

Registration Form

Please complete one registration form per attendee.

- Barbara Doyle (Rockford Location) 10/06/09
- Barbara Doyle (Elgin Location) 10/07/09
- Patrick Schwarz (Rockford Location) 11/16/09

Total # of Workshops _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Name

Home Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

District/Coop

School Position

Work Address

City/State/Zip

Phone

Preferred Email Address

Special Accommodations Required (including dietary needs)

**Mail registration and check to:
Northwestern Illinois Association
3626 East State Street
Rockford, IL 61108
Attn: Autism
Phone: 815.964.0937
Fax: 815.964.2210
Email: autism@thenia.org**

Dates, Topics and Speakers

October 6, 2009

Rockford Location

Making Educational Programs and Services Work for Children and Young Adults with Asperger Syndrome

Students with Asperger Syndrome participate in all school based programs and activities with varied success. This presentation will teach school staff and family members simple and effective strategies that can be implemented by anyone even if you do not have more time or more money! Come learn how to adapt what you do to support success for children and young adults with Asperger Syndrome and their peers, easily and effectively. School staff includes: general education teachers, coaches, assistants, aides, therapists, case managers, special education personnel, music and art teachers, physical education specialists, vocational specialists, counselors, social workers, nurses, etc. A special presentation on bullying will be included.

Barbara T. Doyle, M.S.,

is a Clinical Consultant in private practice who specializes in enhancing the learning and communication of people with disabilities. Ms. Doyle has focused her attention on special populations autism spectrum disorders (ASD), autism with hearing impairment, autism with visual impairment, deafness and deafblindness, and has developed special and effective approaches to learning, teaching and communicating. She educates and supports schools, families, the child welfare system, adult services agencies, workplaces and others who are interested in improving the lives of people with ASD and others. She is an engaging trainer and conference presenter who is noted for her practical and "ready to apply" information delivered with humor and humanity.

Barbara works with school districts to help them become more truly inclusive. Her definition of real inclusion is success for everyone in the classroom: teachers, general education students and students

with special needs. She has developed a repertoire of strategies that are likely to benefit all students and create a future society that values and empowers everyone. She trains teams to work more effectively together, prioritize what is most important, and understand and respond to family issues.

Barbara works extensively in adult services. These experiences have helped her develop her "lifetime" approach to working with people with autism and other developmental disabilities. She focuses on what is most important to learn and skills that will have the greatest positive impact on individuals across their lifetimes.

Barbara has Bachelor of Science degrees in Elementary Education and Special Education, with a focus on deaf and hard of hearing children. Interested in adult learning, she earned a Master of Science degree in Business Management in 1991, focusing on Human Resource Development issues and the challenges of teaching adults.

Barbara is an adjunct faculty member of SIU School of Medicine, Dept. of Psychiatry, Division of Developmental Disabilities. She provides support to clinic clients with ASD and helps teach medical students about patients with autism.

Barbara is a founding member of the board of directors of the Illinois Assistive Technology Program, a federally and state funded program that provides information, technical assistance, training, device loans, and cash loan programs to the citizens of Illinois. Her interest in assistive technology has led her to develop workshops on the use of assistive technology for people with ASD, and other disabilities.

Barbara is the co-author of *ASD from A to Z*, a comprehensive autism manual for staff and families published by Future Horizons in 2004. This book was written with Barbara's sister, Emily Iland, who is the parent of a son with an autism spectrum disorder and an advocate and trainer. In 2005, Emily translated their book into Spanish. *Los Trastornos del Espectro de Autismo de la A a la Z* is now available via their website www.asdatoz.com.

November 16, 2009

Rockford Location

New Speaker & Topic

Achieving Quality Transition Outcomes for Individuals with Autism

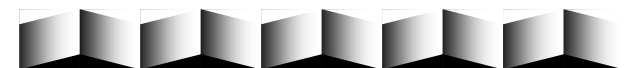
Longitudinal practices from school to post-school are presented in this workshop. Definitions, key players, when to start, and other important information pieces are covered. Real-life learner examples are illustrated and participants are guided into creating a plan for an individual they represent for an authentic and meaningful application that can be utilized immediately.

Specifically, participants who are working with individuals consumers with autism are targeted for this workshop. Transition plans created in this workshop can be shared with the rest of the team for school implementation.

Dr. Patrick Schwarz, Ph.D.,

is a professor of Special Education at the National-Louis University in Chicago. Dr. Schwarz is a dynamic, engaging, motivational speaker and a leader in Education. His passion and excitement for serving students in inclusive settings is infectious. In this workshop, Dr. Schwarz will share his experiences, expertise and humor. Much of what he will be sharing is reflected in his two books: *From Disability to Possibility: The Power of Inclusive Classrooms* and *You're Welcome: 30 Innovative Ideas for the Inclusive Classroom*. He also is the author of *Just Give Him the Whale: 20 Ways to Use Fascinations, Areas of Expertise, and Strengths to Support Students with Autism* and the soon to be published *We're Turning Around Now: 101 Non-Medication Supports for People with ADHD*.

