

17th Annual Alabama Autism Conference

Developing and Supporting Independence Across the Spectrum

February 23, 2018

Bryant Conference Center

Tuscaloosa, AL

7:00am – 8:00am

Registration and Breakfast

8:00am – 8:15am

Convene

***Sarah O'Kelley, PhD**, Assistant Professor, UAB Department of Psychology;
Director, Autism Spectrum Disorders Clinic at UAB Civitan International Research
Center- Sparks Clinics*

***Anna McConnell, LICSW, MPH**, State Autism Coordinator, Alabama Department
of Mental Health*

8:15am – 9:30am

Increasing the Use of Evidence-Based Treatment for Children with Autism

***David Mandell, ScD**, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Director, Center for
Mental Health Policy and Services, University of Pennsylvania*

9:30am – 9:45am

Break and Exhibits/Research Posters

9:45am – 11:00am

**Evidence-Based Social Communication Interventions for Minimally Verbal
Children with ASD**

***Patricia Prelock, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-CL**, Dean, College of Nursing & Health
Sciences, Professor, Communication Sciences & Disorders, University of Vermont*

11:00am – 11:15am

Break and Exhibits/Research Posters

11:15am – 12:30pm

**Surviving and Thriving in the Real World: A Daily Living Skills Intervention for
Adolescents with ASD**

***Amie Duncan, PhD**, Clinical Psychologist, The Kelly O'Leary Center for Autism
Spectrum Disorders- Cincinnati Children's Hospital; Assistant Professor, University
of Cincinnati Department of Pediatrics*

12:30pm – 1:30pm

Lunch and Presentations

CARES Award Presentation

Autism Society of Alabama; Regional Autism Network Contacts

- 1:30pm – 2:45pm Breakout Sessions (Locations TBA):
- 1. Teaching Daily Living Skills to Adolescents with ASD**
Amie Duncan, PhD, Clinical Psychologist, The Kelly O'Leary Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders- Cincinnati Children's Hospital; Assistant Professor, University of Cincinnati Department of Pediatrics
 - 2. Challenging Behavior in Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders: Toward Understanding and Improving Behavior while Maintaining Optimism for Change**
Stephanie Stoll, PhD, BCBA-D, Co-Founder, Behavioral Pediatric Institute of Alabama
Stacy Ladden, PsyD, BCBA-D, Co-Founder, Behavioral Pediatric Institute of Alabama
- 2:45pm – 3:15pm Break and Exhibits
(Student/Faculty Networking Session- Mason Room)
- 3:15pm – 4:30pm **A Family's Perspective: ASD**
Aaron Henderson, Self-Advocate
Vivian Spears, Parent Consultant, Autism Advocate
- 4:30pm Evaluations, Professional Approvals, Sign-in Sheets and Adjournment

*****Certificates of Attendance will be emailed out after the conference.*****