaviors. This lecture will review the components of the brain's physical infrastructure, how they interface with the brain's signaling mechanisms, how pathophysiology in autism may alter this interface, relevant research methods and frontiers, and treatment implications.

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Mainstreaming Biomed: Why and How

Integrative biomedical approaches to autism and other chronic illnesses are generally not available from mainstream healthcare providers. This is costly – both to individuals paying out of pocket and to society, which is suffering a huge lifelong burden of needless illness. Protecting and regenerating health appears to be the task of those of us who grasp the problems and possibilities. How do we move beyond reductionism to create transformational systems of science-grounded healing practices?

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand F-J

AutismWHYandHOW: A Web Resource for Informed Reflective Discourse and Higher Synthesis of Autism's Complexity

AutismWHYandHOW is a companion website to *The Autism Revolution* book addressing the assumptions, rationales, bodies of literature, and gaps in the many answers to three core

questions: What is Autism, What Causes Autism, and How Can We Help. It aims to support reflective discourse toward a higher synthesis of autism's complexity through grasping the integrity and limits of insights from each vantage point. I will demonstrate the website, convey its spirit of inquiry, and invite participation.

<http://www.autismWHYandHOW.org>

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Martha Herbert is a pediatric neurologist and researcher at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School and the Harvard-MIT-HST-Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging. Her TRANSCEND Research Program uses advanced brain imaging techniques and biomarkers to look at the relationship of metabolism, perfusion, and brain function, and at brain change with treatment. Her whole baby infant project studies how brain and physiology problems co-emerge starting prenatally and in early infancy. <http://www.autismrevolution.org>

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Saturday at 10:00-10:30 in Grand F-J.

MARTHA HERBERT, PHD, MD AND ANAT BANIEL

Linking Powerful Pathways to Harness the Remarkable Potential of the Brain of the Child on the Autism Spectrum

In this panel you'll learn about the powerful potential of the brain of the child with autism to heal itself. Bridging their dynamic, cutting-edge approaches, the speakers will dance between biomedical ways the brain can repair itself and practical, neuroscience-based tools that awaken the brain and elevate it to self-organize and move from the seemingly impossible to the transformational. Experience through brief transformational movement lessons your own brain, body, and mind change.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand F-J

THESE SPEAKERS HAVE BOOK SIGNINGS on Saturday at 10:00-10:30 in Grand F-J.

BETSY HICKS

Fermentation: Fast Steps to Friendly Fecal Flora

Eighty percent of your immune system stems from the flora in your gut. Balanced flora, with an ample supply of probiotics, is the essential foundation for all other autism treatments. Simply taking a probiotic supplement may not be enough. Betsy will explore the vast array of fermented and cultured foods available on the market as well as many you can make in your home. As the author of *Picky Eating Solutions*, Betsy's tips will help introduce these foods into your finicky eater's diet.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand E

Biography: President of Elementals Living holistic wellness center, Betsy is an internationally known author, radio host, and speaker. As the mother of an 18-year-old son with autism, Betsy's passion is to help parents find creative and practical techniques to overcome their children's challenging eating habits. Her book *Picky Eating Solutions* gently instructs parents and serves as a guide for everyone on how to eat well for a lifetime of health, wellness, and joy. <http://www.elementalsliving.com>

JOHN H. HICKS, MD

Biofilms, Bugs, and Bowels: Rebalancing Your Child's Gut

Biofilms are collections of organisms working together to survive and thrive within a host environment. Healthy, beneficial bacteria living within our intestines organize into a biofilm to support their survival as well as ours. Additionally, biofilms can be formed by pathogenic microorganisms and create both illness and disease. Biofilms are resistant to antibiotics, and so effective treatment lies within other forms of therapy and are best treated through probiotics.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Renowned medical doctor and pediatrician Dr. John H. Hicks has worked closely with the autism community using a holistic and integrated approach. He incorporates medical, nutritional, emotional, and vibrational customized treatment plans for each of his clients. Dr. Hicks is a frequent contributor to *Autism Science Digest* magazine, *VoiceAmerica* radio, and will be featured in the next edition of *Cutting-Edge Therapies for Autism*.
<http://www.elementalsliving.com>

SONJA HINTZ, RN, AND LINDA BETZOLD

When Biomed Parents Meet Mainstream Physicians

Often, mainstream physicians evaluating a child with ASD see behaviors as symptoms of the "autism." Parents recognize these behaviors as clues to the child's health status. Complex medical issues require parents to manage care across specialties: gastroenterology, neurology, and primary care. We'll discuss the art of "medical" communication and how to navigate ER visits, dental work, anesthesia, and more. Resources provided will empower parents to advocate effectively within mainstream medicine.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Junior AB

Biographies: Sonja Hintz, RN, graduated from Marquette Nursing School in 1988. Currently, she is working at True Health Medical Center with Dr. Anju Usman. With the birth

of her second child, Sonja was compelled to reevaluate her traditionally based medical paradigms to meet the needs of her son, who was on the autism spectrum by the age of three. Through the use of a therapeutic diet, biomedical treatment, along with other therapies, he has made a recovery.

Linda Betzold's 16-year-old son Beau is severely affected by autism. He also suffers with many of the medical conditions associated with ASD, including inflammatory bowel disease, profound constipation, GERD, immune deficiency, and migraine headaches. Linda volunteers as one of the Illinois Coordinators for TACA, Talk About Curing Autism. She completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts Northern Illinois University and worked as a graphic designer before her children were born.

MARY HOLLAND, ESQ.

Introduction to Law Day

Mary Holland, managing director of EBCALA, will highlight EBCALA's achievements over the past year. She will also outline the many legal challenges that autism families face and will preview the day's line-up of terrific speakers who address them.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 9:00am - 9:15am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Mary is director of the Elizabeth Birt Center for Autism Law and Advocacy and a board member of the Center for Personal Rights. She is a Research Scholar at NYU Law School and previously practiced at major international law firms and worked for an international human rights organization. She researches and writes on legal issues related to autism and to vaccination and is the legal editor for the *Autism File* magazine.

HARRY HONG, PHD, LAC

Holistic Approach to Autism with Allergy and Sensitivities

Many autistic children are sensitive kids. Due to that sensitive nature, the body doesn't respond well to common detoxification therapies. Autism and sensitivity-related illnesses share a common pathogenesis: dysfunctional immune system. In his talk, Dr. Hong reviews current studies on controlling mechanisms of immune dysfunction and discusses his experience on treating autistic children with sensitivities using a holistic program of Chinese medicine, homeopathy, and other natural therapies.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Dr. Harry Hong was originally trained with Chinese medicine in China and received his master and doctoral degrees in biomedical science in the States. He has been practicing holistic medicine in the Chicago area for many years. Dr. Hong specializes in treating allergies, asthma, autism, autoimmune diseases, and sensitivity-related illnesses with a holistic non-invasive program including energetic testing, Chinese medicine, homeopathy, allergy desensitization, and nutritional supplementation. www.highlysensitivebody.com

BRIAN S. HOOKER, PHD, PE; TIM BOLEN; AND ROBERT REEVES, ESQ.

FOIA Exposes CDC Lied Claiming Mercury in Vaccines is Safe

In 2004, Dr. Brian Hooker started demanding documents from the CDC regarding thimerosal and autism via FOIA. The documents revealed that the CDC colluded with scientists to lie about the causal relationship between thimerosal/mercury in vaccines and autism. Because the CDC is withholding hundreds of relevant documents, Dr. Hooker, with attorney Robert Reeves, are in federal court to compel the CDC to release the information. Tim Bolen is helping with strategy and publicizing this atrocity in his *Bolen Report*.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Lilacs

Biographies: Dr. Brian Hooker has over 20 years of experience in biotechnology and has advocated for the removal of mercury in vaccinations since 2004. He has a 13-year-old son with autism.

Tim Bolen is a crisis management consultant and a health advocate. His company, JuriMed Public Relations & Research Group, specializes in the problems of cutting-edge health professionals. In his popular *Millions of Health Freedom Fighters-Newsletter*, he examines why American health systems are so poor. Bolen has testified in state and federal courts and is considered an expert in the politics of health care in North America.

Robert Reeves has been involved in litigation involving vaccines and autism in Washington, DC, for the last year. He currently is litigating against the FDA over their failure to require proof of safety for vaccines and the Centers for Disease Control's failure to provide documents as required by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Reeves has been raising issues regarding both mercury fillings vs. FDA and health freedom issues generally for many years. Jim Turner is DC local counsel.

DEVIN HOUSTON, PHD

Enzymes and Autism: Gut Health, Diet and Nutritional Balance

An increased understanding of the gut's role in nutrition, immunity, and overall health has emphasized the importance of digestive function. Enzyme supplements can add another level of benefit, along with the diet. Proper understanding of enzymes and their function can provide valuable help in addressing specific food intolerances. This lecture will illustrate how

plant-based enzymes work, how they are dosed, and how to select the appropriate type of enzyme for individual dietary needs.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Dr. Houston received his doctorate in biochemistry from the University of South Alabama College of Medicine. The focus of his graduate work was enzyme characterization and purification. His post-doctoral work at Virginia and St. Louis University focused on signal transduction mechanisms in neurobiological systems and resulted in several peer-reviewed publications. He was director of R&D at a major enzyme manufacturer prior to starting his own company, Houston Enzymes, in 2001.

<http://www.houston-enzymes.com>

HELEN L. IRLIN, MA, LMFT

A Sensory Intervention Using Precision Colored Filters

This presentation provides information on how a brain-based intervention can reduce sensory overload, enabling the brain to process visual information, resulting in improvements in behavior, social interaction, and communication. Visual processing deficits impose limitations on functioning. Simple environmental modifications for the home and the classroom will be provided. Minimizing sensory bombardment should be an essential intervention and part of the treatment program for many with ASD.

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Biography: Helen Irlin is the leading expert in visual processing difficulties affecting perception, reading, learning, attention, behavior, communication, and performance. She is an international speaker and creator of the Irlin Method. She is a school psychologist, licensed therapist, and executive director of the Irlin Institute with 148 clinics in 54 countries. She is the author of *Reading by the Colors* and *The Irlin Revolution: A Guide to Changing Your Perception and Your Life*.

<http://www.irlin.com>

LAURETTE JANAK

Why Talk about Down Syndrome (DS) at an Autism Conference?

