

Jacksonville, FL

Overcoming Anxiety and Reducing Bullying in Children and Teens

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About the Presenter

Jed Baker, Ph.D., is the director of the Social Skills Training Project, a private organization serving individuals with autism and social communication problems. He is on the professional advisory board of Autism Today, ASPEN, ANSWER, YAI, the Kelberman Center, and several other autism organizations. In addition, he writes, lectures, and provides training internationally on the topic of social skills training and managing challenging behaviors. He is an award-winning author of five books, including *Social Skills Training for Children and Adolescents with Asperger's Syndrome and Social Communication Problems; Preparing for Life: The Complete Handbook for the Transition to Adulthood for Those with Autism and Asperger's Syndrome; and No More Meltdowns: Positive Strategies for Managing and Preventing Out-of-Control Behavior.* His work has also been featured on ABC World News, Nightline, the CBS Early Show, and the Discovery Health Channel.

Training Description

Target Audience: Teachers, Professionals, and Parents of Persons with Autism and Related Disabilities

Registration Information:

REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY

DEADLINE: June 6, 2018 Limited to first 80 participants

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A comprehensive approach to treating anxiety is described, including: motivating clients to participate, educating them about their anxiety, setting up fear ladders, motivating gradual exposure, using "think like a scientist" strategies, incorporating exercise and mindfulness, and considering biomedical tools. In addition, ways to reduce bullying both in school and online are presented.

Training Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Understand the neurobiology of anxiety and implications for treatment.
- Identify ways to facilitate gradual exposure therapy.
- Design fear ladders and "think like a scientist" strategies for a variety of anxiety disorders.
- Describe how to adapt treatment for less verbal clients.





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