

About the Workshop

Linda Shriber Ed.D., OTR/L, will present an exciting half-day workshop discussing the genetic and neurological abnormalities that exist in autism. It appears that researchers agree that autism is caused by either abnormal brain structure, abnormal "organization" within the central nervous system or both. This presentation will provide the participant with a basic understanding of research that supports the genetic and neurological basis of autism. A primary focus will be on explaining the role of sensory systems and their relationship to observed behaviors. Practical applications that meet the individual's sensory needs will be shared.

Participants can go home with "to do" lists, which will be made available to them the day of the workshop. In addition, research that allows for understanding the therapeutic effect of sensory based interventions will also be reviewed.

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the neurobiological basis for the reactions and observable behaviors of individuals with autism.
2. Successfully list and apply appropriate sensory interventions based on the individual's observable needs.
3. Discuss the results of research that supports and/or refutes the use of sensory based intervention with individuals with autism.

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(ASWNY)
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You to Attend:

Understanding the Child with Autism from a Neurophysiological Perspective-

*The Role of Sensory Interventions In
Meeting Their Needs & Improving
Their Function*

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**Classics V
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**Preregistration
Rates**

\$15 Professionals

\$8 Parents &
Individuals w/ASD



**Saturday,
October 10, 2009
8:45am– 12:45pm**

About the Speaker

Linda Shriber, Ed D., OTR/L



Dr. Shriber is an Assistant Clinical Professor at the School of Public Health and Health Professions, Department of Rehabilitation Science at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo. A graduate of SUNY at Buffalo (B.S. '75, M.S. '83, and Ed.D. '95), Dr. Shriber has over 35 years experience in the field of

occupational therapy. She began her work as an Occupational Therapist providing Sensory Integration Therapy to children including those with ASD in a school setting. She is currently teaching occupational therapists at the undergraduate and graduate levels, while guiding students in research. Dr. Shriber is certified in Neurodevelopmental and Sensory Integration therapies, and has done numerous presentations on these topics as well as on her research to local, national, and international organizations.

Dr. Shriber is a member of the American Occupational Therapy Association, The N.Y.S. Occupational Therapy Association, Neurodevelopmental Therapy Association, and Sensory Integration International. She has been published in the American Journal of Occupational Therapy, Occupational Therapy in Healthcare, and Pediatric Physical Therapy.

Who Should Attend? Parents, family members, individuals with ASD, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, teachers, and other professionals interested in learning more about helping individuals with ASD and their families function with greater ease in our world.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

8:00-8:45: Registration, Continental Breakfast

8:45-9:00: Introduction

9:00– 10:30: The genetic and neurological basis of autism; The role of sensory systems.

10:30-10:45: Morning Break


10:45-12:30: Practical applications of sensory techniques; Research that discusses the therapeutic effect of sensory based interventions.

12:30-12:45: Q and A

Location: Classics V Conference Center is located at 2425 Niagara Falls Blvd. — One mile north of the Niagara Falls Blvd. Exit on the I-290 or Youngmann Hwy. On-site parking available. *Due to overwhelming response to previous workshops, carpooling is encouraged.*

Additional brochures are available online at www.autismwny.org or at www.autisticservices.org or call (716) 633-2275.

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This course is offered for .3 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate level; Related area).

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Name : _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Check for Certificate of attendance _____
Available day of conference ONLY

ASHA CEU Credit (for Speech-Language Pathologists): _____

Professionals: \$15

Parents/Individuals w/ASD: \$ 8

Scholarships Available for Parents or Individuals with ASD based on financial need. Call (716) 633-2275.

Late and Walk in registration IF available: \$25
After October 5, www.autismwny.org will contain updated information on registration availability under the EVENTS link or you may call (716) 633-2275.

Registration Deadline: October 5, 2009
Please note that there will be no refunds after this date.

Please note that you *must be PRE-REGISTERED* to be guaranteed a conference packet with handouts.

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