

Kick off: free web training in social skills for anyone who requests the password

Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders *

Educational Description resources for describing ASD needs

Social Skills Training Strategies*: incidental teaching, structured learning, social skill picture books, cognitive-picture rehearsal, social stories, video review and ABA strategies

Social skills assessment tools* overviewed including J. Baker, Bellini, Coucouvanis, Gresham and Elliot, and Quill's tools

Ideas for addressing social skills IEPs in inclusive settings*

Demonstration lessons: costs payoffs consequence training*; inclusive lunch bunch interpreting facial expressions

Information about peer training and accessing visual supports using STAR, SODA, five point scale etc.

Family involvement in social skills

***Lecture is closed captioned**

Free follow-up training, implementation support, and resources provided to beginning level social skills providers

Who: Interested teams of three people (two local district staff and accompanying Autism Resource Team support person) who complete viewing the password protected website content

Applications: The team of three people will be eligible to complete an application for additional social skills support. Applications appear on line in the Moodle website. One application per AEA region will be selected to attend training and receive applicable resources.

Follow-up training: Choose:

Two days of training with:
Scott Bellini
focusing on systematic programming, foundations, what research says about social skills training, applied strategies, and video modeling hands on practice
OR

Stephanie Madrigal
focusing on cognitive thinking and perspective taking strategies

Regional Autism Services Program: Topics in Autism presents

Social Skills Training
On Line Content with Options for Continued Team Training Targeting School Aged Individuals with ASD

April through May 31, 2010 ending June 30, 2011

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Register interest to receive the password to enter the site by e-mailing sue-baker@uiowa.edu

Or register online at www.medicine.uiowa.edu/autismservices.
Click on learning opportunities

Target Audience: special educators, general educators, AEA support staff, parents, and community providers who are interested in providing intensive social skills training (SST) for ASD youngsters. Participants who complete on line training are eligible to apply for two days of free face to face training by two popular national presenters during beginning of August 2010



Receive site and password April 1

PURPOSE: to increase the number of programs providing intensive social skills training for the ASD learner

OBJECTIVES: increase awareness of SST strategies via on line learning for anyone interested; identify expanded participants, as a building team, to attend additional targeted training with a commitment to develop a recognized intensive social skills programming for ASD learners.

Two ways to participate

Anyone interested in learning more about social skills training for groups of individuals can view this course beginning April 1, 2010 through May 31, 2012. It will not be organized by tasks that must be accomplished in a set schedule over this time period, but information will be available for participants to view anytime throughout this period.

Outcomes at this level: **Any interested individuals** will gain knowledge, information, and resource links about why social skills training is needed for this population, overview of social skills group strategies, exposure to visual supports being used, peer supports, and appropriate assessment tools to begin effective group social skills training. No follow-up or implementation support is provided.

Specific individuals in Iowa's public schools or AEAs interested in participating in the **Beginning Level Social Skills Provider** option will need to

view the course from April 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010 to be eligible to complete the application for the Department of Education/Autism Services two day training offered August 3-4 or 5-6, 2010.

Outcomes at this level: **Beginning Intensive Social Skills Teams:** Individuals in the school setting across Iowa (local school and AEA support persons) can apply for an additional two day face to face training in social thinking and perspective taking or systematic social skills programming with implementation of video modeling, peer mediated training, social narratives, and prompting. This application process begins once a commitment has been made to become an intensive social skill provider (2-3 times/week lessons lasting a minimum of 15 minutes but hopefully up to 40 minutes) for the ASD population.

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ON line learning options: U of Iowa .4 CEU's or a 4 hr participant certificate.
Two ways to participate:
Anyone interested can take the class
Teams of district and AEA staff who wish to teach social skills classes and desire free training and resources

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FREE staff development over the web!



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