

"Mental Illness and Autism Spectrum Disorders in School-Aged Children"

Des Moines, IA ♦ October 23 - 24, 2008

Holiday Inn Downtown Mercy Campus



Mental Illness in Children, with Christopher Okiishi, M.D.

Childhood is a time of many changes, challenges and, at times, confusion. This is even more so for children with psychiatric disorders. In this seminar, we will overview the most common childhood psychiatric conditions. At the end of the day, we will look at real world examples of behaviors a child may exhibit in the classroom, community or home and understand the possible mental health underpinnings of these behaviors. Dr. Okiishi will be addressing: Depression, bipolar disorder, adjustment disorders, grief, generalized anxiety disorder, social anxiety, panic disorder, OCD, post-traumatic stress disorder, separation anxiety disorder, ADHD, oppositional defiant disorder, conduct disorder, Tourette Syndrome, mental disabilities, learning disorders, elimination disorder, and Schizophrenia. Learning objectives for each disorder: Diagnostic strategies; symptoms and 'hallmark' behaviors; predisposing factors; co-morbid disorders and disorder comparisons; impact of symptoms on individual, family and friends; skills training for parents/teachers; statistics and prevalence of disorders; reasons to treat; how to treat, including medications, therapy and other interventions; when it gets dangerous; and things to avoid.

**Thursday,
Oct. 23rd**



Building Social Relationships in Autism Spectrum Disorders, with Scott Bellini, Ph.D.

This engaging workshop will provide an overview of a social skill instructional model developed by Dr. Bellini. The workshop will provide research on social-emotional functioning as well as practical and effective strategies for teaching social interaction skills to children and adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs). The model provides a systematic and comprehensive framework to guide parents and practitioners in the development and implementation of effective social skills programming. Learning objectives for participants: 1) Increase knowledge of social and emotional functioning 2) Increase awareness of the relationship between social skill deficits and social anxiety 3) Develop skills necessary to assess social functioning 4) Increase awareness of skill acquisition versus performance deficits 5) Increase awareness of available social skills strategies 6) Develop skills necessary to implement social skills strategies.

**Friday,
Oct. 24th**

Schedule for Conference Days

7:00-8:00am Check-in
8:00-9:30am Speaker
9:30-9:45am Break
9:45-11:30am Speaker
11:30am-12:30pm Lunch (on your own)
12:30-2:00pm Speaker
2:00-2:15pm Break
2:15-3:30pm Speaker

Registration Prices

(Early bird valid through Sept. 15, 2008)

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Professional 2 Days:

Early Bird: \$195 Regular: \$205

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Professional 1 Day:

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Parent 2 Days: \$160 ♦ Parent 1 Day: \$95

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Continuing Education: (Parents not eligible)

Certificates of attendance will be given out. There are a total of 12 hours of lecture for the entire conference.

Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations made within two weeks of conference will receive no refund. Substitutions are allowed. Cancellations prior to two weeks before the conference must pay \$30 administration fee. Cancellations accepted only in writing.

Meals:

Lunch will be on your own. Breakfast and afternoon snack are included in your registration fee.

Bookstore:

There will be an extensive autism related bookstore at the training. We accept Visa, Mastercard, purchase orders, checks and cash.

Conference Location:

Holiday Inn Downtown Mercy Campus

1050 6th Ave.

Des Moines, IA 50314

(515) 283-0151



A limited block of rooms has been reserved for \$89 plus tax/night. Please call the hotel to ask for our special discounted room price.

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___ Parent, Oct 23-24: \$160

___ Parent, Oct 23: \$95

___ Parent, Oct 24: \$95

* If you are a parent with a child on the autism spectrum AND a professional, please check "professional" if your workplace is paying for you, or if you are getting reimbursed for the conference. We keep the ASD parent fee at a low rate for families who may have tight budgets due to extra medical and/or therapy expenses.

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