

Friday, October 8, 2010

Session B ■ 1:45 pm–3:15 pm

Basic _____ All Ages

● ASHA ● NJDOE

B15 ■ Functional Behavior Assessment and Behavior Intervention Plans

Presented by Steven Gordon, Ph.D., ABPP and Lisa Spano, Psy.D., BCBA, Behavior Therapy Associates P.A.
This presentation is designed for participants who are interested in learning about the methods used in performing functional behavior assessments and linking results to the development of an effective behavior intervention plan. The eight functions of behavior will be presented along with making challenging behaviors irrelevant, inefficient and ineffective.

Intermediate _____ Ages 13-17

● ASHA ● NJDOE

B16 ■ Transition Planning After IDEA 2004

Presented by Amelia Carolla, Esq., Catherine Merino Reisman, Esq. and Judith Gran, Esq., Reisman Carolla Gran LLP.
This session will focus on how IDEA 2004 increases the responsibility of school districts to provide effective transition to post-secondary life. The presenters will focus on new legal requirements imposed by IDEA 2004 and discuss best practices in achieving desired post-secondary outcomes.

Basic _____ Ages 0-5

● ASHA ● NJDOE

B17 ■ Identifying Autism in Young Children

Presented by Michele Havens, Ed.D.
This workshop will provide detailed information on the typical development of infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Using current research and video, the presenter will discuss how the development of children with autism mirrors and differs from typical development.

Intermediate _____ All Ages

● NJDOE

B18 ■ Estate and Financial Planning, Part 1

Presented by Herbert Hinkle, Esq., Hinkle, Fingles & Prior and Douglas A. Vogel, MetLife.
Part 1 of this two-part workshop will address guardianship, power of attorney, wills and realistic estate planning. The presenters will also review how trusts and life care plans play a role in preserving eligibility for important programs.

Basic _____ All Ages

● NJDOE

B19 ■ Understanding Autism Insurance Laws

Presented by Amy Perrine, Autism New Jersey and Ellen F. DeRosa, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance.
This workshop for parents and professionals will provide information on various plans and laws including the newest insurance legislation, P.L. 2009 c.115, that governs reimbursable services. An extensive question and answer period will be provided.

Advanced _____ All Ages

● BCBA ● ASHA ● NJDOE

B20 ■ Understanding Challenging Behavior Through Choice-Making

Presented by Sean Casey, Ph.D., BCBA-D and Cheryl L. Merial, M.A., Iowa Department of Education.
This workshop details the concurrent operants assessment (COA) as an augmentative procedure useful when traditional functional behavior assessments (FBAs) are inconclusive or may be of little use (e.g., when the individual does not engage in the problem behavior during the assessment). The presenters will identify the expected outcomes of FBAs, discuss the application of choice assessments in function determination and provide suggestions on how to implement a COA in school settings.

Basic _____ All Ages

● BCBA ● NJDOE

B21 ■ Teaching Safety Skills

Presented by Kate E. Cerino Britton, M.S.Ed., M.A., BCBA and Jaime Schilling, M.S., Alpine Learning Group.
This workshop for families and professionals will explore ways to ensure the safety of individuals with autism across age groups and settings such as home, community and vacation sites. Videos will be incorporated to demonstrate individuals learning safety skills.

Intermediate _____ All Ages

● BCBA ● ASHA ● NJDOE

B22 ■ Medication and Challenging Behavior

Presented by Kellie Goldberg, M.S.Ed., BCBA, Cheryl Ecott, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Bradford Richardson, BCaBA and Byron Wine, M.S., BCBA, AdvoServ of NJ.
These presenters will provide an overview of medications commonly used to treat challenging behavior and describe how to use graphs to evaluate their effects on these behaviors. Examples will be provided. Attendees should have a basic knowledge of Microsoft Excel™.

Intermediate ————— Ages 0-17

● BCBA ● ASHA ● NJDOE

B23 ■ Improving Communication

Presented by Anne Holmes, M.S., CCC, BCBA, Eden Autism Services.

Individuals with high-functioning autism and Asperger's Disorder often have complex speech, language and communication challenges. This workshop will address their expressive, receptive and pragmatic language needs so that successful strategies can be implemented to build these skills areas.

Intermediate ————— Ages 0-12

● BCBA ● ASHA ● NJDOE

B24 ■ Working Together in Schools

Presented by Kathleen McCabe-Odri, Ed.D., BCBA-D, Ann Michael, SLP and Pamela Modugno, OTR, Partners in Learning, Inc.

Integrating ABA programming with speech and occupational therapy can be challenging in inclusive settings. This workshop will discuss strategies to increase team work and provide a model of integrated services that can better meet the needs of students with autism.

Intermediate ————— Ages 18+

● BCBA ● ASHA ● NJDOE

B25 ■ Decreasing Adult Challenging Behavior through Communication

Presented by Mary McDonald, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Hofstra University and Genesis Outreach Autism Center and Dana Battaglia, M.Phil., CCC-SLP, Genesis Outreach Autism Center.

This workshop will provide an overview of why challenging behavior occurs and ways to conduct a functional behavioral assessment. The presenters will discuss the connections between certain types of communication and challenging behavior. Attendees will learn practical strategies to teach communication skills in community, home and work settings.

Intermediate ————— All Ages

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B26 ■ Technology and ABA, Part 2

Presented by Sharon Reeve, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Mark Mautone, B.A., Marcus Lozano, M.A. and Casi M. Healey, M.A., BCBA, Caldwell College.

Part two of this workshop will continue to address new innovative technologies that enrich ABA programs through video conferencing for assessment, collaboration, training and observation. In addition, iPod Touch technologies and applications for the classroom will be introduced. The focus will include the learner's prerequisite skills, development of curriculum, data collection and applications. Participants are encouraged to bring an iPod Touch to gain the most from the technologies and applications covered.

Intermediate ————— All Ages

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B27 ■ The Ethics of ABA Intervention, Part 1

Presented by Mary Jane Weiss, Ph.D., BCBA-D, The McCarton School and Thomas Zane, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Center for Applied Behavior Analysis, The Sage Colleges.

Part 1 of this two-part workshop will address the application of ethical guidelines to real-world challenges. The presenters will discuss common ethical dilemmas and evaluate potential solutions to these problems. Special emphasis will be given to professional conduct guidelines and dilemmas involving dual relationships, ineffective treatment and role definition.

Advanced ————— All Ages

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B28 ■ Teaching Visual Discrimination Skills

Presented by David Wilson, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Devereux New Jersey.

Acquiring visual discriminations that serve as the basis for learning can be difficult for students with autism. This workshop will provide an overview of stimulus control and procedures to facilitate visual discriminations. Attendees should have an understanding of visual discrimination.