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SUMMIT 2013

**Advances and Best Practices in
AUTISM ■ LEARNING DISABILITIES ■ ADHD**

A CUTTING EDGE CONFERENCE FEATURING 30 LEADING EXPERTS

Friday, October 25 & Saturday, October 26
Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles

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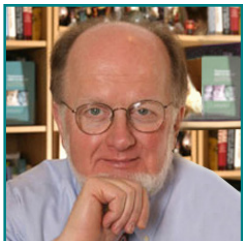
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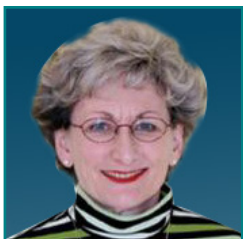
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ABOUT SUMMIT 2013

The Help Group's Summit 2013 is a cutting edge conference that features 30 leading experts in basic and applied research, and evidence-based best practices in assessment, intervention and treatment. Widely recognized for the scope, depth and caliber of its offerings, the Summit is designed for educators, clinicians/therapists and parents. Each year, the program provides a rich and informative experience to its attendees. We are pleased to share our conference schedule with you and look forward to your joining us.

SESSION SCHEDULE

CONCURRENT SESSIONS **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM - 8:15 AM

Opening Proceedings

8:15 AM - 9:45 AM

1A Improving Communication for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Connie Kasari, PhD

1B What Research Has Taught Us About Effective Intervention for Children and Adolescents Who Are Struggling Readers (Part I)

Maureen Lovett, PhD, C. Psych

1C Advances in Virtual Reality and New Technologies for Childhood Health Conditions

Albert "Skip" Rizzo, PhD

Associate Director & Research Professor,
USC Institute for Creative Technologies

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM

2A Brain Plasticity and its Implications for Early Intervention

Robert Bilder, PhD, ABPP

2B What Research Has Taught Us About Effective Intervention for Children and Adolescents Who Are Struggling Readers (Part 2)

Maureen Lovett, PhD, C. Psych

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

2C Emerging Knowledge About Environmental Exposures and Risk for Autism

Irva Hertz-Picciotto, PhD, MPH

Professor & Director

Program in Environmental Epidemiology of Autism and Neurodevelopment, UC Davis MIND Institute

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM **BREAK**

11:15 AM - 12:30 PM

3A How Our Understanding of ADHD is Changing

Thomas E. Brown, PhD

3B Pivotal Response Treatment for Young Children with ASD

Daniel Openden, PhD, BCBA-D

President & CEO

Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Luncheon Special Presentation

Ahmanson Ballroom

1:30 PM - 2:45 PM

4A Selecting Effective Treatments for ADHD: What, Where, and Why

Sandra Loo, PhD

Director of Pediatric Neuropsychology, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, UCLA

4B Linking Genes, Brain and Behavior in Autism

Susan Bookheimer, PhD

Joaquin Fuster Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles

2:45 PM - 4:00 PM

5A Socially Assistive Robots as Therapeutic Tools for Children with ASD

Maja Mataric, PhD

Professor of Computer Science, Neuroscience and Pediatrics, USC

5B Sensory Enrichment Therapy as an Effective Treatment for Autism

Michael Leon, PhD

Professor, Center for Autism Research and Treatment
Department of Neurobiology and Behavior, UC Irvine

5C No Stone Unturned:

How Do Families Make Treatment Decisions

Daniel Openden, PhD, BCBA-D

President & CEO

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4:00 PM - 4:15 PM **BREAK**

4:15 PM - 5:30 PM

6A Initiatives to Foster Evidence-Based Best Practices in Education and Treatment

The Help Group-UCLA Autism Research Alliance

Elizabeth Laugeson, PsyD

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Jeff Wood, PhD

Associate Professor of Human Development & Psychology, and Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sciences, UCLA
UCLA Center for Autism Research and Treatment

6B Reading Disability Alone and Reading Disability Alongside Giftedness: An Overview on Genetics and Neurology for Practitioners

Jeff Gilger, PhD

Professor/Chair, Department of Psychology,
UC Merced

6C Sleep Disturbances in Children with ASD: Assessment and Treatment Strategies

William Sharp, PhD

Feeding Disorders Program Director and
Assistant Professor, Marcus Autism Center and
Emory University

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM - 9:15 AM

1A Smart but Stuck: Emotions in Teens and Adults with ADHD

Thomas E. Brown, PhD

1B Genetic Findings in Autism: Toward a Biological Understanding

Dan Campbell, PhD

Assistant Professor, Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences

Zilkha Neurogenetic Institute, USC

1C The Neurology of ASD: Implications for the Diagnosis & Treatment of Epilepsy, Sleep Disturbances & Motor Impairment

Shafali Spurling Jeste, MD

Assistant Professor in Psychiatry and Neurology, UCLA Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Behavior, UCLA Center for Autism Research and Treatment

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM

2A Using Technology and Scaffolding for Students with Math Difficulties

Philip Levin, PhD

Program Director, The Help Group – UCLA Neuropsychology Program

Bina Varughese, MS

Summit View School, Coordinator of Educational Services

2B Advancing Brain Research to Identify Treatments for Autism

Cynthia Schumann, PhD

Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, School of Medicine UC Davis MIND Institute

2C Feeding Problems in Autism: Evidence-Based Approaches to Intervention

William Sharp, PhD

Feeding Disorders Program Director and Assistant Professor, Marcus Autism Center and Emory University

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

3A Bilingualism and Neuropsychological Assessment: Trends and Future Directions

Xavier E. Cagigas, PhD

UCLA Health Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor & Director, Cultural Neuropsychology Initiative

