

Autism Awareness Centre Inc.
Presents
March 29 & 30, 2007
Ottawa, Ontario
Travelodge Hotel & Convention Centre
1376 Carling Avenue, Ottawa, ON

Register Today!
You Won't Want To Miss Two Of North America's Dynamic Speakers
And Authors

Thursday, March 29
CAROL KRANOWITZ
Author *The Out-of-Sync Child*
Functional Fun for the Out-of-Sync Child

Morning: The Basics of Sensory Processing Disorder (Sensory Integration Dysfunction)
Learn how ordinary sensations of touch, movement, sights and sounds affect children with autism. They don't respond as most children do, not because they won't, but because they can't. Inefficient processing of sensory messages coming from their body and surroundings may cause them to feel out-of-sync.

Afternoon: Functional and Fun Activities

See, hear and participate in activities that help children get in sync while strengthening their sensory-motor skills, language, and overall development. Adding "spice" to a Sensory Diet, these touching and moving experiences emphasize social participation, heavy work, music and rhythm, dramatic play, visual and auditory skills, motor planning and calming down.

Carol Stock Kranowitz is the author of "The Out-of-Sync Child", the bestseller that demystifies Sensory Integration (SI). As a music, movement and drama teacher for 25 years, she developed a purposeful curriculum that integrates sensory-motor activities into the preschool day. In her presentations, she shows parents, educators, caregivers, and other early childhood professionals what healthy SI means for the whole child, how Dysfunction in Sensory Integration (DSI) gets in a child's way, and how we can help.

Friday, March 30
KARI DUNN BURON
Author of *The Incredible 5 Point Scale* and *When My Worries Get Too Big*
Understanding Social Cognition and Its Impact On Autism Spectrum Disorders

This presentation will give an interesting and basic overview of the current research in the area of social cognition and autism spectrum disorders. The impact of social cognition on social anxiety and challenging behavior will be discussed and strategies for addressing these needs will be outlined. Kari will discuss the use of the 5-point scale in teaching social information to students with ASD.

Topical Outline

1. Overview of current research in social cognition and ASD
2. The impact of social cognitive problems on social anxiety and behavior
3. Teaching social understanding to individuals with ASD
4. Addressing relaxation in highly anxious people with ASD

Learning Outcomes

1. Define Social Cognition as it is explained by current research and explain how it relates to autism spectrum disorder.
2. Describe 3 approaches currently used to teach social understanding to students with ASD.
3. Describe 5 elements of nonverbal social communication that impact social success and name 3 ideas for directly addressing this deficit in students with ASD.

Describe the Anxiety Curve Model of Functional Behavior Assessment and name 3 ways of proactively teaching relaxation to highly anxious students with ASD.

Kari Dunn Buron has been working with students with autism for over 25 years. She has recently retired as the Autism Resource Specialist for ISD #916 in White Bear Lake Minnesota. She is the Designer of and Coordinator for the Autism Spectrum Disorders Certificate program at Hamline University (a graduate program for educators). Kari is one of the founding members of the Minnesota Autism Network, a statewide network of ASD educational consultants. In 1995, Kari developed and continues to work as the coordinator for Camp Discovery, a camp for youth with Asperger Syndrome. In 2003, Kari received a Self-designed Fellowship that allowed her to spend a year interviewing and working with a number of therapists and researchers in the area of social cognition and Autism. Kari is the co-author of the book, The Incredible 5-Point Scale, the author of When My Worries Gets Too Big, and the co-editor of a text currently in press titled Educating Learners on the Autism Spectrum: Translating Theory into Meaningful Practice. Her newest book is A 5 is Against the Law! Social Boundaries: Straight Up! An honest guide for teens and young adults.

REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE	DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS March 20
Parent/paraprofessional Rate*	BEFORE March 1
1 Day	\$95.00 + \$5.70 GST= \$100.70
2 Day	\$175.00 + \$10.50 GST= \$185.50
Professional Rate	BEFORE March 1
1 Day	\$175.00 + \$10.50 GST= \$185.50 \$225.00 + \$13.50 GST= \$238.50
2 Day	\$250.00 + \$15.00 GST= \$265.00 \$300.00 + \$18.00 GST= \$318.00

REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Sessions, Session materials, 1 year free subscription to Autism Awareness Newsletter, refreshment breaks, and more.

**Paraprofessional: Teacher Aide/Teaching Assistant; Student, Grandparents, Respite Worker*

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