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Davie, Florida

PARA POWER: SUPPORTING STUDENTS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER THE BEHAVIOR AND COMMUNICATION CONNECTION

Presented by: Dr. Robin Parker and Dr. Marlene Sotelo

September 25, 2013

8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Registration begins at 8:00 am

**Nova Southeastern
University**
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About the Presenter

Dr. Robin Parker is a Program Professor and clinical supervisor in the Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders at Nova Southeastern University. She is the consulting director of the UM-NSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities, Nova Satellite. She received her B.S. and M.S. at Florida State University. She received her doctorate from Nova Southeastern University.

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Training Description

This presentation is designed primarily for paraprofessionals working with students with Autism Spectrum Disorder who are supported in the general education environment from elementary through middle/high school or in a self-contained classroom. The workshop represents work and materials that address strategies to promote communication all day long, prevent and respond to challenging behavior, and to promote participation with minimal prompting. All participants will receive a link to a DROPBOX "Tool Kit" with visual supports, communication boards, behavior support tools and other materials to utilize with students.

Training Objectives

As a result of this training, participants will understand:

- how to better determine the function of challenging behavior
- that all behavior is a form of communication
- how to prevent and respond to challenging behavior
- how to develop strategies to reduce the need for prompting
- how to promote communication all day long

Registration Information:

**REGISTRATION IS
MANDATORY**

DEADLINE: September 25, 2013
Limited to first 40 participants

Register online at

www.doepartnership.org/trainings.cfm

For more information contact:

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Directions: TBA

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