



## Training and Events Calendar April 2010

**Attention parents and family members! Take note of the events highlighted in yellow.**

**All events are open to parents/family members and professionals (unless otherwise noted).**

Information on how to register for events is available from the sponsoring organizations.

**April 2, 2010:** Autism Spectrum Disorders: Guidelines for Effective Interventions Project: What the research tells us and tips for selecting interventions appropriate to your children or clients. Sponsored by Collaborative Autism Training and Support Programs. Fridays 9-11am, Becoming Independent, 1425 Corporate Center Pkwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Drop in welcome. (Voluntary, tax-deductible contribution).

**April 6, 2010:** Marin Autism Lecture Series: Understanding the postsecondary needs of students with ASD. Sponsored by the Marin Autism Collaborative, San Rafael, CA. For registration: <http://signup.marinschools.org>. For more information, call or email: Karen Kaplan, 415-497-3751 [karensupportsu@comcast.net](mailto:karensupportsu@comcast.net) (Fee).

**April 13, 20, 27, and May 4, 2010:** Empowering Families with Knowledge and Tools to Promote Their Children's Development – series of 4 classes for parents of children birth to age 5 with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. Sponsored by Kaiser Permanente. Kaiser Permanente Pleasanton, Pleasanton, CA. For more information, call 866-248-0721 (toll free). (Fee; **open to Kaiser members only**).

**April 16, 2010:** How to Work Together for the Best Services in these Financially Strapped Times: SCOE and Regional Center personnel and lawyers brainstorm limitations, laws and possibilities. Sponsored by Collaborative Autism Training and Support Programs. Fridays 9-11am, Becoming Independent, 1425 Corporate Center Pkwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Drop in welcome. (Voluntary, tax-deductible contribution).

**April 17, 2010:** STAR Conference on Autism For Parents Children Birth to Eight. Sponsored by California CADDRE, CARE Parent Network, Children's Hospital & Research Center-Oakland, and other organizations. Programs for Exceptional Children at Marcus Foster School, Oakland, CA. For more information or to be put on the mailing list: call 510-741-5440 (Fee).

**April 17, 2010:** 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Early Learning Conference: Cherish the Child, Value the Family. Sponsored by the Contra Costa Child Care Council. Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill, CA. For more information: <http://www.cocokids.org/training/conferences/> (Fee).

**April 18-21, 2010:** Excellence in Early Childhood Educational Leadership (EXCEL) Seminars. Sponsored by Special Education Early Childhood Administrators Project (SEECAP). Kellogg West Center, Pomona, CA. Register on-line by February 10th: <http://www.sdcoe.net/seecap>, email Kathleen Finn at [kfinn@sdcoe.net](mailto:kfinn@sdcoe.net) or call 760-761-5526. (Fee).

**April 22-24, 2010:** Early Intervention: Practices that Make a Difference. Sponsored by the Infant Development Association of California. Riverside Convention Center, Riverside, CA. For information: <http://www.idaofcal.org> (Fee).

**April 23, 2010:** Person-Centered Planning: How to gather information for effectively individualizing support of children and adults with autism spectrum disorders. Sponsored by Collaborative Autism Training and Support Programs. Fridays 9-11am, Becoming Independent, 1425 Corporate Center Pkwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Drop in welcome. (Voluntary, tax-deductible contribution).

**April 28, 2010:** Social skills training in high-functioning adolescents with autism spectrum disorders: Important issues and future directions. Speaker: Marjorie Solomon, Ph.D. Sponsored by UC Davis M.I.N.D Institute. M.I.N.D Institute Auditorium, Sacramento, CA. For more information: contact Terri Contenti, (916) 703-0289 (Free).

**April 30, 2010:** What It's Like to Live with Autism: Adults with autism spectrum diagnoses share their experiences and answer questions from an insider's perspective. Sponsored by Collaborative Autism Training and Support Programs. Fridays 9-11am, Becoming Independent, 1425 Corporate Center Pkwy, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Drop in welcome. (Voluntary, tax-deductible contribution).

**May 11, 2010:** Marin Autism Lecture Series: New Models for Understanding and Treating Autism. Sponsored by the Marin Autism Collaborative, San Rafael, CA. For registration: <http://signup.marinschools.org>. For more information, call or email: Karen Kaplan, 415-497-3751 [karensupportsu@comcast.net](mailto:karensupportsu@comcast.net) (Fee).

**May 11-12, 2010:** Early Start Skillbuilder II: Facilitating Health & Movement. Sponsored by WestEd Center for Prevention and Early Intervention. Crowne Plaza, Foster City, CA. For more information and registration: <http://wested.org/cpei> (Fee).

**May 12, 2010:** CARE Parent Network Early Education Council. Speaker: Joann Rossi, CCCOE, early intervention program review and update. Sponsored by CARE Parent Network. Conference Room (Bldg 1340), CARE Parent Network office complex, Martinez, CA. Call 925-313-0999, Ext.107 for more information. (Free)

**May 15, 2010:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Autism Spectrum Disorder Update. Sponsored by Stanford School of Medicine and Lucile Packard Children's Hospital. Frances C. Arrillaga Alumni Center, Stanford University, CA. For more information and registration: <http://childpsychiatry.stanford.edu> (Fee).

**June 8-9, 2010:** Early Start Skillbuilder III: Facilitating Cognition & Early Learning. Sponsored by WestEd Center for Prevention and Early Intervention. Crowne Plaza, Foster City, CA. For more information and registration: <http://wested.org/cpei> (Fee).

**June 20-26, 2010:** Program for Infant/Toddler Care Trainer Institutes, Modules I & II. Sponsored by PITC. Berkeley, CA. For applications and information: <http://www.pitc.org> (Fee).

**June 25-28, 2010:** SAVE THE DATE -- West Coast CP Conference. Sponsored by Cerebral Palsy Group. San Jose, CA. For more information: email Molly Kennedy @KennedyMolly@att.net. (Fee)

**August 14, 2010:** SAVE THE DATE -- Congreso Familiar. Chabot College, Oakland, CA. More information will be available in the coming months. Families in Contra Costa County, contact: Cecilia Zepeda at 925-313-0999 x108.