Children with DS have a much higher occurrence of autism. This presentation will offer insight into autism by exploring the biology of DS. Topics include: gene overexpression defined and how this may contribute to autism risk, similarities of health histories in DS and autism families, and data showing that children with DS may be more prone to adverse reactions to vaccines. Woven into the discussion will be the valid scientific reasons for using biomedical treatment in DS.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 9:00am - 9:55am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Laurette is a parent-researcher and mother of a child with ASD and Down syndrome. She helped coordinate a study on metabolic biomarkers and impaired methylation capacity in children with autism, published in the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* in 2004. Laurette has been a yearly presenter at the AutismOne conference since 2007 as well as presenting at Autism Canada for the past two years. She is on the editorial board and a writing contributor to the magazine *Autism Science Digest*.

YI JIN, MD

FEATURED SPEAKER: EEG-guided rTMS in Autism Spectrum Disorder—An Open Label Study

Nineteen subjects with ASD were treated with rTMS. Treatment was provided 5 days a week for 5 weeks. Results showed that 42% of subjects responded. Corresponding to the clinical improvement, most responders demonstrated significant improvement in EEG alpha synchronization. The present study supports the hypothesis that the ASD syndrome is a clinical manifestation of the brain deficit of anxiety, which should be the primary focus of treatment.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Dr. Jin has been engaged in neuroscience research at the University of California, Irvine for 25 years. One of his studies involves the brain physiology and treatment of autism. In addition to his academic work, Dr. Jin has cofounded two companies, NeoSync, Inc. and Newport Brain Research Laboratory. NeoSync manufactures portable neural stimulation equipment. Brain Lab is a psychiatric clinic using EEG and TMS to assist clinical diagnosis and treatment for ASD and other mental diagnoses. <http://www.brainTreatmentcenter.com/autism>

PAMELA JOHNSON, DDS, MS, PC; AND PATRICIA GANNON, DDS, MS

Pediatric Dentistry, Orthodontics, and Autism

This combined presentation will address general dental and orthodontic treatment ideas, concerns, and strategies for the child with autism. General oral health issues, specific dental/orthodontic concerns, access to care, resources to find care, and what to expect in the pediatric/orthodontic practices, behavior management strategies, treatment strategies, and adaptive techniques used will be covered. Numerous case studies will be included in this presentation.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand E

Biographies: Dr. Pamela Johnson is a board certified orthodontist who has been in private practice for 21 years. She obtained her BS and DDS degrees from Marquette University and her MS degree and orthodontic specialty license from the University of Illinois-Chicago. She has been a guest lecturer at AutismOne, Special Care Dentistry Assoc., Northern Illinois Dental Study Club, and UIC Dental School.

Dr. Patricia Gannon is a pediatric dentist practicing in Orland Park, IL. She received her DDS from Loyola University School of Dentistry and her specialty training and Master of Pediatric Dentistry from the University of Illinois-Chicago. The practice has treated special needs patients for over 20 years. The doctors are continually updating their education and skills to stay current on children dealing with autism spectrum disorders.
<http://www.johnsonworldofsmiles.com>

KAREN KAIN

Building Mainstream Relationships for Unique Children

Family advocate Karen Kain is CEO of Lorrin's World. She shares her 15 years of raising her daughter Lorrin, who was blind, nonverbal, and a quadriplegic with a seizure disorder. Lorrin lived a full life: friends, slumber parties, concerts, Girl Scouts, and travel. She swam with dolphins, participated in the school play, and she and her canine companion won first place in a dance contest. Karen discusses how she set goals, got creative, and made a decision to live a life without boundaries.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Karen's daughter, Lorrin, was injured by her DPT vaccine in 1994. Lorrin was only six weeks old and her body was severely affected, leaving her with an uncontrolled seizure disorder. Lorrin lived for 15 years in a body that most people saw as tragic. Her spirit shone beyond her physical body and Karen became a student in a journey of life and love. Karen speaks around the US, sharing her experience and reminding families to be in the moment and enjoy their children, no matter their abilities.

<http://www.Lorrinsworld.com>

GABRIELLE KAPLAN-MAYER

Cooking to Boost Developmental Skills

Cooking can help parents and children build connection and communication. In this workshop, we'll explore ways to frame the cooking experience to be successful for children of all abilities and teach how cooking can help children work on fine and gross motor skills, communication, language, literacy, math, sensory integration, and, most importantly, relationship building. Author of *The Kitchen Classroom*, Gabrielle Kaplan-Mayer shares strategies that she uses with her children.

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Biography: Gabrielle Kaplan-Mayer is the author of *The Kitchen Classroom* and blogs about healthy GFCFSF cooking at www.kitchenclassroom4kids.com. She teaches inclusive cooking classes and workshops for Special Olympics, Friendship Circle, and coaches parents worldwide through Skype on cooking with their kids. She has two children, including a son who has autism. Gabrielle blogs for Generation Rescue, Squag.com, and Celiac Central. Watch her "Kitchen Classroom Quick Tips" videos on the AutismOne website. <http://www.kitchenclassroom4kids.com>

JERRY J. KARTZINEL, MD

Mending Autism

Dr. Jerry Kartzinel, board certified pediatrician and *New York Times* best-selling author, will present many of the concurrent medical and treatable problems that affect children diagnosed with autism. He will also present the keys to manage complex issues, including recurrent illness; sleep disruptions; problems with speech, focus, and concentration; and bowel problems such as constipation, diarrhea, and inflammatory bowel disease.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Jerry Kartzinel, MD, is a pediatrician and specializes in the recovery of neuro-developmental, inflammatory diseases, and hormonal dysfunctions. He is a nationally recognized speaker and *New York Times* best-selling author. He will present medical interventions that work to improve the lives of patients who suffer from medical conditions including autism, allergies, inflammatory bowel disease, chronic constipation, chronic diarrhea, sleep cycle disruptions, and hormonal imbalances. www.drjerryk.com

SANDOR ELLIX KATZ

FEATURED SPEAKER: Fermentation Basics

Learn simple and safe techniques for fermenting vegetables and live-culture soft drinks so that you can prepare these healing probiotic foods and beverages with confidence at home. In our bacteria-phobic culture, people often approach these foods with fear, worrying that they may accidentally be growing bacteria that could make their families sick. This workshop will demystify and explain the process. There will be ample opportunity to answer any questions you may have.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 8:00am - 12:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 1:00pm - 5:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Sandor Ellix Katz is a self-taught fermentation experimentalist. Since the 2003 publication of his book, *Wild Fermentation: The Flavor, Nutrition, and Craft of Live-Culture Foods*, Katz has taught hundreds of fermentation workshops across North America and beyond, taking on a role he describes as a "fermentation revivalist." Newsweek called *Wild Fermentation* "the fermenting bible." His new book, *The Art of Fermentation*, is due out in June. <http://www.wildfermentation.com>

RAUN K. KAUFMAN AND KIM KORPADY

Autism Intel: Breakthrough Strategies from a Man Who Used to Be Autistic

With humor and inspiration, Mr. Kaufman will recount his own story of recovery and provide some crucial, yet often-overlooked aspects of autism and its treatment. His lecture details innovative techniques from The Son-Rise Program® that you can use immediately to help your child: move beyond stimming (without your stopping or discouraging your child's behavior), learn new skills (without your having to push or pressure), and, most especially, to form meaningful, caring relationships with others.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Lilacs

Biographies: Raun K. Kaufman, last year's winner of AutismOne's "Best Presenter" award, is the former CEO of the Autism Treatment Center of America. He also possesses a distinctive qualification: his history as someone who fully recovered from severe autism. A graduate of the Ivy League's Brown University, with a degree in biomedical ethics, Mr. Kaufman co-hosts the radio show: *Raun & Kristin: Bringing Hope Into Your Home* and has just completed a book detailing autism breakthrough strategies for parents.

Kim Korpady has worked with hundreds of children on the autism spectrum from around the world, across all age ranges and skill levels. With her extensive Son-Rise Program® training and qualification, she brings a great depth of skill and experience to the children and parents with whom she works. She has lectured at locations throughout the U.S., where parents especially appreciate her warmth, sincerity, playfulness, and ability to make concepts and techniques easily understood. <http://www.autismtreatment.org>

RAPHAEL KELLMAN, MD

The Thyroid Autism Connection

Dr. Kellman will discuss his groundbreaking discovery that a large percentage of children with autism have an underactive thyroid that is frequently missed by routine tests. Dr. Kellman will show that the proper use of thyroid hormone guided by the results of the TRH test is the most effective treatment for autism.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Room: Grand F

Biography: Dr. Kellman is a graduate of Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He is an internist and a pioneer in holistic medicine. Dr. Kellman is the author of two books: *Gut Reactions* and *Matrix Healing*. He has practiced in New York City since 1995. Dr. Kellman treats many children with autism and neurodevelopmental disorders.

<http://www.raphaelkellmanmd.com>

JANET K. KERN, PHD

Overview of the Recent Research on Susceptibility, Toxicity, Brain Inflammation, Brain Connectivity, and Regression and Immunizations in ASD

This talk will discuss (1) blood and urinary biomarkers of susceptibility, toxicity, and oxidative stress in ASD from recent collaborative studies, with an emphasis on the clinically available lab testing; (2) some evidenced-based treatments; (3) the latest information on brain inflammation in ASD and the role of mercury in the brain's immune system activation, brain inflammation, and brain connectivity; and (4) the results of a recent study of parental reports on regression and immunizations.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Dr. Kern is a neuroscientist who has been conducting research in ASD for 16 years and has 36 peer-reviewed scientific research publications. The main focus of her research is in biomarkers of susceptibility, oxidative stress, neurodegeneration, neuroinflammation, and toxicity in ASD, with an emphasis on the relationship between toxic metal levels and autism severity. Her research includes several treatment studies. She currently conducts research with the Institute of Chronic Illnesses, Inc.

CHERYL KILMER, MA, AND WILLIAM MARA

Building Sustainable Futures for Adults with ASD

Funds for lifespan services are shrinking yearly. We need innovative programs that are self-sustaining and pilot projects to learn what benefits individuals with ASD across the lifespan. This presentation focuses on The Campus of Life, a TERI project. This campus provides multiple sustainable models for lifespan support, including urban farming, microenterprise development, Special Needs Life Quality Coaching and Planning; post-secondary education models; and other innovative programs.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:40am - Room: Cypress

Biography: Cheryl Kilmer graduated from the University of Michigan and holds a Master of Counseling Psychology. In 1980, she founded the TERI: Training, Education,

Research, and Innovation. TERI serves over 600 children and adults with developmental disabilities. The agency offers a wide range of services to this population, supporting them across the lifespan. Cheryl's goal in establishing TERI was to raise the quality of life and supports available to individuals with significant disabilities.

www.teriinc.org

SKIP KINGSTON, PHD

Determining Environmental Toxins and Biomarkers Significant and Predictive of Immune Dysregulation in the Autism Spectrum

The medical literature points to glutathione (GSH) as one of the key markers for suppressed immune function. This important biomarker is now being measured to within 5% and is a relevant and important diagnostic and clinical measurement. In a 3-year study, we have developed a number of biomarker tests in blood, one of which is the GSH and its oxidized form, GSSG. In our study, we have also developed and used other tests that can be applied as supporting markers of ASD patients' immune systems.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Skip Kingston is a bioanalytical chemistry professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Duquesne University and the chief technologist of Applied Isotope Technologies. He spent 15 years at the Natl. Institute of Standards and Technology developing new measurement technologies. He has developed over 10 new methods for detecting reactive speciated toxins and biomarkers and is applying them in a study of children with ASD and control children.

