

Professional Development

FAU Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

Sensory Processing: Understanding the Sensory System

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About the Presenter

Michelle DeJesus is a pediatric occupational therapist at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Outpatient Rehabilitation Center in Hollywood, FL. Michelle has been working at JDCH OP Rehabilitation for the past 5 years, working with children of all ages (birth-18 years old) with varying diagnoses including autism, ADHD, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and more. Specifically, she displays special interest in early intervention and neurorehabilitation for children. Michelle also has experiencing working in daycares, prescribed pediatric extended care centers (PPEC), and home health settings. She has pursued several trainings and certifications in her years of practice pertaining to pediatric brain development, neuroplasticity techniques, iLS focus system, constraint induced movement therapy, family-centered-care, and primitive reflex integration.

Training Description

Target Audience: (Educators, Speech and Language Therapists, Board Certified Behavior Analysts, Mental Health and Behavioral Health Therapists & providers, other Professionals and Parents may also attend.)

This presentation will provide a basic understanding of sensory processing as it pertains to early childhood development. This presentation will educate parents, early childhood teachers, and caretakers on the various sensory systems, signs of sensory dysfunction, and provide education and general recommendations for identifying and addressing sensory processing challenges in the child.

Training Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify All Eight Sensory Systems.
- Understanding Sensory Integration/ Sensory Processing.
- Differentiating between the different types of sensory input.
- Recognizing sensory dysfunction and when to refer to a specialist.
- Provide examples of sensory strategies to improve children's participation in every day meaningful tasks.

Date: June 1-30, 2024

Location:

Online, pre-recorded, 60-minute webinar

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