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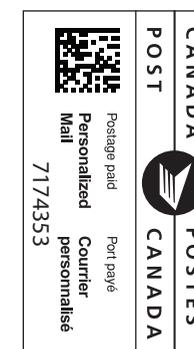
ZOOMING IN: Strategies for Concrete Learners

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Supporting Anxiety in Children and Adolescents with ASD

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Professional	BEFORE October 30, 2019	AFTER October 30, 2019	
2 Days	\$325.00 + \$16.25 GST = \$341.25	\$355.00 + \$17.75 GST = \$372.75	\$ _____
1 Day Only	\$240.00 + \$12.00 GST = \$252.00	\$270.00 + \$13.50 GST = \$283.50	\$ _____
Day Attending	Friday _____ Saturday _____		
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1 Day Only	\$165.00 + \$8.25 GST = \$173.25	\$195.00 + \$9.75 GST = \$204.75	\$ _____
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		TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$ _____

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS November 7, 2019

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Friday, November 15

RYAN HENDRIX

*ZOOMING IN: Strategies for Concrete Learners
Ages 5 - Young Adult*

This day focuses on developing rule-based social learning activities that connect to educational standards and support the student with significant social attention and social interpretation challenges. We will concentrate specifically on individuals who are described as Challenged Social Communicators (CSC) or Emerging Social Communicators (ESC) on our Social Thinking–Social Communication Profile. These individuals are more literal, more aloof, miss sarcasm, are less organized, show marked difficulty reading social contextual cues from people and situations, comprehending reading material, and expressing themselves through writing, and they appear more awkward in their attempts to socially engage with their peers. The day will explore the power of social attention using video clips to provide explicit and practical examples for teaching basic social concepts to encourage the development of theory of mind (perspective taking), sharing social attention, and awareness of trickery.

Participants will be able to:

1. Describe two or more core characteristics of Challenged and/or Emerging Social Communicators and explain the impact on social and academic learning.
2. Explain the connection between academic standards, social learning, and the challenges of literal learners using the Social Thinking Social Learning Tree.
3. Explain the process for creating a rubric for measuring outcomes related to perspective taking (point of view) for individuals who are more literal learners.
4. Describe two practical lessons for developing theory of mind.

Ryan Hendrix, MS, CCC-SLP, is a Social Cognitive Therapist at Social Thinking Stevens Creek in San Jose and a private therapist in San Francisco. She trained and works directly with Michelle Garcia Winner and Dr. Pamela Crooke. Her diverse caseload experience includes preschool-age children through young adults with varying levels of social cognitive learning challenges.

In addition to running groups, she actively collaborates with families and related professionals (teachers, resource specialists, psychologists, etc.) on ways to promote carryover and generalization of learning outside of the clinic setting. Ryan also helps supervise and train graduate students and clinicians in their clinical fellowship year and does ongoing mentorships within the Social Thinking Stevens Creek clinic.

Saturday, November 16

LAUREN KERSTEIN

Supporting Anxiety in Children and Adolescents with ASD

Anxiety disorders are a challenge for many children and adolescents on the autism spectrum. Unfortunately, anxiety is often mistaken for willful behavior, which can lead to ineffective interventions. Anxiety can include:

- Physical symptoms such as stomachaches, difficulty breathing, sleep disruption, and headaches.
- Cognitive symptoms such as distorted thinking, difficulty making decisions, trouble concentrating, and challenges learning new tasks.
- Behavioral symptoms such as challenges with separation, refusal, increased rigidity, and shutting down.

With this presentation, attendees will learn how to identify characteristics of anxiety in their child or adolescent. Specific intervention strategies will be demonstrated and modeled that are rooted in:

- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy,
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy,
- and Positive Psychology.

Strategies will apply to home, community, and school settings. Although this presentation will primarily focus on children and adolescents who communicate verbally, interventions will be offered for children and adolescents who are not as verbal. Participants will leave this presentation with a new toolbox of strategies that they can put to immediate use.

Lauren H. Kerstein, LCSW, is a licensed clinical social worker who specializes in working with children through adults with autism spectrum disorder, anxiety, depression, and relationship skill difficulties. Lauren is the author of *A Week of Switching, Shifting, and Stretching: How to Make My Thinking More Flexible*; *My Sensory Book: Working Together to Explore Sensory Issues and the Big Feelings They Can Cause: A Workbook for Parents, Professionals, and Children*; and a textbook about high-functioning autism.

Lauren is the co-author of a chapter about sibling work in *Autism: From Research to Individualized Practice*. Additionally, she has written articles for online blogs and publications including AuKids, The Autism NoteBook, and Expert Beacon. Lauren's latest book, tentatively titled: *Emotion Regulation: Helping Children and Adolescents Take Charge of Their Feelings* will be available soon. Lauren's debut fiction picture book: *Rosie the Dragon and Charlie Make Waves* is swimming to shelves in June 2019.

**Register Before October 30, 2019 To Receive Early Bird Pricing
Registration Deadline For This Conference Is November 7, 2019.**

Learn practical skills that can be immediately implemented into existing curriculum and training programs, at home or in school.

CONFERENCE DETAILS

Registration Includes

Sessions, session materials, and refreshment breaks. Delegates are on their own for lunch. If you do not receive a confirmation within 7 business days prior to the conference, please contact Autism Awareness Centre. Registrations received after the deadline may not be sent a confirmation prior to the conference.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be in writing and received prior to October 30, 2019. A \$50.00 administration fee will be charged. No refunds issued after October 30th.

Conference Venue

Delta Calgary South Hotel
135 Southland Drive Southeast,
Calgary, AB. T2J 5X5
Phone: (403) 278-5050
Toll Free: (800) 268-1133

**Room Rate – \$144 per night (plus applicable taxes)
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