STEVEN KOSSOR, MA

Understanding the Medicaid's EPSDT Mandate

Participants will learn about Medicaid's EPSDT mandate, applicable in all 50 states as a funding stream for the treatment of children with disabilities, including autism spectrum disorders. It is available regardless of family income in at least 36 states. Medicaid's EPSDT mandate is "the greatest treatment funding secret ever concealed." Access to it by any disabled child (up to the age of 21) who is enrolled in Medicaid is a civil right conveyed by the Social Security Act since 1989.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:00pm - 2:45pm - Room: Grand AB

This lecture repeats Thu, 05/24 - 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Room: Grand F

Biography: The founder and executive director of the Institute for Behavior Change, licensed psychologist and certified school psychologist Steven Kossor has been recognized by the US Congress, both houses of the Pennsylvania Legislature, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health for his visionary leadership in the creation of a successful community-based treatment model for children with serious mental illness symptoms.

<http://www.treatmentplansthatworked.com>

ROBERT J. KRAKOW, ESQ., AND JOHN MCHUGH, ESQ.

Prospects for Justice for Children Injured by Vaccines: The Experience of the Omnibus Autism Proceeding

Vaccine-injured individuals may obtain compensation for their injuries only (with narrow exceptions) through the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. Over the last decade, thousands of claims have been brought before the VICP by families of young children claiming vaccines have caused their children's neurodevelopmental disorders, often diagnosed as autism. In the overwhelming majority of cases, these claims have been rejected, ending any chance for justice and compensation for these victims. Mr. Krakow and Mr. McHugh will explore the reasons underlying the denial of most claims for autism in the VICP and the possibilities for obtaining justice in the future.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand F

Biographies: Robert J. Krakow has been engaged in the practice of law for more than 30 years. For the decade of the 1980s Mr. Krakow was a prosecutor with the New York County District Attorney's Office, serving for 5 years as chief of the Narcotics Bureau. For the past 10 years, Mr. Krakow has been representing individuals injured by vaccines. He served for years as chairman of the board of Lifespire, which serves more than 5000 intellectually disabled individuals. Mr. Krakow has founded many not-for-profit organizations devoted to the cause of individuals with autism including, most recently, the Elizabeth Birt Center for Law and Autism Advocacy, or EBCALA.

www.krakowlawfirm.com

John McHugh has been engaged in the practice of law for more than 40 years. He started his career in the Civil Rights Division of the US Department of Justice. He was then appointed as an Assistant US Attorney in the Southern District of New York. For more than a decade Mr. McHugh has been one of less than 70 attorneys nationwide who regularly represent persons injured by vaccines before the United States Court of Federal Claims in the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.

ARTHUR KRIGSMAN, MD

Autistic Enterocolitis: Fact or Fiction (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)

This lecture will review the published data regarding the symptoms, histopathology, and immunohistochemistry of this unique intestinal inflammatory process and discuss possible mechanistic processes by which they may result in cognitive and neurologic dysfunction.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 11:00am - 12:00pm - Room: Lilacs

Mechanistic Theories of the Gut-Brain Axis in the Setting of Autism and Intestinal Inflammation

Autism-associated inflammatory bowel disease is well established, but little is known about the intestinal mechanisms by which bowel inflammation can impact early brain development. This lecture synthesizes the autism-related GI data from numerous peer-reviewed publications and creates one cohesive theory that helps explain the unique intestinal pathology that could potentially lead to downstream developmental and neurologic deficits.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Dr. Krigsmann is a pediatrician and board certified pediatric gastroenterologist who has evaluated and treated over 1400 children suffering from autism and a variety of gastrointestinal problems. He maintains offices in both New York City and Austin, Texas, is actively involved in clinical research, and has presented his findings in peer-reviewed journals, scientific meetings, and at a congressional hearing dealing with autism and its possible causes.

ANDREA LALAMA, HOM.

Highlights from My Son's Successful Journey to Recovery, by a Mother and a Homeopath

Proper nutritional guidelines, homeopathy, orthomolecular medicine and other forms of holistic care will be discussed. In this presentation I will explain how I managed to learn and to put the pieces together by individualizing and choosing the most appropriate treatments to work like an orchestra playing a symphony in perfect harmony. I will present simple inexpensive tools you can use.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Andrea is a mother who became a certified homeopath, analyst, and an independent researcher in order to help her own children recover from autism, one formally diagnosed. Now both are recovered, enjoying learning and living.

MARY JO LANG, PHD, ABPN, BCBA-D

Applied Behavior Analysis for Individuals with Autism and Developmental Disabilities

This is an in-depth workshop discussing the use of applied behavior analysis as an intervention for individuals with autism and related disabilities. Specific topics to be covered include functions of behavior and data collection, arranging consequences to increase and decrease behavior, differential reinforcement and generalization, intervention strategies, and social skills.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 8:00am - 12:00pm - Room: Grand E

Life Care Planning and Case Management for Individuals with Autism and Related Disabilities

This workshop addresses the life care planning process, which will allow a case manager to develop a well-organized and consistent approach to the long-term care of individuals with autism and related disabilities. Subjects to discuss will include the integration of care management, information and communication, and financial management.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:25pm - Room: Cypress

Understanding Behavior Management

This hour-long talk will briefly introduce the basic concepts of behavior management including ABA principles, reinforcement and "punishment," intervention strategies, and tips for enhancing compliance. It features several vignettes to illustrate the topics addressed. It is designed as an audience-friendly primer on these important concepts in the field of autism.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Dr. Mary Joann Lang is a professor at Azusa Pacific University. She is involved in intervention programs for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Dr. Lang manages a school for children with autism and related disabilities as well as an in-home therapy program. <http://www.beacondayschool.com>

ANGELICA LEMKE, ND, CCH, AND PIERRE FONTAINE, RSHOM, CCH

Inspirational Homeopathy—A Heart-Centered Approach to Healing the Deepest Levels of ASD

This presentation features stories of homeopathic healing that address not only the physical body, but the mental, emotional, and spiritual bodies of the child. We will discuss how a "constitutional" and an "isopathic" homeopathic approach can be used together. Our guide is not a set protocol, but encourages understanding the child using a parent's intuition of how they feel deeply on the inside and a greater understanding of the larger story - piecing together patterns of a parent's life experiences and a child's behavior.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Junior AB

Biographies: Dr. Lemke is a naturopathic doctor and classical homeopath specializing in addressing ASD, PANDAS, and other chronic childhood ailments. Her doctorate is from Bastyr University, and her BA is from Georgetown University. She works very closely with families in person and through Skype and email to find the best matching remedies to heal their children, using both constitutional and isopathic homeopathic approaches to healing.

Pierre Fontaine, RSHom, CCH, has been a homeopath in New York City since 1994. Pierre graduated after the four-year program from the School of Homeopathy, Devon, England. His leadership qualities were instrumental in the birth of the New York State Homeopathic Association, of which he was the vice president. He is the author of the book titled *Homeopathy, Sweet Homeopathy*. He is currently writing his second book fully dedicated to autism spectrum disorder. <http://www.homeopathicservices.com>

DAVID LENDER, MBA

FEATURED SPEAKER: Vaccine Nation: A Novel Dramatizing the Vaccine Safety Debate

My journey from conservative investment banker and believer in the integrity of the corporate world to Big Pharma skeptic, novelist, and vaccine choice proponent was an eye-opening one. It culminated in my novel, *Vaccine Nation*, a thriller dramatizing the vaccine safety debate, about a gutsy documentary filmmaker who is handed whistleblower evidence about the US vaccination program. She races to expose it before a megalomaniacal drug company CEO can have her killed.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: David Lender is the bestselling author of thrillers based on his more than 25-year career as a Wall Street investment banker. He draws on an insider's knowledge for the international settings, obsessively driven personalities, and real-world financial intrigues of his novels. His plots reveal the egos and ruthlessness that motivate the players in the business world as well as the inner workings of the most powerful of our financial institutions and corporations. <http://www.davidlender.net>

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Friday at 3:30-4:00 in Grand F-J.

JANET LEVATIN, MD

The Changing Face of Pediatrics: Epidemics of Chronic Disease

Over the past 25 years, we have witnessed the advent of unprecedented epidemics of chronic diseases in our children. Peanut allergy and anaphylaxis, autism, obesity, and other conditions once rare in children now affect significant percentages of the pediatric population in westernized countries. From her perspective as a holistic pediatrician, Dr. Levatin will discuss some of these epidemic conditions, their causes, therapeutic measures, and prevention.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Dr. Janet Levatin graduated from the George Washington School of Medicine in 1982, and completed her pediatric residency at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of NJ in 1986. She has always believed in disease prevention through healthy lifestyle choices, natural healing, and freedom of choice in vaccination and other elective procedures. She helps children and adults get healthy and stay healthy with homeopathy, herbs, common sense nutrition, and targeted supplementation.

<http://www.tenpennyimc.com/>

DAVID L. LEWIS, PHD

KEYNOTE: Targeting Scientists to Protect Government Policies and Industry Practices

Government agencies, corporations, and academic institutions protect government policies and industry practices by funding supportive scientists and targeting scientists who threaten their interests. Research on autism is being overwhelmed as public health organizations and the pharmaceutical industry control the publication of scientific information. All branches of government, fraught with their own conflicts of interest, stand idle as corruption of the scientific enterprise abounds.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: As a senior-level research microbiologist in the Office of Research & Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), I was the only scientist to publish first-authored articles in *Nature*, *The Lancet*, and *Nature Medicine* and the only EPA scientist working to prevent a deepwater oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. After 31 years of service, the EPA terminated me in 2003 after funding the University of Georgia to publish data fabricated to cover up public health problems I was investigating.