Patrick's research interests include School and Community Inclusive Education, Universal Design and Inclusive Curricular Design, Collaboration and Co-Teaching, Positive Behavior Supports, Transition, and Student Fascination and Interest Areas.



General Information

Intended Audience

The content of each workshop is designed for those individuals who wish to learn more about autism spectrum disorder. Prior knowledge about autism or the specific topic is not a prerequisite for attending the series. Individuals with moderate or extensive knowledge of autism or the topic may benefit from the speaker's expertise and presentation of current information.

These workshops address the Illinois Professional Teaching Standard on Instructional Delivery—*The teacher understands how individuals grow, develop, and learn and provides learning opportunities that support the intellectual, social, and personal development of all students.*

Cost and Registration

1. Each workshop costs **\$70.00** for people who work within the NIA region, and **\$100.00** for those who work outside the NIA region. The NIA region covers JoDavies, Stephenson, Winnebago, Boone, Carroll, Ogle, DeKalb, Kane, Whiteside, and Lee counties. The registration fee covers continental breakfast and lunch.
2. Purchase orders will be accepted.
3. No spaces will be held without registration form and fees.
4. No on-site registration will be accepted.

Important Information

1. Special meals must be ordered in advance as noted on the registration form under *Special Needs*.
2. Registration and continental breakfast for a workshop will be from 8:00 - 8:30. Each workshop will run from 8:30 - 3:00 with lunch provided from 11:30 - 12:30.
3. Parents may contact their local district or special education cooperative, STARNET (800.227.7537 or www.wiu.edu/starnet/) or the ARC of Illinois (708.206.1930 or www.thearcofil.org) for information on fellowships and stipends.
4. Please dress in layers as room temperature is hard to regulate.

Continuing Education Credits

The workshops have been approved by IDPR for OT/PTs and SLPs; and by ISBE for teacher re-certification CPDUs. Continuing Education Units for social workers are available for purchase from Northern Illinois University. EI providers may wish to seek pre-approval through UCP of Chicago at 866.509.3867 ext. 23.

Certificates

To receive a certificate of participation, attendance is required for the entire workshop.

- Certificates will not be adjusted.
- Certificates will not be given for those who arrive late or leave early.
- Certificates will be given at the end of the workshop upon receipt of the evaluation form(s).

Cancellations and Refunds

1. Requests for refunds must be submitted to the NIA office 3 working days before a workshop. NO refunds will be given after that date. All fees will be returned if a workshop is cancelled by NIA.
2. No confirmation will be mailed. You may call our office to confirm your registration.
3. Workshops fill quickly. It is strongly recommended that with your district/coop's approval, you pay in advance by personal check.

Questions

For more information please call the NIA office on East State Street in Rockford:

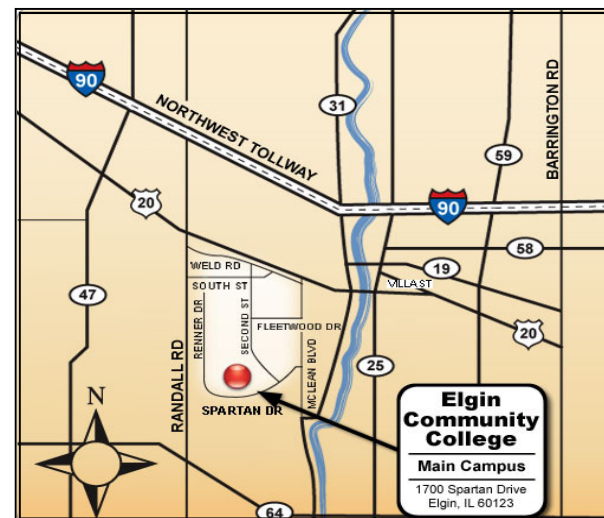
Tammy Boyer x 10 or
Tina Brandt x 14
815.964.0937 PHONE/TTY
815.964.2210 FAX
autism@thenia.org

For detailed directions please visit
www.mapquest.com

Location for the Series on 10/6/09 and 11/16/09
Giovanni's Restaurant and Convention Center
610 N. Bell School Road
Rockford, IL 61107
815.398.6411



Location for the Series on 10/7/09
Elgin Community College
UBC 141 Seigle Auditorium
1700 Spartan Drive
Elgin, IL 60123
847.931.3925



Working Together To Support Children With Autism

New This Year!
Additional Location

A Series of Topics on Autism 2009-2010



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