

TRAINING AT AUTISM SA

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 2012

SETTING STUDENTS WITH AN ASD UP FOR SUCCESS IN 2012 FEBRUARY 6

Do you have a student in your class with an ASD? This is the workshop for you! Designed by teachers, this day is designed to give teachers the knowledge, understanding and practical skills to support students with an ASD in the classroom environment.

Topic covered include:

- Introduction to ASD (includes Asperger syndrome);
- Information processing and how to enhance;
- Proactively reducing the likelihood of challenging behaviour;
- Enhancing communication;
- Developing social understanding; and
- Understanding sensory integration and the impact on a child.

Time 9:30am- 4:00pm

SUPPORTING STUDENTS WITH AN ASD FOR SSO/ESO'S FEBRUARY 7 & 20

A whole day, hands-on, practical session just for SSO's, ESO's and ELOs. Topics covered include:

- Brief background to ASD;
- Support models;
- Making and displaying of visuals;
- Creating social supports;
- A range of best practice teaching strategies;
- Implementation of interventions;
- Constructive tips when facing challenging behaviour; and
- How to look after your own needs on the job.

Time 9:30am- 4:00pm

ASD: AN INTRODUCTION FEBRUARY 8

This workshop is a must for anyone who lives or works with an individual on the Autism Spectrum (autism or Asperger syndrome). The workshop outlines the diagnostic criteria, explores the unique characteristics of ASD and identifies strategies to help support individuals in the home, school and community environment.

Time 9:30am- 12:30pm

UNDERSTANDING SENSORY INTEGRATION FEBRUARY 13

A fun, practical session designed for a range of professionals who work with an individual on the Autism Spectrum!

Participants will be guided through a range of hands-on activities to enhance their understanding of sensory integration and the impact that it can have on an individual's ability to engage with their environment. Participant will develop confidence in identifying and implementing specific sensory strategies to increase engagement from their student.

Time 9:30am- 4:00pm

ENHANCING COMMUNICATION USING VISUAL SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS WITH AN ASD FEBRUARY 14

A Speech Pathologist will outline the challenges that individuals may face understanding and communicating with others in the school environment. Participants will then explore strategies to enhance communication including modifying language and using visual supports. Participants work to create their own visual supports to assist with communication, social understanding, increasing engagement and reducing challenging behaviour for their particular student.

Time 9:30am- 4:00pm

COMPLEX CASE MANAGEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH AN ASD FEBRUARY 15

This workshop is suitable for school leadership staff, special needs coordinators, Department for ECD and Catholic Education Regional Office staff and other professionals who manage students with complex needs.

Erica Handley has been seconded part-time to a Department for ECD Regional office working with families, school staff, Regional Office staff and other agencies providing targeted support to students with ASD having great difficulty maintaining their school placement.

This workshop will cover the development of a student support team, development of a positive behaviour support plan, what to teach, how to manage a student's behaviour, staff training, coaching and mentoring and the 3 M's- How to measure, monitor and manage the intervention program. References to data, case studies and current ASD friendly programs will be covered.

Time 9:30am- 12:30pm

iPADS AND APPS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS FEBRUARY 21

Heard about iPads – or do you have one, but still unsure how to use one? Would you like to know which applications are useful for your child with a disability?

This hands-on workshop includes:

- Navigating an iPad;
- What is the iTunes Store, and where do you get apps?;
- Compare current teaching tools to available applications;
- Focus on visual scheduling, Social Skill and Assisted and Augmentative Communication;
- Look at a case study (or use own example) and find an appropriate strategy using an application on the iPad.

Time 9:30am- 12:30pm

THE POWER OF PEERS: RAISING AWARENESS OF THE AUTISM SPECTRUM IN THE CLASSROOM FEBRUARY 28

This half day workshop will guide participants through 'The Power of Peers' (peer awareness) program and will explicitly demonstrate how to implement the program to classes in school environments to develop peers understanding, support and acceptance of ASD. Participants will leave the workshop with a greater understanding of the program and will feel confident implementing the program in their schools.

Time 9:30am-12:30pm

Optional DVD Cost \$45.00

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VENUE All professional development series are conducted at 262 Marion Rd, Netley, Adelaide

COST (Unless otherwise stated) 1/2 day sessions Members \$70 , Non-members \$75.

Whole day session Financial Members \$140, Non-members \$150.

Includes GST, morning/afternoon tea, lunch if applicable ,handouts and certificate.