<http://www.researchmisconduct.org>

MICHAEL LINDEN, PHD, BCN; JAMES NEUBRANDER, MD; CYNTHIA

KERSON, PHD, QEEG

QEEG-Guided Neurofeedback: New Brain-Based Subtype Assessment and Successful Individualized Treatment for Autism

QEEG-guided neurofeedback is based on normalizing dysregulated brain regions that relate to specific clinical presentation. QEEG-guided neurofeedback is specific to each individual's QEEG subtype. The goal is to balance brain functioning. This tailored approach should

not be underestimated. These include significant speech and communication improvements, calmer and less aggressive behavior, increased attention, better eye contact, and improved socialization, including medication reduction.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Lilacs

Biographies: Michael Linden, PhD, BCN, BCB, is a licensed clinical psychologist and a board certified biofeedback and neurofeedback therapist. Dr. Linden has been the director of Attention Learning Centers and Attention Performance Centers since 1988. He has specialized in QEEG assessment and neurofeedback treatment of children, adolescents, and adults with ADD and ASD since 1982.

Cynthia Kerson, PhD, BCN, BCB, QEEG GT, is certified in both biofeedback and neurofeedback. She completed her master's degree in humanistic psychology at Sonoma State University and her PhD in applied psychophysiology at the University of Natural Medicine. Dr. Kerson serves as the clinical director of Marin Biofeedback.

<http://www.attentionlearningcenter.com>

WILLIAM MARA

A Home That Lasts A Lifetime

It is critical that we develop innovative models for residential supports that do not rely solely on decreasing government funds. This presentation will focus on how to establish and operate a model residence for individuals with ASD that uses urban farming and other strategies to assure a sustainable future.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:40pm - Room: Cypress

Biography: Bill graduated from Bridgewater State College in Massachusetts in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. Bill served as the director of residential services for the ARC of San Diego throughout the 1980s. Bill joined the TERI team in 1990, where he serves as COO and as TERI's representative to the CRA, ANCOR, and Area Board XIII. He is the agency's liaison on legislative and advocacy matters, oversees the HUD grants used to purchase residential properties, and provides project management to a myriad of agency functions. <http://www.teriinc.org>

JACKIE M. MARQUETTE, PHD

Kentucky's ASD Employment Pilot Project

Vocational rehabilitation (VR) practices are often ineffective and distressing for ASD clients. The Capability Approach (CA), is a new tool to assess obstacles and create employment supports. CA has identified 24 vocational priorities critical to the young adult's job capability. The Broad Creative Support System (BCS) integrates supports to minimize obstacles. The CA and the BCS can provide a broader scope of support analysis, interests/strengths that can enable job capability.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:10pm - Room: Cypress

Biography: Dr. Marquette, founder and creator of the Capability Approach and the Broad Creative Support System, is an autism transition specialist with 25 years of research and consulting in school transition. Jackie has a PhD plus degrees and certifications in behavioral disorders and special education. She has published in journals and magazines. Her research interests are ASD social issues and disability, employment, inclusion, and emotional stability for youth and adults with autism. <http://www.drjackiemarquette.com>

JENNY MCCARTHY

KEYNOTE: Recovery is Real

Biography: With honesty, humility, and humor Jenny McCarthy transcends her roles as comedian, actress, host, best-selling author and influential activist in healing and preventing autism. Seven times NY Times Best-Selling Author, Jenny is also the co-creator of Teach2Talk, a DVD series that teaches language, behavior, and social skills. President of Generation Rescue, providing education, medical assistance and treatment for children with autism, she lives in Los Angeles, California, with her son, Evan.

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<http://www.generationrescue.org>

LORI MCILWAIN

NAA Safety Track Discussion and Q&A

The National Autism Association's Executive Director, Lori McIlwain, will lead a discussion and Q&A session on autism safety topics, which will include communicating with your local first responders, advocating for Project Lifesaver and LoJack SafetyNet services in your community, adding safety-related procedures and special modifications to your child's IEP, and more.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Lori has a 12-year-old son with autism and is cofounder and chairperson of the National Autism Association (NAA). In 2009, Lori began advocating for federal laws that would eliminate abusive restraint and seclusion practices in public and private schools. Through NAA, she has launched multiple public service campaigns to advocate for federal regulations, teacher/aide training, parent education, and classroom monitoring.

<http://www.nationalautismassociation.org>

ALBERT MENSAH, MD, AND JUDITH BOWMAN, MD, FAAP***If We'd Known Then, What We Know Now: A Fresh Approach to Treating Root Causes of Autism***

Targeted nutritional and biochemical interventions can help correct the root cause of a child's learning/behavioral/developmental issues, moodiness, depression, anxiety, phobias, fears, trouble concentrating, restlessness, tantrums, and rage as they relate to autism. The science behind recent advances in biochemical, nutritional, and genetic therapies will be presented along with information on digestive issues, heavy metal overload, brain inflammation, and nutrient deficiencies or overloads.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Mensah Medical answers the need for physician-specialists with backgrounds in both traditional and natural medicine. Drs. Mensah and Bowman have helped hundreds of patients from all over the world on the autism spectrum with their innovative approach to treating the root causes and biochemical imbalances that are causing symptoms and other health issues. Their Main Clinic is in Warrenville, IL (25 miles west of Chicago), and their U.S. Outreach Clinics are in Arizona, California, and Maryland.

LUC MONTAGNIER, MD***KEYNOTE: The Microbial Track***

There is in the blood of most autistic children-but not in healthy children-DNA sequences that emit, in certain conditions, electromagnetic waves. A therapy first started by a group of independent clinicians and now performed in conjunction with laboratory observations reinforces the idea that systemic bacterial infections play a role in the genesis of symptoms of autism. Our GPs have observed that a long-term therapy consisting of successive antibiotic treatments with accompanying medications induced in 60% of cases a significant improvement - sometimes even a complete resolution of symptoms. Our working hypothesis is that immune dysfunction associated with inflammation of the intestinal mucosa leads to the introduction of bacterial components, including neurotoxins, into the bloodstream, creating oxidative stress as well as microvascularities, especially affecting meningeal vessels and finally specific neuronal damage.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Room: Grand E-J

Biography: Professor Luc Montagnier graduated in both medicine and biological sciences at the University of Paris. He spent most of his scientific career in two renowned French institutions, the Institut Curie and, for almost 30 years, the Institut Pasteur in Paris. In 1983, Montagnier led the team that first isolated the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV1). In 1985, he also isolated the second AIDS virus, HIV2. Montagnier's laboratory was the first to show that a large percentage of white blood cells of HIV infected patients were prone to die by apoptosis. Luc Montagnier has been honored worldwide with many awards, including in 2008, the Nobel Prize for Physiology and Medicine, for his discovery of HIV, together with Françoise Barré-Sinoussi. Prof. Montagnier is the author or co-author of 350 scientific publications and of more than 750 patents.

MICHAEL MONTICO, MD***Evaluation, Workup, and Treatment - A Comprehensive Review of the Biomedical Approach to Autism***

Biomedicine represents a paradigm shift in care, in getting our children appropriate treatment. ASD affects multiple biochemical processes in the body, described as the "vicious cycles". The biomedical approach concentrates on breaking these vicious cycles through a comprehensive investigation into the sources of the problem, followed by treatment of the causes of the dysfunction. Dr. Montico provides a preview of what parents should expect from a biomedical evaluation including: initial evaluation, laboratory workup, treatment options, and comprehensive treatment plans.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:30pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Dr. Montico is board certified in family medicine and sports medicine. After his son was diagnosed with autism, he began to pursue training in the biomedical approach to ASD. He completed all levels of "Defeat Autism Now" clinician training, and has been treating individuals using this approach since 2007. Dr. Montico offers consultative services using the biomedical approach, at the Holland Biomedical Clinic (located in the Minneapolis area) as part of a multidisciplinary team at the Holland Center.

<http://www.hollandcenter.com/>

RICHARD MOSKOWITZ, MD***Hidden in Plain Sight: the Role of Vaccines in Chronic Disease***

The adverse effects of vaccination are common enough to be the rule, rather than the exception; and they are not aberrations, but central to how vaccines work and, therefore, somewhat difficult to recognize as well. In particular, I will show that specific reactions to specific vaccines are greatly outweighed by nonspecific reactions to the vaccination process in general, and will develop some conclusions for health policy that follow from this change in perspective.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 4:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Dr. Moskowitz has been practicing general and family medicine since 1967, with a focus on homeopathy, patient education, and advocacy. He has a BA from Harvard,

Phi Beta Kappa, and his MD from NYU Med School. He has published two books, one on homeopathy in pregnancy and birth, and a treatise on homeopathy for the general reader. His publications also include articles on vaccines, ear infections, malpractice, homeopathic philosophy, and the medical system as a whole.

<http://www.doctormosk.com>

AMY MOTSINGER***Increasing Independence and Accessibility with the iPad***

This session will showcase practical iPad applications in the areas of communication, motor skills, behavior, and academics. Specific strategies for acquisition and implementation for children having a variety of abilities will be addressed.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand E

Modifying Behavior through Visual Supports

This session will explore the power of visual supports in modifying behavior. Specific examples and strategies for implementation will be provided.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Amy Motsinger has worked with children with autism for over 10 years, both in the field of applied behavior analysis and as a special education teacher. She is currently a lead teacher at Beacon Day School in La Palma, California. Amy received her BA in psychology and her education specialist credential from California State University-Long Beach, where she is pursuing a Master of Science in Special Education.

NANCY MULLAN, MD***A Hidden Cause for the Symptoms of ASD and How To Treat It***

Many ASD patients with abdominal pain, gastric burning, irritation, and reflux actually have a well known bacteria that is hard to find and harder to eradicate. Its neurological symptoms include repetitive motor behavior, lack of speech, sleep disturbance, emotional swings, and psychosis. Treat this bacteria, and gastrointestinal and neurological systems function more optimally. In this presentation, I describe the bacteria, the symptoms it causes, its diagnostic indicators, and its treatment.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Nancy Mullan, MD, is an author, lecturer, and sought-after clinician known for her natural approach to treatment and recovery from ASD. She was educated at the University of Pennsylvania, Tufts University, and the University of Chicago. She is a scientific advisor to and a published author for the *Autism Science Digest* which reaches readers worldwide. Dr. Mullan has been practicing for 30 years and is excited to be on the cutting edge of the newest innovations in non-pharmaceutical ASD therapies.

<http://www.nancymullanmd.com>

JAMES NEUBRANDER, MD***The Rationale for Using Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy for Children on the Autism Spectrum***

Hyperbaric oxygen therapy has proven to be one of the major treatment modalities I use to help children on the autism spectrum move toward recovery. It is not a magic bullet, but it is an important adjunctive treatment to other therapies. Though scientific studies as to its effectiveness for children with autism are lacking or present conflicting data, if done consistently, its cumulative benefits can be appreciated, at least to some degree, by the majority of children who use this type of treatment.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Neuberger graduated from medical school in 1975, is board certified in environmental medicine, the medical director of two entities, scientific advisor to several organizations, and a well-known speaker nationally and internationally. Since the mid-90s he has treated 4000-5000 children on the autism spectrum. He is known as the "Father of Methyl-B12" and the innovator of HBOT protocols used to treat children with autism and other disorders.

