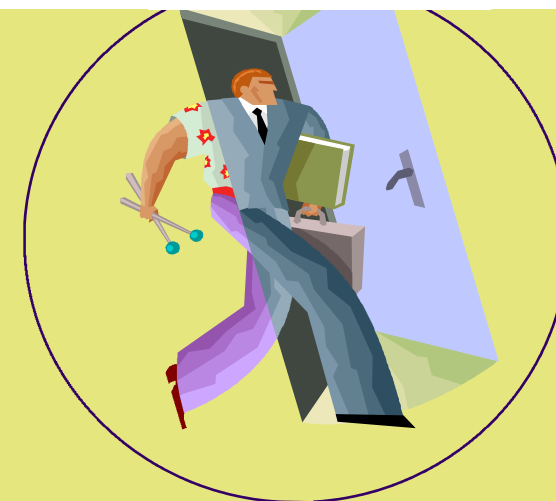




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The 9th Annual

NATIONAL SPEAKER CONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 27, 2010

**Beginning with the End in Mind:
 Planning for Life After High School**

7:30AM to 4:00PM

**Johnson and Wales Inn, Seekonk, MA
 213 Taunton Avenue
 Seekonk, MA 02771**

Autism diagnoses in young children increased dramatically in the 1990s and now those children are young adults on the verge of a challenging transition to the real world.



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The University of Rhode Island, Department of Communicative Disorders is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area. ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

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Join us as we discuss **Beginning with the End in Mind: Planning for Life After High School** with two of the nation's most renowned professionals in the field of transition. This is the first of many programs we are offering that will look at the challenges of Autism into Adulthood - Making the Transition.

If you are an education professional, an SLP and OT or anyone involved with an individual with an autism spectrum disorder you do not want to miss this session that will provide you with what are the expectations, the roles and responsibilities of each team member during the transition process throughout the school year with emphasis on middle/high school to adult life. One guarantee for children with autism is they grow up. Today, the first surge in the rapid increase of children with ASD are graduating high school and transitioning to adulthood. Now is the time to prepare these individuals for their future.

Children with autism mature into adults who want to attend college, work, and have a social life. What services are needed to help them achieve these milestones?

Conference Agenda

Beginning with the End in Mind: Planning for Life After High School

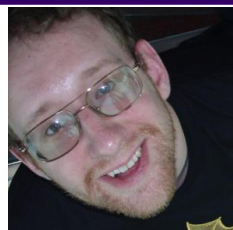
7:30 to 8:30AM	Check-in and Continental Breakfast
8:30 to 8:45AM	Welcome
8:45 to 9:30AM	Personal Perspective - Matthew Carriuolo
9:30 to 10:30AM	Dr. Cathy Pratt and Teresa Grossi, Ph.D - Part 1
10:30 to 10:45AM	Break
10:45 to 12:00 Noon	Dr. Cathy Pratt and Teresa Grossi, Ph.D - Part 1 Continued
12:00 to 1:00PM	Lunch - enjoy a hot lunch prepared by the culinary experts of Johnson and Wales!
1:00 to 2:15PM	Dr. Cathy Pratt and Teresa Grossi, Ph.D - Part 2
2:15 to 2:30PM	Break
2:30 to 4:00PM	Dr. Cathy Pratt and Teresa Grossi, Ph.D - Part 2 Continued

Please note that times are subject to change. Be sure to supply an email address to receive updates to the agenda.

Cancellation Policy

If you have registered and cannot attend, you may send a substitute without penalty. A \$50 cancellation fee will apply to all registrants who give written notice three (3) weeks prior to the conference. No refunds will be granted after that date. Purchase orders are considered the same as a check and the same policy will apply.

About our Speakers



Matthew Carriuolo earned his Sc.B. in Physics from Brown University in 2005. From there, he entered the Ph.D. Program in Physics at Rutgers University for a year and a half before choosing to leave the program in favor of simply teaching physics at private high schools instead. Diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome in early 2010, he now sees why it is sometimes difficult for him to work with other adults--and why it is often so much easier for him to work with children. He also understands better the challenges that he faced in graduate school, as well as in the career world. He seeks to spread his message of understanding and altruism to the world through this talk and subsequent ones. Mr. Carriuolo currently lives in North Providence, RI.



Dr. Cathy Pratt is the Director of the Indiana Resource Center for Autism at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community located at Indiana University. She currently serves on the Board of the National Autism Society. Dr. Pratt also serves on the Panel of Professional Advisors for the Autism Society and is a member of NATTAP (Network of Autism Training and Technical Assistance Programs). She also serves on numerous Advisory Boards, including the Advisory Boards of Maap Services, Inc., the College Internship Program, and the National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders. She has been involved with the Institute on Rehabilitation Issues focused on Autism; the Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee as a member of the Expert Working Group on Services; and served on the Scientific Advisory Board for IMFAR (International Meeting for Autism Research). She also served as a member of the public review committee for the Research Roadmap of the Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee. Dr. Pratt has been honored by the Autism Society with the Individual Achievement Award, with the 2005 Princeton Fellowship Award, and with various awards through NYFAC (New York Families for Autistic Children,

Inc.), including recognition from the New York State Senate, New York City Council, and the United States House of Representatives. She has written articles and presents on the following topics: autism spectrum disorders, functional behavior assessment/positive behavior supports, instructional approaches, systems change, and policy. Dr. Pratt is on the faculty at Indiana University, and presents internationally. Prior to pursuing her doctorate at Indiana University, Dr. Pratt worked as a classroom teacher for students across the autism spectrum and with other disabilities. Most recently, Dr. Pratt earned her BCBA and is now a board certified behavior analyst.



Teresa A. Grossi, Ph.D., is the Director for the Center on Community Living and Careers at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, the Indiana's *University Center for Excellence (UCE)* at Indiana University. Dr. Grossi has extensive background in education and employment for individuals with disabilities where she has worked in North Carolina and Ohio as a community-based instructor, transition coordinator, job coach and managed a vocational training program and a supported employment agency. Prior to working in Indiana, Teresa directed Ohio's systems change grant in supported employment and co-chaired the Cross-training team for the Transition from School to Adult Life systems change grant. Dr. Grossi serves on a number of editorial boards and has conducted research and written on secondary transition services, community supports and employment issues for individuals with disabilities. Dr. Grossi served president of the National Board for the APSE: The Network on Employment; advisory board for the National Postsecondary Outcomes Center, the research committee for the Division of Career Development and Transition, and

the external evaluator for the National Secondary Transition and Technical Assistance Center. Dr. Grossi was awarded a Mary Switzer Fellow from the National Institute On Disability and Rehabilitation Research to conduct research on the effects of inclusive versus traditional high school programs on the post-secondary outcomes for students with disabilities.

Registration

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AFTER September 17th

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Group Discount of 10% (\$ _____) For groups of 4 or more only. Please fill out a separate sheet for each person in the group. Send all forms in together.

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