

# **Professional Development**

# Leveling UP! Comprehensive Support for Emotional Regulation

Presenters: Amy Laurent, PhD, OTR/L & Jacquelyn Fede, PhD Hosted by: UM-NSU CARD

# **About the Presenters**

**Amy Laurent**, PhD, OTR/L specializes in the education of autistic children. Her work involves creating learning environments designed to facilitate children's active engagement at home, in schools, & in their communities. She is a co-author of the SCERTS model & frequently lectures around the globe. She is passionate about neurodiversity & helping others to honor & understand the implications of "different ways of being" in relation to navigating the physical & social world. Amy strives to practice what she preaches & uses her love of play, dance, & movement to meet her own regulatory needs.

**Jacquelyn Fede**, PhD is a super fun, autistic self-advocate, developmental psychologist & program evaluator. Her research interests include immigration policy, autism, & community engagement. She uses her experience to help educate others about autism through lecturing, blogging & consulting on evaluation projects. A full scholarship Division 1 athlete in college, Dr. Fede continues to meet her sensory needs by seeking extreme physical activity. She also enjoys the use of creativity & art for expression.

# **Training Description**

#### Target Audience: Educators, administrators, SLP's, OT's and family members

This session introduces a comprehensive suite of emotional regulation supports developed by Autism Level UP! Participants will have interactive opportunities use the tools/strategies presented while considering an autistic individual in their lives. Modifications for the supports will be discussed for individuals at a variety of developmental levels (e.g., students who are not yet communicating using words, those who are emerging language learners, and those who are conversational).

# **Training Objectives**

Participants will be able to:

- Discuss an individual's energy levels and the impact of these levels and environmental factors on active engagement.
- Explain at least 4 strategies that can be used to support emotional regulation.
- Identify factors impacting a person's energy level & how these factors may pose challenges or provide support, depending on context.
- Create an emotional regulation support plan for an autistic individual in their lives.



**Date:** April 4, 2020 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

## Location:

## **OFFERED ONLINE ONLY**

**Registration Deadline:** April 3, 2020 Limited to first 400 participants

#### **Register Online:**

http://doepartnership.fmhi.usf.edu/ trainings.html

#### Registration is mandatory.

A link to Join the Training online will be sent via email after registering

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