<http://www.drneuberger.com>

LARRY A. NEWMAN***Scientific Criteria For Selecting Foods and Dietary Supplements***

This lecture examines the most current clinical evidence, which should be used when selecting foods and supplements for general use and with autism and other developmental disorders and special needs situations.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Larry Newman has over 40 years experience in formulating and evaluating the composition of foods, drugs, and dietary supplements.

DAN OLMSTED

Know Your First Amendment Rights: The Wakefield Inquisition

The unprecedented journalistic attack on Dr. Wakefield and colleagues after their 1998 paper on autism and bowel disease has begun coming apart at the seams. Now that Wakefield has filed a defamation suit and a judge in England cleared the paper's other senior author of all wrongdoing, it's time to ask: How did Murdoch's *London Sunday Times* and the *British Medical Journal* get away for so long with getting the story so wrong? How long will it take the mainstream media to do its job and report the real facts?

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 5:15pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Dan Olmsted is editor of AgeOfAutism.com, the daily web newspaper of the autism epidemic. He began reporting on autism in 2005, writing a weekly column for United Press International. In 2010, he and Mark Blaxill coauthored *The Age of Autism - Mercury, Medicine, and a Man-Made Epidemic*. A graduate of Yale College, he has been a journalist for 35 years and was an original staff member of USA Today and a senior editor of UPI. <http://www.ageofautism.com>

ALICIA ONTIVEROS

Healing the Earth, Healing Ourselves: How the Green Movement Can Help Your Family Achieve Wellness

Green is everywhere, but what does it mean for families struggling with autism? We'll start by exploring how the autism and green communities are aligned to help one another achieve healthiness and happiness. Then, we'll demo green resources and tips and tricks to get your family making greener choices today! Join us if you're ready to make green lifestyle changes on your path toward wellness!

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 8:00am - 9:00am - Room: Grand E

Organic Gardening - Get Growing This Season!

Whether you have two feet or twenty feet in the yard, every home can incorporate a garden. Planting with the family can also be a therapeutic activity that helps parents and kids connect with nature. Late May is the perfect time for warm-weather vegetables, and this session will teach you how to get started!

Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 10:00am - 11:00am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Alicia Ontiveros is a producer and writer with a background in event, television and web video production. Her experience includes network television programs airing on The History Channel, National Geographic, The Animal Planet, The Weather Channel, The Biography Channel and PBS. As a savvy ecogeek and green blogger she writes about green topics for print and web publications, and assists green companies in brand development using integrated social media platforms. www.ecochicago.blogspot.com

JAMES PARTINGTON, PHD, BCBA-D

Assessing and Teaching Functional Living Skills to Individuals of All Ages with a Diagnosis of ASD Using The AFLS.

Individuals of all ages must learn functional living skills to be able to participate in a range of activities. The Assessment of Functional Living Skills (The AFLS) reviews over 850 skills in 31 functional skill areas such as traveling in the community, making purchases, seeking assistance, preparing meals, participating in household chores, and in social and leisure activities. This presentation will help parents identify functional skills their children need and methods to teach those skills.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 7:00pm - 10:00pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: James W. Partington, PhD, BCBA-D, is the director of Behavior Analysts, Inc., and provides services to children and their families. He is a licensed psychologist with more than 40 years of experience working with children with developmental disabilities. His expertise is in language-based intervention with children who have language delays as a result of autism and other related developmental disorders. He is the author of the *Assessment of Basic Language and Learning Skills-Revised* (ABLLS-R). <http://www.partingtonbehavioranalysts.com>

LESLIE PHILLIPS

Bullying and Autism: Practical Resources for Families

Children with autism are particularly vulnerable to being bullied due to differences in communication, motor skills, and social cognition. While it's important to help students with autism learn how to deal with bullies, successful practices create environments of respect throughout schools and include peers, teachers, and administrators. This session offers practical advice to help advocates combat this serious social problem.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Leslie Phillips serves on the boards of NAA and Katy Autism Support, is a contributor to *Autism File* magazine, and has a blog titled *Autism in the House*. Believing people with autism deserve to truly belong in communities, she founded Katy Faith & Disability to promote inclusive faith practices. A long-time advocate in the autism community, she has two sons on the spectrum who have experienced bullying firsthand.

ALAN PHILLIPS, ESQ.

Know Your Vaccine Exemption Rights

What are my exemption options? Where can I get reliable exemption info? What qualifies for a religious exemption? Do private schools and daycares have to accept exemptions? Does my exempt child really put others at risk? When can the state override an exemption? What if my ex and I disagree about vaccinating our kids? Can children consent to vaccines? When do I need an attorney? How can healthcare workers avoid vaccines? What can I do about changing vaccine rights? The answers may surprise you!

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 1:00pm - 2:00pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Alan regularly advises clients, attorneys, conference groups, and radio and web audiences around the U.S. about vaccine exemption rights and legislative issues. His board memberships include the American Chiropractic Autism Board. Alan's *Authoritative Guide to Vaccine Legal Exemptions* e-book, Vaccine Rights website, and private consultations offer in-depth, authoritative vaccine exemption and waiver information in over a dozen different exemption contexts. <http://www.vaccinerights.com>

JILL RABIN, MS, CCC-SLP

Important Nutritional, Oral Motor, Feeding, and Language Ideas to Ensure Optimal Development of Your Child with Down Syndrome

Jill Rabin will instruct participants on paving the path to good communication and articulate speech for their children with Down syndrome, using proper medical intervention and assessment; optimal nutrition and supplementation; and the facilitation of oral motor, feeding, and language skills.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:00pm - 2:55pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Jill Rabin, MS, CCC-SLP/L IBCLC, pediatric speech pathologist and international board-certified lactation consultant, has been working with infants and young children with Down syndrome for 25 years. While she works primarily with the 0-3 population, she continues to see many of her Down syndrome clients after they turn 3. She runs a monthly group for families and children with Down syndrome at New Mother New Baby in Northbrook, Illinois.

WADE RANKIN

Dads Are Warriors Too

There's no reason for Dad to feel left out while Mom is busy curing the kid. There are myriad ways to become involved in your child's recovery and also become involved in the autism community as a whole. And there are myriad rewards that will come with that involvement.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Wade Rankin is the father of three, the youngest of whom was diagnosed on the autism spectrum. After many years as an attorney in New Orleans, Wade moved to Chicago and into the field of casualty claims management so that he and his wife could better access the treatments and services their son needs. He is the author of what he describes as his "on-again/off-again blog," *Injecting Sense*. Currently, Wade is the host of a monthly show on AutismOne Radio, also called *Injecting Sense*.

<http://www.injectingsense.blogspot.com>

KERRI RIVERA

38 Children Recovered in 20 months: Autism Treatment with MMS

This presentation will outline the approach Kerri has used successfully to help recover 38 children from a diagnosis of autism. She will explain how MMS (chlorine dioxide) has become the "missing piece" to the autism puzzle for so many of the families that she works with. MMS is available worldwide and is extremely cost effective, bringing recovery in reach of all families, despite economic or geographic limitations. This presentation seeks to prove that autism truly is curable.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand E

Biography: Director and founder of Autismo2 Hyperbaric Clinic, the first and only biomed-based autism clinic in Latin America, Kerri Rivera is the mother of two sons; 11-year-old Patrick is in recovery from ASD. Responsible for translating the Autism Research Institute's biomedical protocol into Spanish, she is a part of "Curando el Autismo" and "Fundacion Venciendo el Autismo" (Puerto Rico and Venezuela); Mexican liaison for AutismOne and ARI, Rescue Angel, bilingual mentor for TACA, and member of the Global Autism Alliance. <http://www.Autismo2.com>

DAN ROSSIGNOL, MD, FAAP

Cerebral Folate Auto-antibodies in Autism: Testing and Treatment

New data reveals that many children with autism and their parents produce auto-antibodies to a folate receptor, which can lead to a condition called cerebral folate deficiency (CFD). Multiple studies have shown CFD can cause autism, seizures, motor abnormalities, mitochondrial disease, and other neurological problems. Dr. Rossignol will

present recent research on CFD testing and innovative treatments typically covered by insurance, and case studies of children, and, surprisingly, their parents.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand F-J

Introduction to the Medical Academy of Pediatric Special Needs (MAPS)

The Medical Academy of Pediatric Special Needs (MAPS) provides education and long-term support for practitioners, ensuring the quality and uniformity of medical care for children with autism and related medical conditions.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 11:30am - 12:25pm - Room: Junior AB

Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment for Neurological Conditions

New studies have reported improvements in some individuals who have certain neurological conditions by using hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT). These conditions include cerebral palsy, chronic brain injury, autism, traumatic brain injury, and fetal alcohol syndrome. The effects of HBOT on inflammation, oxidative stress, mitochondrial dysfunction, and stem cells will also be discussed.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Dr. Rossignol received his MD degree at the Medical College of Virginia and completed his residency in family medicine at the University of Virginia. After both his children were diagnosed with autism, he made it his mission to research and publish on autism. Since 2006, he has had 23 publications and 3 book chapters concerning autism and related conditions. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians (FAAFP) and is president of the Medical Academy of Pediatric Special Needs (MAPS).

<http://www.medmaps.org>

DAN ROSSIGNOL, MD, FFAFP; RICHARD FRYE, MD, PHD; DAVID DORNFELD, DO; KYLE VAN DYKE, MD; JAMES NEUBRANDER, MD

Interactive Q&A with Leading Physicians and Parents

Join us for a Q&A with a panel of the most published and most successful biomedical experts leading the field of autism spectrum disorders coupled with parents who are actively utilizing biomedical interventions to help their children. Make the most of this rare opportunity and have your questions prepared. You will have the chance to learn from other parents' stories and concerns and have the chance for all of these leading physicians to weigh in on these issues.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 7:30pm - 10:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: David Dornfeld, DO, has been practicing family medicine for 23 years, with extensive experience covering the full spectrum of clinical family medicine. He has developed a special interest in working with children who have autism spectrum disorders. His experience encompasses all spectrums of family medicine, spinal manipulation, chelation therapy, IV infusion therapy, and hyperbaric therapies.

