

## Presenters

### **Cheryl Cotter, M Ed**

Cheryl is a teacher in the Burriville School system. Cheryl brings extensive knowledge of Asperger Syndrome and autism to the team from personal experiences with her son and her professional work and education.

A certified educator she trains both families and professionals on related autism topics and supports social skills groups and summer camp curriculums.

### **Jennifer Garcia, MA**

Jennifer has a total of 10 years experience working with children on the Autism Spectrum, with an expertise focusing on inclusion within the public school settings. She spent 5 years working in both residential and inclusion preschool settings, successfully transitioning students from private to public school settings. She has also created a full inclusion program for students in grades K-5 within a public school setting, in addition to multiple years of consultative experience to public school programs. Jennifer displays a strong behavioral background and holds a Master's Degree in Child Development with an emphasis on Autism Spectrum Disorders, and is currently completing coursework to obtain her BCBA.

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# ASpire

*Asperger Syndrome  
Training Series*



Training Series for  
Parents and Professionals  
Working with Individuals  
with Asperger Syndrome

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Individuals living with Asperger Syndrome face unique challenges and often times, their distinctive strengths can mask their areas of need.

The ASpire series is designed to teach parents and professionals about the unique characteristics and learning styles of individuals with Asperger Syndrome.

Participants completing this series will:

- ❖ Appreciate the strengths and challenges of living with Asperger Syndrome
- ❖ Learn various positive behavior strategies
- ❖ Learn different techniques for supporting individuals in social settings at home, at school and in the community

- (1) Understanding Asperger Syndrome
- (2) Social Communication
- (3) Making Sense of People: Using Social Intelligence to Navigate Social Situations
- (4) Self Regulation: Key to Interactions
- (5) Marching to The Beat of a Different Drummer



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