

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

San Diego, CA ♦ November 11 - 12, 2008



**Tuesday  
Nov. 11th**

## **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.



**Wednesday  
Nov. 12th**

## **Teaching Strategies for Autism Spectrum Disorders, with Maria Wheeler, M.Ed.**

Some of the characteristics of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) include limitations of attention, sensory difficulties, communication impairments, auditory processing problems, restrictive patterns, excessive anxiety and limited social functioning. These characteristics significantly interfere with learning and performance. When limited by the impact of the characteristics of an ASD, the learner needs to be taught concepts and skills differently than traditional students. Learning objectives for participants: 1) Explore how the characteristics of ASDs, including Autism, PDD and Asperger Syndrome, interfere with learning 2) Learn how to prepare students for learning 3) Learn how to structure and present teaching experiences that actively involve children who have ASDs in a variety of learning experiences 4) Learn how to evaluate a non-verbal child's knowledge of concepts taught 5) Learn effective modifications and supports to facilitate learning and performance for students of different ages across the Autism Spectrum.

### **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 Oct. 6, 2008)*

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Professional 2 Days:

Early Bird: \$215 Regular: \$225

Online: \$205 Online: \$215

Professional 1 Day:

Early Bird: \$150 Regular: \$160

Online: \$145 Online: \$155

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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.

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:

The Handlery Hotel & Resort  
950 Hotel Circle North  
San Diego, CA 92108  
(619) 298-0511



A limited block of rooms will be \$114-\$124 per night, plus tax.

Reservations can be made under the promo code of SPECTRUM.

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\* 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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