MICHAEL SANDERS, MBA, AND LISA RUDLEY, MBA Know Your Life Planning Rights for an ASD Family Member

Michael Sanders and Lisa Rudley will describe the intricacies of financial, economic, legal, and practical planning that each family should explore to ensure all the rights and needs are met for the entire family. Government benefits on how to obtain and maintain appropriate coverage will be discussed. They will take you through a real-life case study demonstrating how thorough planning can help you avoid the potential pitfalls of little or lack of planning.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 2:45pm - 3:30pm - Room: Grand AB

Biographies: Michael Sanders is president of Clark Dodge Asset Management. He has over 19 years of experience. Prior to Clark Dodge, he was managing director and director of sales with a NY investment advisory firm, where he was responsible for the client advisory and business development teams. Michael's oldest child was diagnosed on the autism spectrum at 2 years old and is now in all mainstream classes and extracurricular activities through the help of biomedical interventions and behavioral therapies.

Lisa B. Rudley, vice president of Private Client Services for Clark Dodge Asset Management, brings over 15 years of financial investment services expertise. As a parent of a child diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder, Lisa has a comprehensive understanding of the special needs community. Lisa's son has significantly improved through the help of holistic and rehabilitative therapies. Lisa serves on the boards of EBCALA and NAA NY Metro Chapter and co-leads the NAA Westchester group.

<http://www.clarkdodgewealth.com>

SARAH CLIFFORD SCHEFLEN, MS, CCC-SLP

Using Video Modeling as a Cost-Effective Way to Teach Play (and Language and Social Skills) to Children with Autism

Play is one of the hallmark deficits in children with autism. Video modeling is often an effective methodology for teaching children with autism a variety of skills, including play.

This presentation will review the developmental sequence of play and the use of video modeling as an instructional technique, and it will provide examples of utilizing video modeling techniques to teach play, language, and social skills.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Sarah Clifford Scheflen is a pediatric clinical speech-language pathologist on staff at a major public research university in Los Angeles, California. She specializes in working with children who have autism spectrum disorders to improve their speech and language, social skills, and play. She also has a private practice in Santa Monica, California, and is cofounder of Teach2Talk, LLC, a producer of educational resources for children on the autism spectrum.

<http://www.teach2talk.com/ask-sarah.html>

HARRY SCHNEIDER, MD

The Power of Music: Nature's Gift of Speech to Autism

Language is a distinct piece of biological makeup of the brain and develops in a child spontaneously without conscious awareness or a need to be taught. In children with ASD, parts of their biological language machines were damaged by autism. We can repair the damage using implicit learning methods a neurotypical infant uses to speak and the power of music. Research using functional MRI suggests that nature has given ASD kids a gift to help recover their nonfunctioning language brain centers.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 1:30pm - 2:25pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Dr. Harry Schneider, neuroscientist at Columbia University Medical Center (CUMC), has degrees in internal medicine and theoretical linguistics and a Fellowship in Neuroimaging from Columbia. He has advanced training from neurological and psychiatric institutes at CUMC in autism imaging diagnosis and brain modulation treatment of autism. Recently he published research on using brain stimulation (tDCS) to restore language to minimally verbal children with autism. He has offices in New York and Indiana.

<http://www.harrydschneidermd.com>

NORM SCHWARTZ, MD

Biomedical Basics: Where to Begin

Dr. Schwartz will review the history and scientific research documenting the benefit of nutrient support in Down syndrome. He will explain low-risk, high-gain interventions to: optimize nutrition and supplementation; monitor and support thyroid; choose first line, functional lab tests; avoid environmental toxins; and support detoxification. These are the building blocks needed to form a solid foundation upon which your child may flourish.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 10:00am - 10:55am - Room: Grand CD

Global Alert: Environment and Increasing Autism Risk, What You Can Do

An unprecedented global experiment is underway. Human activity is pushing ecological and biological boundaries beyond predictable limits. Accumulating evidence links autism to environmental toxins and variability in eliminating toxins. Synergisms of multiple, low-level, pervasive exposures adversely affect neurodevelopment and cellular resilience leading to whole body medical symptoms. Using an integrative and functional medicine perspective Dr. Schwartz will review: minimizing exposures, supporting detox, optimal diet, and biomedical treatments.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Norm Schwartz, MD, is an integrative medicine specialist with over 30 years experience and an extensive background in treating complex chronic health problems. Formerly medical director of integrative medicine for Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he is currently in private practice. Dr. Schwartz has a special interest in the application of ecological principles for the creation of a safer, more sustainable world for ourselves and generations to come.

KRISTIN SELBY GONZALEZ

Sensory Integration Solutions

Everything we think, feel, smell, touch, and hear involves our senses. Many of our children (at any age) are struggling to block out the input. Many are exhibiting behaviors such as toe walking, hand flapping, hitting, humming, rocking, covering their ears, and the list goes on. Receive tips on and tools for understanding and helping your children today. It is not about stomping out the symptoms; it is about understanding how to set up our children for success rather than failure.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Kristin Selby Gonzalez is a leading national spokesperson, educator, and radio show host within the autism community. She is also the mother of a nine-year-old boy with autism. She possesses an extraordinary body of knowledge and experience with both educational and biomedical interventions for autism, including enzyme therapy, dietary intervention, sensory integration, and play therapy.

www.enzymedica.com

MAYA SHETREAT-KLEIN, MD**Natural Approaches to the Dysregulated Nervous System: Healing Sleep, Stress, and Seizures.**

"We are up 20 times each night!" "My child is constantly on high alert!" Sound familiar? These are common and potentially disabling symptoms for families with children on the autism spectrum. Stress, seizures, and poor sleep impact not just quality of life but learning, development, and social interactions. Learn about sleep physiology, how seizure activity can impact sleep, and interventions that can help regulate the circadian rhythm and calm the brain for more restful nights and peaceful days.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Shetreat-Klein is an integrative pediatric neurologist board-certified in neurology and pediatrics. Following her training, she completed University of Arizona's Program for Integrative Medicine and now teaches as faculty there and at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Dr. Shetreat-Klein lectures widely on botanicals and children's nutritional and environmental health. She is founder of Brainmending, a center in NYC for people who have complex neurological and chronic pediatric disorders.

<http://www.brainmending.com>

STEPHEN M. SHORE, EDD**Employment Opportunities for People with Autism: Observations on Promoting Success**

Even those individuals with ASD who achieved post secondary education or have highly developed skill areas often have difficulty selling themselves in job interviews and maintaining working relationships on the job. Drawing on his personal and professional experiences as an adult living with autism, Stephen will share the strategies he has used successfully to find and secure employment and meet the expectations of employers for people throughout the autism spectrum. Some of those techniques include learning about the "Hidden Curriculum" of the work environment, dealing with sensory issues, effective self-advocacy skills, and insights for developing successful interactions with coworkers and supervisors.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:10am - Room: Cypress

Biography: Diagnosed with "strong autistic tendencies," nonverbal until four and recommended for institutionalization, Stephen Shore is now a professor of special education at Adelphi University focusing on helping people with autism develop their capacities to the fullest extent possible. Presenting and consulting internationally, Stephen is an internationally known author, consultant, and educator on issues related to autism.

JEREMY SICILE-KIRA AND CHANTAL SICILE-KIRA**A Full Life with Autism**

Jeremy will present about his life and what helped him become a high school graduate and to be successful in life and college. He will describe the life skills he had to learn before leaving high school. Jeremy will discuss the importance of good supports and what those are for someone like him. He will also cover how to fully include someone with autism like him.

Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:40pm - Room: Cypress

Biographies: Jeremy Sicile-Kira was diagnosed severely autistic when little. In 2010, he gave a speech using voice output technology at his high school graduation. Jeremy is the coauthor of *A Full Life With Autism* (Macmillan March 2012). He is a Youth Advocate for the Autism Global Initiative, a project of the Autism Research Institute. Jeremy was highlighted on MTV's *True Life*, "I Have Autism," which won a 2007 Voice Award.

Chantal Sicile-Kira is an award-winning author, columnist, and speaker on autism as well as the founder of AutismCollege.com, which provides practical training and advice to parents and educators. Her most recent book is *A Full Life with Autism: From Learning to Forming Relationships to Achieving Independence* (Macmillan March 2012), coauthored with her son, Jeremy. She is the author of four other books. Chantal and Jeremy's story has been covered by a wide variety of media, including NPR, PBS, MTV, the *Chicago Tribune*, *Newsweek*, and *Fox News*. <http://www.jeremysicilekira.com/>

THESE SPEAKERS HAVE A BOOK SIGNING on Saturday at 2:30-3:00 in the lobby.

KEN SIRI, MBA**Raising a Child on the Spectrum: Transformation of a Single Dad**

Ken will discuss the experience of taking full custody and care for his nonverbal autistic son and how it transformed him from an irreverent Wall Street "man about town" to an inspired stay-at-home dad.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 9:00am - 10:00am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Ken Siri, the author of *Cutting Edge Therapies for Autism* and *1001 Tips for the Parents of Autistic Boys* is the single parent of a boy with autism. Ken is founder and president of Consilium Global Research (a financial advisory firm) and an active member of the autism community in New York City, where he and his son reside.

<http://www.kensiri.com/>

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Friday at 10:00-10:30 in the lobby.

BARRY SMELTZER, MPAS, PA-C**Hump Back Healing: Nutritional and Medical Benefits of Camel's Milk**

Camel's milk is a staple of many cultures around the world. An overview will be given of some of the attributes of camel's milk from a medical and nutritional standpoint. It has many advantages to cow's milk both from a nutritional and allergenic standpoint. These advantages can bring healing to many of the issues plaguing children on the spectrum. Included will be both studies on how camel's milk has benefitted multiple medical disorders and reports from families who have utilized the milk.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 9:00am - Room: Grand F

Biography: Barry has a Master's in Physician Assistant Studies from Finch University/Chicago Medical School. He is the clinical supervisor for HBO2 Works in San Antonio as well as the owner of Healing Provisions, PLLC. He had training as a DAN! practitioner and has treated hundreds of children on the spectrum. Presentation venues include TACA, National Autism Association, and AutismOne. Publications include *Autism Science Digest* and the *Autism File*.

JEFFREY M. SMITH**Do Genetically Engineered Foods Promote Autism?**

Lab animals and livestock fed genetically modified (GM) feed show behavioral and physiological changes that mimic autism symptoms—until the feed is removed. The problems include antisocial or aggressive behavior, constant irritation, intestinal inflammation and permeability, gut bacteria disorders, diarrhea, bloating, stomach ulcers, immune system dysfunction, and damaged organs. We will present the evidence of harm, including statements condemning GMOs by the American Academy of Environmental Medicine, and teach people how to make healthier non-GMO choices for your family.

