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

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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. He is 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, was published in November 2014.

Training Description

TARGET AUDIENCE: ESE Educators, Autism Specialists, Professionals and Family Members

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 & 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 be able to:

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