



FRIDAY APRIL 5TH

9am-10am

Room A

AUTISM IDENTIFICATION IN PRIMARY CARE PEDIATRICS

Speaker: Scott Atkins, D.O., UC Davis
MIND Institute

Incorporation of screening infants and children for autism spectrum disorder into pediatrics and family practice.

9am-10am

Room B

DEVELOPING & IMPLEMENTING INTERDISCIPLINARY PRACTICE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

Speaker: Dr. Lindsay Diamond, Ph.D.
U.N.R.

Importance in an interdisciplinary approach in early childhood settings to best identify and meet the needs of children with developmental and neurodiverse conditions.

**10:15am-
11:15am**

Room A

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING- KAISER PERMANENTE PERSPECTIVE

Speaker: Dr. John A. Salvato, M.D.,
FAAP Kaiser Permanente

Demographics, results, trends over time, and methods utilized by Kaiser in early detection of developmental concerns, as well as follow-up best practices.

**10:15am-
11:15am**

Room B

HELPING ALL OF US COPE, HEAL & THRIVE IN STRESSFUL TIMES

Speakers: Dr. Rachel Gilgoff, M.D.
& Dr. Elizabeth D. Grady, M.D.

Stress, trauma and anxiety reactions and symptoms in neurodiverse and typical children and adults, and techniques and research on various approaches to help increase self-regulation and decrease stress.

**11:15am-
12:15pm**

Room A

A UCD PROGRAM TO REDUCE MEDICAL TRAUMA & INCREASE ENGAGEMENT IN CARE

Speakers: Scott Atkins, D.O., UC Davis
MIND Institute &
Katharine Harlan Owens, PATH, UC Davis

PATH program; improve access and participation in healthcare by neurodiverse individuals and families by decreasing traumatic experiences with medical care.

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11:15am-

12:15pm

Room B

**TECHNIQUES/MODELS FOR
HANDLING MALADAPTIVE
BEHAVIORS**

Speakers: Hanadi Isbeih, BCBA
& Lesley Canizalez, BCBA

Coping skills, basic crisis intervention techniques, child-led relational intervention and methods that parents, caregivers, and non-behavioral providers can utilize in home situations or in the community

12:30pm-

1:30pm

Room A

**LUNCH PANEL:
"ASK A PEDIATRICIAN"**

Speakers: Dr. Gilgoff, Dr. Salvato,
Dr. Thomas, & Dr. Yang

This is your chance to ask questions of physicians from different healthcare organizations. Questions may be submitted in advance via email to Admin@SpecialCareServices.org

1:45pm-

3pm

Room A

**THE NEUROSEQUENTIAL
MODEL: UNDERSTANDING THE
COMPLEXITIES TO INFORM
PRACTICE**

Speaker: Susan Andrien, LMFT

Participants will be introduced to a framework that supports multi-disciplinary teams to understand the neurodevelopmental needs of children impacted by developmental trauma

3:15pm-

4:15pm

Room B

**O.T./S.L.P.: RECOGNITION &
INTERVENTIONS- SENSORY &
COMMUNICATION CONCERNS**

Speakers: Elyse Sutherland, M.A.,
CCC-SLP, & Tina Blythe, O.T.R

This session will provide tips and interventions for sensory and communication issues for families to help facilitate regulation and development in the home.

Registration, Resource Fair & Breakfast

7:45am-8:45am

- Breakfast/ Lunch
- Reliable wifi connection
- Unlimited coffee/ water
- Translation Services
- Resource and Vendor Fair
- Networking
- Conference Bags/ Goodies



SATURDAY APRIL 6TH

8am-9am

Room A

FAMILY DAY

Registration, Resource Fair, Breakfast,
Welcome & Announcements

Children and families with
special needs welcome!

**9:15am-
10am**

Room A

PREPARING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO INTERACT WITH FIRST RESPONDERS

Speaker: Dr. Lindsay Diamond, Ph.D.
U.N.R.

This session is for providers
as well as families/caregivers
to help with preparing kids
and adults to interact with
first responders to avoid
panic and stress in
emergency situations

**10am-
10:25am**

Room B/ Outside

FIRST RESPONDER MEET & GREET EXPERIENCE

Fire, Police Department &
Medic Ambulance

A sensory-friendly tour of a
Fire Engine, Police vehicle,
and ambulance while
interacting and educating
neurodiverse participants

**10:30am-
11:15am**

Room A

CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER- TAKING CARE OF YOU!

Speaker: Susan Andrien, LMFT

This session will explore
practical ways to help
prioritize your own health and
mental health so you can be
fully emotionally available to
those you treat, provide
services for, and/or love and
care for

**10:30am-
11:15am**

Room B/ Outside

SERVICE ANIMALS- INFORMATION & EXPERIENCE

Speakers: Chelsea Calabria, Co-Owner and
Head Trainer at Rockem & Chantel- Hold
Your Horses Evac & Rescue Handler

Service, Therapy, and
Emotional Support Animals,
training options, and benefits
for children and adults with
special needs. Meet and
interact with support animals,
such as miniature horse,
Baby Skittles!

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SATURDAY APRIL 6TH

11:15am-

12pm

Room A

EDUCATION/ EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS

Speakers: Dr. Pam Lindsey,
Rachelle Franko, & Jenny Gonzalez

Education and Employment/Job training options for I/DD and neurodiverse adults and teens aging out of the children's systems... What's Next?

11:15am-

12pm

Room B

ADAPTED CPR INTRO

Speaker: Hannah Davis, B.A., BLS,
First Aid Instructor

Adapted CPR Intro Demo and Practice for teens and adults who learn differently. Learn basic techniques of First Aid & CPR to help save a life

12pm-
12:45pm

Room A

LUNCH PANEL AND Q&A: EXPERIENCED SPECIAL NEEDS PARENTS

Speakers: Angel Hixson, Isaac Dailey,
Erica Hurtado & Michelle Slape

Parents and family members share valuable words of wisdom, tips and advocacy to support special needs families. Bring your questions and they will have answers!

12:45pm-
1:30pm

Room A

RESOURCES: NORTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER, SELPA AND Q&A

Speakers: Melissa Guevara, Solano
SELPA, Beth DeWitt NBRC &
Guadalupe Lopez NBRC

Eligibility criteria, how to be evaluated, and services available through the State of CA Department of Developmental Services through the California Regional Center system, as well as school special education systems. Birth thru old age

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