Date/Time: Sun, 5/26/2012 - 10:30pm - 11:35pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Filmmaker and international bestselling author Jeffrey M. Smith is a leading spokesman on the health dangers of genetically engineered foods and the industry's methods to hide and distort the facts. His first book, *Seeds of Deception: Exposing Industry and Government Lies about the Safety of the Genetically Engineered Foods You're Eating*, is the world's bestselling and #1 rated book on the subject, while his second, *Genetic Roulette*, documents 65 health dangers of the GMOs that Americans eat everyday. Mr. Smith has spoken in 34 countries, counseled world leaders on every continent, and has appeared in major news stories, including Dr. Oz, CBS, *Time Magazine*, and *The New York Times*.

KIM STAGLIANO**All WE Can Handle. WE'RE No Mother Teresa!**

Join Kim Stagliano, author, managing editor of *Age of Autism* and mom to 3 daughters with ASD for laughter and shared stories of how none of us is Mother Teresa (or St. Peter). We'll talk about diagnosis, growing up, bullying, school issues, and for those with older kids, "what's next." The session will be interactive (don't worry, Kim will not attempt to saw you in half on stage) and follows the AofA presentation. Feel free to bring a cocktail.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Kim Stagliano is wife, mom, writer... and tired. She and her husband Mark have three gorgeous girls who have autism. They think it's almost impossible, given that autism affects boys 4:1 over girls. They have found a way to survive the impossible. Kim is managing editor of www.ageofautism.com, the nation's first daily web newspaper about the autism epidemic. She writes for the *Huffington Post* and has a column in *Autism File* magazine. She and Mark live in CT with Mia, Gianna, and Bella.

<http://www.KimStagliano.com>

CAROL STOTT, BSC, MSC PHD**ADI-R and ADOS in Clinical Practice, Research and Treatment Evaluation**

The session will provide an introduction to administering and coding the *Autism Diagnostic Interview-Revised* (ADI-R) and *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule* (ADOS). It will include discussion of their use in diagnosis, treatment evaluation, and research to date and the potential impact of DSM-V on diagnosis and classification of autism spectrum conditions. (Disclaimer: ADI-R and ADOS are published by Western Psychological Services [WPS] who neither authorized nor endorsed this presentation.)

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Biography: Dr. Carol Stott is based in Cambridge, UK, and has dual qualifications in psychology and epidemiology. As lead trainer with the Cambridge-based autism consultancy, BeginningwithA, Dr. Stott has trained groups of professionals in autism diagnosis internationally. Her research focuses on possible environmental causes and treatment outcomes for autism and related conditions.

<http://www.beginningwitha.com>

LISA K. SYKES, MDIV**Wesley's Story: Hurt and Healing After Mercury-containing Vaccines**

When my son's diagnosis of autism was superseded by that of mercury-poisoning due to vaccines, I began two inextricably linked struggles. The first was healing my son from the devastating effects of off-the-chart mercury toxicity. The second was advocating to protect other children from being unnecessarily injured by vaccines that contained this unwarranted vaccine component. Wesley is now pursuing a high school diploma, and my advocacy has taken me from Washington, DC, to the United Nations.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Rev. Lisa Sykes, a United Methodist minister, is the president of the Coalition for Mercury-free Drugs (CoMeD), author of the book *Sacred Spark* and of the first global resolution on "Protecting Children from Mercury-containing Drugs." She is a participant in the UN's treaty negotiations on mercury. Her son Wesley has made great progress with landmark biomedical treatments. Rev. Sykes is pastor of St. Luke's UMC in Richmond, VA, where she lives with her husband and all three of their sons.

<http://www.sacredsparkbook.com>

THEOHARIS C. THEOHARIDES, PHD, MD, FAAAAI**Can the Peptide Neurotensin Connect the Dots and Serve as Novel Target for Autism Therapy?**

Serum levels of a peptide called neurotensin were significantly higher in young children with autism. This peptide is unique because it is found in the brain, the gut, and the skin, where it has pro-inflammatory actions. The highest concentration of receptors for neurotensin in the brain is in the diencephalon that controls emotions and in the Broca area that regulates speech. Neurotensin can activate glial cells that contribute to brain inflammation, has cytotoxic actions on neurons, and increases seizure activity in animal models as well as activating mast cells. Blocking the action of neurotensin could serve as a unique therapeutic approach for autism.

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Is There an Intervention that Combines Antioxidant, Anti-inflammatory, Metal Chelating, Mitochondrial-protective, and Neuroprotective Effects?

There are some unique flavonoids that have antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and metal chelating activities. Oral absorption of flavonoids is less than 10% and these are heavily metabolized in the liver through methylation and sulphation. Intestinal inflammation further reduces flavonoid absorption, while decreased ability to methylate or sulphate them could lead to "phenol intolerance" presenting as irritability. A new formulation will contain methylated luteolin that has increased absorption and will not require extensive metabolism so that it may enter the brain and reduce inflammation as well as provide protection for mitochondria and neurons.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 10:30am - 11:25am - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Dr. Theoharides is director of the Molecular Immunopharmacology and Drug Discovery Lab and professor of pharmacology, Biochemistry and Internal Medicine, at Tufts University. He trained at Yale University and has over 290 publications. He showed that mast cells secrete inflammatory mediators that disrupt the gut-blood-brain barriers, thus playing a critical role in brain inflammation and autism. Dr. Theoharides extends his expertise beyond theory into practical options for patients with diseases that have defied treatment to date.

ROSARIO R. TRIFILETTI, MD, PHD, AND TAMI GILES**PANS: The Disease Formerly Known as PANDAS—A Major and Treatable Cause of Sudden Functional Regression in the Autistic Spectrum Child**

PANDAS was initially proposed as a disease entity in the mid-1990s by Dr. Swedo to describe children who developed the sudden onset of obsessive compulsive disorder and/or tics in temporal correlation with strep throat infection. Over time, it has become clear that the PANDAS model is too restrictive, and it has been reformulated as pediatric acute neuropsychiatric syndrome. The speaker will discuss three children with ASD who experienced sudden and severe functional regression. Tami Giles will present her son's personal story.

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Biographies: Dr. Trifiletti is a child neurologist and neuroscientist. He was formerly chief of Child Neurology at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York, NY, and UMDNJ-Newark. While at Newark, he was the director of neurology at the Autism Center of New Jersey. He has been intensely interested in PANDAS/PANS since 1997 and has experience with over a thousand patients with this disorder, many of whom also have an autism spectrum disorder. He has authored over 80 peer-reviewed scientific papers and over 90 abstracts.

Tami Giles, mom of a teen with autism and PANDAS, will discuss her son's story and research that connected her with Dr. Trifiletti. Tami has been a leader in the push for appropriate medical/biomedical treatments for autism. Over the years, Tami has worn hats for many autism organizations, including ARI, Autism One, Unlocking Autism, A-Champ, and Generation Rescue, where she was the first ever Rescue Angel.

LAUREN UNDERWOOD, PHD**Understanding Why Biomedical and Behavioral Therapies Should be Implemented Together as a Treatment Approach for Autism**

Behavioral and biomedical approaches have been used individually for treating children with autism. However, optimization and best possible outcomes can be achieved when these two approaches are implemented together. If indicated, biomedical interventions should be utilized concurrently with behavioral therapies in an attempt to stabilize a child's medical conditions and achieve an overall improved state of health. By doing so, a healthier, happier child will be more responsive to therapy.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 8:00pm - 9:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Dr. Lauren Underwood received her PhD in biology from Tulane University and was awarded an NIH Post-Doctoral Fellowship. She is employed by CSC as a scientist contractor to NASA. Dr. Underwood is the parent of a child recovering from autism, an AutismOne mentor, a CARD IRB board member, and scientific advisor for the IHA. She has co-authored several chapters in the book, *Understanding Autism for Dummies*, and she is the scientific editor for *Autism Science Digest: The Journal of AutismOne*.

ANJU USMAN, MD**What's Next? Exploring Options (Down Syndrome Track)**

Dr. Anju Usman will explain the next level of biomedical healing including optimizing a healthy gut-brain connection and nutrients for brain repair and neurogenesis, which is the brain's ability to create new brain cells and new connections.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 1:00pm - 1:55pm - Room: Grand CD

The Autonomic Nervous System, Hormones, and Stress

Chronic illnesses result in upregulation of the sympathetic nervous system. This can cause symptoms such as hyperactivity, anxiety, attention, and focus difficulties. A chronic fight-or-flight response to stress can also lead to medical issues such as impaired gastrointestinal motility, immune dysregulation, glucose dysregulation, and hormonal imbalances. These issues can be identified and addressed with proper testing, good nutrition, targeted nutraceuticals, and adaptogenic herbs.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 7:00pm - 8:00pm - Room: Grand G-J

Biography: Dr. Usman has been treating the underlying metabolic issues in patients diagnosed with ASD, ADD, OCD, developmental delays, apraxia, and chronic infections for the past 14 years. She is board certified in family practice.

<http://www.truehealthmedicalcenter.com>

KYLE VAN DYKE, MD**Making a Plan: Applying Biomedical Interventions in the Clinical Setting (Note: open to registrants of the CME Program for Professionals)**

Patients with ASDs can be extremely complex. Patients often have an overwhelming amount of medical issues and their families are under enormous emotional and financial stress. Clinicians now have the benefit of a large amount of research and treatment options available, but this can make prioritizing treatments into a practical plan challenging. Using the literature and patient histories, this talk will go through techniques clinicians can use to integrate clinical findings into a treatment plan for the patient and family.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Lilacs

Oxidative Stress, Mitochondrial Hormesis, and Hyperbaric Therapy in Autism

Oxidative stress and mitochondrial dysfunction are fundamental problems in autism. Although known to be damaging, oxidative stress is also an important cellular signal for mitochondria to adapt (mitochondrial hormesis). Hyperbaric therapy has been shown to be beneficial in the treatment of autism, but its exact mechanism is unclear. This talk examines the effects of hyperbaric therapy on mitochondria and its use in autism and proposes mitochondrial hormesis as a possible mechanism.

Date/Time: Fri, 05/25/2012 - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - Room: Lilacs

Biography: Kyle Van Dyke received his MD from the University of Chicago and completed his residency in family medicine at the University of Virginia. He is board certified in family medicine. He became involved in autism after the diagnosis of his son seven years ago. His interests include clinical interventions, mitochondria, and hyperbaric therapy.

SUESON VESS, MPH, ACE-CPT**Food With Benefits**

Learn to add beneficial foods into your daily routine and incorporate healthy habits regardless of diet need or challenge. Chef Sueson will help you identify food sources of nutrients that are essential to healing your gut and more and how to add them to your menu so that they are enjoyed by everyone.

