**Panama City, Florida**

**SKILLS FOR SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER**

Presented by: John Miller, M.S. Hosted by: FSU CARD

**About the Presenter**

**John Miller, M.S.** was born in Montreal, Quebec in 1968. During his childhood, he worked hard to overcome many academic and social obstacles. He decided to get a master’s degree in special education to help young people succeed academically and in life. During this period, he was diagnosed with autism which answered many questions. For over a decade he has taught students with varying degrees of ASD. Beyond teaching, he has consulted to help create pragmatic and organizational programs for individuals with ASD. He has presented on a variety topics, including pragmatics, inclusion, and transition. Presently, he sits on the Florida board of the Autism Society and the Florida Atlantic University CARD Constituency Committee. In September, he became a member of an education and programming committee at Autism Society of America. His book, Decoding Dating, which focuses on dating and relationships for males with high-functioning ASD, will be published in November 2014.

**Training Description**

**Target Audience:** teachers, professionals, and parents of children with ASD

These four topics will be discussed during this training:

- **Building a Bridge Toward Success: An Integrative Model for Inclusion for Students With High-Functioning ASD**
- **A Guide to the Perplexed: Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges of Adulthood**
- **Decoding Dating: A Practical Guide on Dating and Relationships for Males With High-Functioning ASD**
- **ASD and the Myth of Normality**

**Training Objectives**

Participants will:

- Examine the strategies and steps to make inclusion a less stressful and more rewarding experience.
- Explore what skills and strategies are needed for a successful transition to adulthood for individuals with high-functioning ASD.
- Examine dating etiquette, interacting with friends and family, personality types, and sexuality
- Discuss stereotypes of individuals with ASD in comparison to others in society.

**Registration Information**

**REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY**

**DEADLINE:** November 10, 2014
Limited to first 100 participants

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