3B The Science of Making Friends: Helping Socially Challenged Teens and Adults

Elizabeth Laugeson, PsyD

Director, The Help Group-UCLA Autism Research Alliance
Director, UCLA PEERS Clinic

3C Let's Get to Work: Best Practices in Employment Training for Young People

Louis A. Vismara, MD

Senior Policy Advisor to Senator Darrell Steinberg
President Pro Tem, California Senate
Co-Founder, UC Davis MIND Institute

Pamela Clark, MA

Director, Autism Schools, The Help Group

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM

4A Pharmacological Management of ASD and ADHD

Michael Enenbach, MD

Assistant Clinical Professor, UCLA Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry

4B Incorporating Sensory Processing Functions in Early Intervention Programs

Erna Imperatore Blanche PhD, OTR/ L, FAOTA

Associate Professor of Clinical Practice
Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, USC

4C Using Tablet Technology to Create Content for Children with Special Needs

Eric Sillers MA, CCC-SLP

Speech-Language Pathologist, Expressive Solutions, San Diego, CA

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SESSION SELECTION

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

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- ☐ Friday & Saturday \$185
☐ Friday Only \$155
☐ Saturday Only \$90

Please select one

☐ PSY ☐ SLP ☐ MFT ☐ LPCC ☐ LEP ☐ LCSW ☐ OT ☐ BCBA/BCaBA/BCBA-D

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☐ Friday Only \$110
☐ Saturday Only \$75

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Not seeking CE's

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RATE

- ☐ Friday & Saturday \$100
☐ Friday Only \$80
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The Help Group reserves the right to change elements of the Summit. Refunds will be made if a written request is received by October 19, 2013. Registration fees will be refunded less a \$25.00 processing charge. No refunds will be made after October 19, 2013.

For Professionals Seeking Continuing Educational Credits

The Help Group is pleased to offer continuing education credits for Summit 2013. According to the guidelines set forth by accrediting organizations, professionals seeking credit must sign in prior to the opening proceedings on Friday and before the first session on Saturday, and must sign out at the conclusion of each day's program.

Please note that check-in for professionals will begin both Friday and Saturday at 7:00 a.m. We encourage those seeking credits to arrive at the Skirball Center no later than 7:45 a.m. to ensure a timely check-in. No partial credits will be given.

Psychologists

The Help Group is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Help Group maintains responsibility for the program and its content. This course is eligible for up to 13 hours of continuing education credits. (Provider #1444) **Friday = 8 CE credits. Saturday = 5 CE credits.**

Occupational Therapists

The Help Group is approved by The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc. (AOTA) to assign Continuing Education units for occupational therapists. This course is eligible for up to 1.3 CE units. The assignment of AOTA CE units does not imply endorsement of specific course content, products or clinical procedures by AOTA. (Provider #6193)

Friday = .8 CEUs Saturday = .5 CEUs



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The Help Group is an accredited provider for continuing education credits for MFTs, LPCCs, LEPs and LCSWs. This course meets the qualifications for up to 13 hours of continuing education credits as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. (Provider # PCE940)

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Speech-Language Pathologists

This course meets the qualifications for up to 13 hours of continuing professional development credits for Speech-Language Pathologists as required by the California Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology Board. (Provider #PDP86) **Friday = 8 CPDs Saturday = 5 CPDs**

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The Help Group is an approved provider of Type 2 Continuing Education units by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board for BCBAs, BCaBAs and BCBA-Ds. Friday's program (Sessions 1A, 3B, 4B, 5C and 6C) qualifies for 7.5 Type 2 CE units and Saturday's program (Sessions 1C, 2C, 3C and 4C) for 6 Type 2 CE units. (Provider #OP-12-2163)

Friday = 7.5 CE units Saturday = 6 CE units

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The Help Group provides Certificates of Attendance at the conclusion of each day's program for attendees. If you would like a certificate, please stop by the registration table at the end of the day to pick one up.

If you have questions about continuing education, please contact events@thehelpgroup.org or call 818.779.5212.



Dr. David Amaral at The Help Group Summit



The Help Group-UCLA Autism Research Alliance panel

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Renowned for its architectural design and naturalistic setting, the Skirball Cultural Center is a unique and inviting site for a conference. Located on more than 15 acres, it has been home to The Help Group's Summit for the past eight years.



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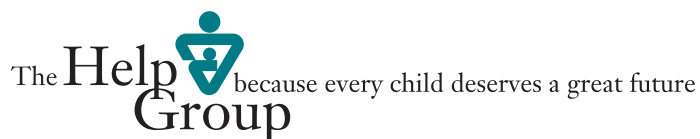
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Founded in 1975, The Help Group is the largest, most innovative and comprehensive nonprofit of its kind in the United States serving children with special needs related to autism spectrum disorder, learning disabilities, ADHD, developmental delays, abuse and emotional problems.

The Help Group's nine specialized day schools offer pre-K through high school programs for more than 1,500 students. Its broad range of mental health and therapy services, child abuse and residential programs extends its reach to more than 6,000 children and their families each year. With more than 950 staff members, The Help Group's state-of-the-art schools and programs are located on seven campuses in the Los Angeles area.

The Help Group is widely regarded for its high standards of excellence, unique scope and breadth of services. Through its public awareness, professional training and parent education programs and efforts at the state and national levels, The Help Group touches the lives of children with special needs across the country and in other parts of the world.

At the heart of its efforts is the commitment to helping young people fulfill their potential to lead positive, productive and rewarding lives.



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