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Biography: Sueson is an author/food writer, chef, educator, food activist, and mom. She helps people eat more healthfully, especially families with children with ASD; people with celiac disease, food intolerance or allergies; and others with chronic illnesses. Family and corporate consultant, she serves as chef for AutismOne, on the advisory board for the University of Chicago Celiac Disease Center, and cooking consultant for the Autism Research Institute. Her newly revised cookbook is *Special Eats: Simple Delicious Solutions for Gluten & Dairy Free Cooking*, which is in its 6th printing. www.specialeats.com

SUESON VESS, MPH, ACE-CPT; SHERRIN ROSS INGRAM, ESQ.; JASMINE JAFFERALI; DEEPA DESHMUKH, MPH, RD, LDN; BILL SCHLEFFER
Culinary Day

Culinary Day like you've never experienced before! Spend the day with fabulous, fun teachers of healthy, healing habits regardless of diet - GFCF, SCD, GAPS, Body Ecology and more. We will keep your interest, attention, and appetite piqued all day with activities like movement and LAUGHING, YOGA breaks, and HANDS-ON opportunities with equipment and food. You'll sample delightful morsels and bring home recipes galore. Healthy food is our Love & Passion! Detailed schedule is on the Culinary Day page.
Date/Time: Wed, 05/23/2012 - 8:30am - 5:30pm - Room: Junior AB

Biographies: Sherrin Ross Ingram is CEO of the International Center for Strategic Planning and chief strategist for The Strategic Thinker's Mastermind. She is an attorney, best-selling author, and founder of The Foundation for Real Nutrition and Sustainable Living, helping business and thought leaders develop breakthrough strategies, gain insight into professional challenges, and enhance strategic thinking skills. Most important, Sherrin used real food and traditional nutrition as the foundation for her son's transformation from autism to a life of full inclusion and participation.

Deepa has a unique background that includes training in food science and nutrition. Her passion for wholesome food is evident by her ability to create recipes using in-season natural ethnic ingredients that fit into one's daily plan. She blends eastern and western principles to achieve optimal health.

Jasmine is a lifestyle and wellness consultant specializing in gluten-free/allergy-free living as well as family and women's health. It is her personal mission to raise her children to be healthy and happy. She wants to help you do the same and to empower you to make realistic and healthy choices for you and your families.
www.healthyjasmine.com

ANDREW WAKEFIELD, MB, BS, FRCS, FRCPath
FEATURED SPEAKER: The End Game

This talk traces the history of the autism epidemic from its origins in the 1988/1989 developed-world birth cohorts through the risk for children born today and into predictions for future prevalence rates. It charts the revolutionary shift from medical dogma to the validation of parental insights. It offers solutions in place of conflict and paths to healing and prevention. The implications for the future of the practice of medicine and science will be discussed in the context of dealing with controversy in situations where policy and profit are influential factors. Its messages will be ignored by those in power and the more dire of its predictions will result.
Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Room: Grand F-J

Biography: Dr. Andrew Wakefield, MB, BS, FRCS, FRCPath, is an academic gastroenterologist. He received his medical degree from St. Mary's Hospital Medical School (part of the University of London) in 1981, one of the fourth generation of his family to have studied medicine at that teaching hospital.
THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Saturday at 2:30-3:00 in the lobby.

STEVE WALKER, PHD

Gastrointestinal Symptoms in ASD Children: The Chicken or the Egg?

This talk will focus on our work designed to characterize, both clinically and at a deeper molecular level, gastrointestinal symptoms in ASD children as compared with typically developing children. Our studies are geared toward gaining a more complete understanding of the complex biologic mechanisms that underlie these symptoms in children with ASD so that effective treatment strategies can be implemented early.
Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 4:00pm - 4:55pm - Room: Grand E

Biography: Two of the key difficulties in diagnosing and treating autism spectrum disorders are (1) a lack of biological/molecular criteria to aid in diagnosis and (2) a lack of understanding of the biological mechanisms that underlie this complex set of disorders. Dr. Walker's current research focuses on using molecular tools, including whole-genome microarrays, to better understand the biological basis for autism spectrum disorders and comorbid medical conditions.

WILLIAM WALSH, PHD

An Epigenetic Model of Autism and a Warning Regarding Risperdal

It is becoming increasingly clear that autism is epigenetic in nature. A model of autism is presented that explains the non-Mendelian heritability of autism, vulnerability to environmental insults, the regression event, and the persistence of autism symptoms after onset. Risperdal is a psychiatric medication that has been widely used to improve behavioral symptoms in ASD children. Use of this drug for children during a period of rapid brain development is difficult to justify.
Date/Time: Sat, 05/26/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Walsh is the president of the Walsh Research Institute in Naperville, IL. He received his PhD in chemical engineering and is an internationally recognized expert on biochemical imbalances. He is the director of an international program for training physicians in advanced therapies. His recent autism research includes chemical analysis of autism brain tissues, studies focusing on oxidative damage and oxidative stress, and the role of

epigenetics. He is the author of a new book titled *Nutrient Power*.

<http://www.walshinstitute.org>

THIS SPEAKER HAS A BOOK SIGNING on Saturday at 2:30-3:00 in the lobby.

RACHEL WEST, DO

Adrenals and a Review of Other Hormones Including Thyroid and Growth Hormone

Dr. West will discuss the hormonal pathways and how they have been affected by chronic illness and stress. We will focus mostly on the adrenals. People are scared of the word hormone, but remember, this includes "STRESS" hormones. One of the reasons good fats are so important is because fats are the precursors to our hormones. We will discuss how this allows for inflammation to persist, including what I call "mental inflammation." We all know how much inflammation plays a role in our children's illness.

Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Room: Junior AB

Biography: Dr. Rachel West works out of Santa Monica, CA, in her private office. She is a board certified family practitioner who has been practicing integrative medicine for 12 years and was one of the early physicians treating autism with integrative medicine. She currently treats the whole family using nutrition, bioidentical hormones, IVs, homeopathy, osteopathic hands-on treatments, and various other prescriptions and modalities. She is constantly learning and seeking new ways of helping patients and their families.

SANDRA D. WILLIAMS, PHD

Mushrooms on the Menu: Nutritional, Medicinal, and Behavioral Effects Relative to ASD

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Date/Time: Sun, 05/27/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand AB

Biography: Sandra (pronounced Sondra) grows shiitake mushrooms at Lost Creek Mushroom Farm and directs the Mushrooms in Ghana Project. After 25 years extolling the gastronomic, nutritional, and medicinal values of shiitakes, she now promotes the healing benefits of other mushrooms. She is a healer and a channeler. An award-winning writer, she edited *Saving Ben: A Father's Story of Autism*, by Dan E. Burns, PhD, now director of AutismTrustUSA. She is on the editorial board of *Autism Science Digest*. <http://www.shiitakemushroomlog.com>

ALISON WIMMER

Sequential Processing and Alternative Treatment Methods

Alison Wimmer will explain the fundamentals of neurodevelopment and why it works beautifully with the holistic approach to Down syndrome treatment, allowing children with developmental challenges to succeed and exceed expectations. She will also discuss how lack of function or development does not indicate a lack of potential: each individual should be provided with opportunities based on a perception of unlimited potential.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 3:00pm - 3:55pm - Room: Grand CD

Biography: Alison Wimmer is a neurodevelopmental consultant whose experience with children with Down syndrome spans 22 years. Unique in her expertise, she relied on her knowledge and training to recover her own fine and gross motor deficits and speech after suffering a stroke at age 32. Alison is dedicated to empowering parents and providing them with knowledge, skills, and options to enable their children to achieve their innate potential. For more info and full bio visit <http://www.alisonwimmer.com>.

JANE WINANS, MA, AND LYDIA WINANS

The Dawn of a New Decade

Jane Winans, parent of a thriving child with Down syndrome, shares her journey and discusses biomedical options she used for her daughter. Hear from 9-year old, Lydia, in this moving opening session of the Down syndrome track designed to enlighten and empower parents.

Date/Time: Thu, 05/24/2012 - 8:00am - 8:55am - Room: Grand CD

Biographies: Jane Winans, MA, is the executive director of Down Syndrome OPTIONS - Optimizing Potential Through Integrative Opportunities NOW. She has spent 10 years researching and implementing treatment options for her daughter Lydia who has Down syndrome. She holds a BS from Marquette University and a Master's from National Louis University. She lives in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, with her husband and daughters Stephanie, Ali, and Lydia.

Lydia Winans turns 10 years old Saturday, May 26th. She is in 3rd grade at Stangel Elementary School. She loves to write, play basketball, dance, swim, and hang out with family and friends. She lives in Manitowoc, Wisconsin, with her parents, sisters Stephanie and Ali, and dog Sammy. She is excited to speak at this conference.
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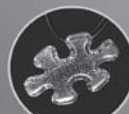
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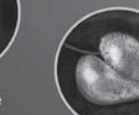
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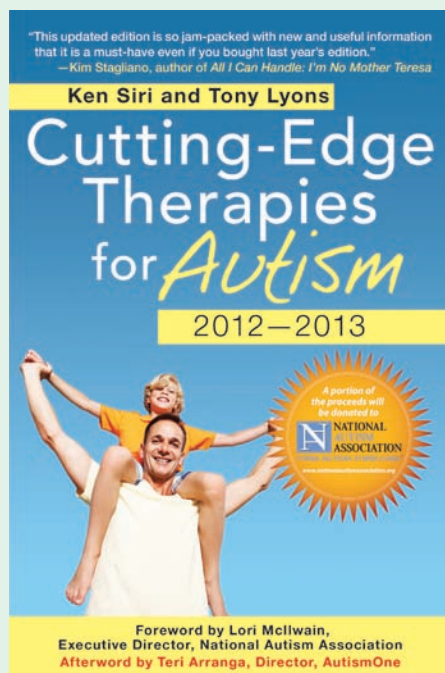
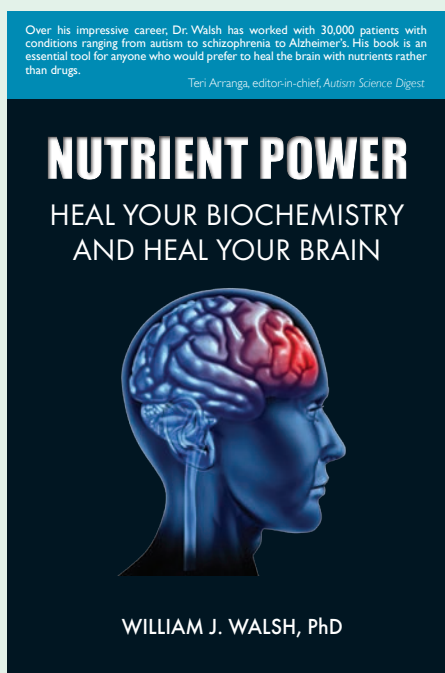
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