

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

- 7:15 - 8:15 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**
8:15 - 8:30 am Introduction & Program Overview
8:30 - 9:45 am Preventing Problem Behaviors In Children with Autism and Related Developmental Challenges: An Emotional Regulation Approach

Problem behaviors in children with autism remain one of the most difficult areas for practitioners and parents. They prevent learning, participation in activities, and hinder the development of relationships. Behavior management approaches remain constrained, as they have not yet infused a developmental and relationship-based perspective that focuses on enhancing children's emotional regulatory abilities, and developing positive, trusting relationships with others. Recent research documents the need to go beyond behaviorally-oriented approaches by incorporating developmental, emotional regulatory and relationship-based dimensions. Participants will learn about practical, respectful and innovative ways to assess, prevent and support a child with problem behaviors, and to design learning environments, supports and activities that support a child's ability to stay well-regulated emotionally, to maximize learning, social participation and relationships.

9:45 - 10:00 am Beverage Break

- 10:00 - 11:30 am Speaker Presentation (cont'd.)**
11:30 - 12:30 pm Box Lunch Included
12:30 - 1:45 pm Speaker Presentation (cont'd.)
1:45 - 2:00 pm Break with light refreshments
2:00 - 3:00 pm Speaker Presentation (cont'd.)

ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS:



Dr. Barry Prizant has more than 40 years experience as a clinical scholar, researcher and consultant to children and adults with ASD and related communication and developmental disabilities and their families. He is an Adjunct Professor in the Center for the Study of Human Development, and Director of Childhood Communication Services, a private practice. Previously, he served as an Associate Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in the Brown University Program in Medicine, and as a tenured Professor in the MS and Ph.D. Communication Disorders programs at Southern Illinois University and Emerson College. Currently, he consults for numerous school districts and agencies throughout the US and internationally, and is the co-founder and co-facilitator of weekend retreats for parents of children with autism for the past 18 years.

Disclosure: Dr. Prizant benefits financially from royalty payments from the sale of Laminated Guides on Preventing Problem Behavior (National Professional Resources), which will be available for purchase at the seminar, but is not required. He is an editorial consultant for five professional journals, and writes a regular column for Autism Spectrum Quarterly. Dr. Prizant does not receive any compensation for these roles.



Amy Laurent, Ed.M., OTR/L is a pediatric occupational therapist who holds a Master's degree in Special Education. Currently in private practice, she is a New England affiliate of Communication Crossroads and of Childhood Communication Services.

Amy specializes in the education of children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and related developmental disabilities. She provides direct educational services to clients, as well as ongoing consultation to educational programs serving individuals with ASD. She also serves as adjunct faculty for the Communication Disorders Department at the University of Rhode Island and for Emerson College in Boston, MA.

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Karen Levine, Ph.D., is an Instructor at Harvard Medical School and a practicing Psychologist in Lexington MA. She was the co-founder and co-director of the Autism program at Boston Children's Hospital and of the Autism Center at Cambridge Health Alliance. Dr. Levine's focus is on developmental, relationship-based treatments of social, emotional and behavioral challenges of children with special needs including autism. She developed Replays, a play based approach to treating anxiety, phobias and dysregulation in children with autism or other developmental disabilities.

Disclosure: Dr. Levine benefits financially from royalty payments from the sale of Replays: Using Play to Enhance Emotional and Behavioral Development for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders, and Treatment Planning for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders: An Individualized, Problem-Solving Approach, which will be available for purchase at the seminar, but is not required.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 14

- 7:15 - 8:15 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**
8:15 - 8:30 am Introduction & Program Overview
8:30 - 9:45 am Individualizing Treatment and Educational Planning for Children with ASD; What's Really Involved

This workshop centers around the complexities of educating / treating children with ASD. These complexities stem from multiple factors including the diversity of developmental, social and emotional functioning of children receiving an ASD diagnosis, the common co-occurrence of mental health issues also warranting treatment, the differing philosophies regarding what is important to treat/teach, as well as the complicated and often conflicting research and clinical literature regarding how best to do this. Finally, a general model for individualizing treatment planning will be illustrated. The workshop incorporates use of video and audio clips.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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RATES (please circle)

Thursday & Friday \$199 Spouse \$70

Thursday or Friday \$119 Spouse \$50

Thursday Lunch Turkey Sandwich

Tuna Salad Sandwich

Ham Sandwich

Gluten Free

Friday Lunch Vegetarian

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Group (5 or more)

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