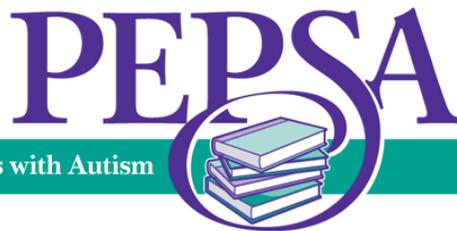




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## It's All About Independent Functioning! Using Technology to Develop Critical Life-Skills for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Presented by Susan K. Lewis Stokes, M.A., CCC-SLP

September 19, 2011  
8:30 am – 3:30 pm

UCF Center for Autism and Related Disabilities  
12424 Research Parkway, Suite 170  
Orlando, FL 32826

**This is a remote location to view the webinar**

### About the Presenter

**Susan K. Lewis Stokes, M.A., CCC-SLP** has specialized in the area of autism spectrum disorder as both a speech/language pathologist and autism consultant for 25 years. She has presented at many state and national workshops/conferences, and frequently provides trainings and support related to all aspects of ASD to various groups and school districts across the country. Susan is the author of Autism: Interventions and Strategies for Success, a Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction publication available at [www.cesa7.k12.wi.us/sped/autism/index2.htm](http://www.cesa7.k12.wi.us/sped/autism/index2.htm)

### Presentation Description

Are you struggling with teaching your students (and the adults who support them) *independent* functioning skills? If so, this training is for you! A primary goal when teaching students with ASD is to decrease dependence on adults. However, this can be quite challenging in school-based settings where the educational climate fosters adult support. For our students with ASD, who by the nature of their disability can become quite “prompt-dependent”, this instructional style can be extremely detrimental, resulting in life-long ramifications. This training will address how to appropriately use adult support to *teach* independent functioning skills. Numerous, practical evidence-based techniques using various modes of technology designed to increase the independent functioning skills of our students with ASD will be shared. A unique educational planning guide designed to assist teams in identifying contexts and situations that require adult support, necessitating the need for instruction and development of independent skills will also be given.

### DIRECTIONS TO TRAINING LOCATION

Research Pavilion:  
From Alafaya Trail, go onto Research Parkway. Research Pavilion will be on the right side of the road almost at the end.

For door to door directions, visit mapquest or Google maps

*Be sure to contact your ESE District Staff or Staff Development Contact to determine the process for receiving in-service.*

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**\*\*PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY\*\***  
**\*\*\* Registration is limited to 18 participants\*\*\***

**DEADLINE: September 18, 2011**

Register online at  
<http://doepartnership.usf.edu/trainings.asp>

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