

Professional Development

Summer Institute – Supporting Adults with Fragile X and or ASD

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About the Presenter

Dr. Marcia L. Braden is a licensed psychologist with a specialty in children and adolescents. She is a former teacher and has taught general and special education. She consults with local school districts and trains staff in behavioral methodology and educational strategies. She has written and published numerous articles related to education and behavior management strategies, techniques, and interventions. She has authored and co-authored many books related to these topics and developed several educational tools and products to teach reading, math, and social skills to people with Fragile X Syndrome (FXS) and other related disorders. She is a member of the scientific and clinical advisory board to The National Fragile X Foundation, the German FX Association and Fragile X International. Dr. Braden has presented at numerous conferences and workshops about fragile x syndrome, autism, and other related disorders throughout the US and around the world.

Training Description

Target Audience: Educators, administrators, and family members

This webinar will focus on creating support for those individuals who have graduated from high school or a school transition program (ages 18-22). Too often, the gap grows as people with FXS or autism wait for services after graduating. Additionally, wasted time often precludes adults from accessing community based social activities as well as vocational opportunities as they grow older. This webinar will examine ways to help adults develop skills and utilize strategies which can be employed at any time during their lifespan. Discussion about common barriers such as lack of skill acquisition. Motivation to learn new skills, anxiety and lack of independence will be addressed. The participants will understand basic differences in etiology to provide effective intervention and positive support.

Training Objectives

Participants will be able to learn and understand:

- The etiology of FXS and the differential diagnosis of FXS and autism
- To recognize barriers to independence and develop strategies to successfully support gain independence.
- The neurobiology of anxiety in FXS and realize ways to ameliorate symptoms.



Date: July, 6, 2023 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Location: Virtual Workshop

Registration Deadline: July 5, 2023 Limited to first 400 participants

Register <u>Here</u> *Registration is mandatory.*

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