

Gainesville, FL

WHICH ROAD IS TO BE TAKEN: A CRITICAL LOOK AT THE TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH HIGH-FUNCTIONING AUTISM & ASPERGER'S

Presented by: John Miller Hosted by UF CARD Gainesville

June 17, 2016

12:45 pm – 2:15 pm Registration begins at 12:30 pm Santa Fe College Building S Room 326

Student Services Bldg., 3rd Floor 3000 NW 83 Street Gainesville, FL 32606

About the Presenter

John Miller 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 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 autism in various settings. Beyond teaching, he has consulted and created pragmatic and organizational programs for individuals with autism. Presently, he sits on the Florida

board of the Autism Society and the Florida Atlantic University CARD Constituency Committee.

Training Description

Adults with high-functioning autism face many obstacles to establishing stability and independence in their lives. Drawing on his own experiences the presenter will explore what skills and strategies are needed for a successful transition to adulthood for individuals with high–functioning autism. The presentation will be wide ranging examining education, employment, finding and keeping a job, making friends, relationships, and managing finances. Attendees will learn through practical steps how an individual with autism can develop the skills, tools and self-confidence needed to succeed.

Training Objectives

Participants will learn:

- The difficulties that individuals with autism face during the transition to adulthood.
- Strategies to foster a successful transition to adulthood.
- Important skills to become more independent.

TARGET AUDIENCE: EDUCATORS, ADMINISTRATORS, PROFESSIONALS, INDIVIDUALS WITH ASD, & FAMILY MEMBERS





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Registration Information: REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY

DEADLINE: June 16, 2016 Limited to first 90 participants

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