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

Program Information & Online Registration Available at www.thehelpgroup.org
**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

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM
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

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
Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center

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
Director, The Help Group-UCLA Autism Research Alliance Director, UCLA PEERS Clinic
Jane Tavyev Asher, MD
Director, Pediatric Neurology, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Bruce L. Baker, PhD
Distinguished Professor & Chair, Department of Psychology, UCLA
Jan Blacher, PhD
Distinguished Professor & UC Presidential Chair, UC Riverside
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
SESSION SCHEDULE continued

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 Sailers MA, CCC-SLP
Speech-Language Pathologist, Expressive Solutions, San Diego, CA
**SESSION SELECTION**

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS**
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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**
- 8:15AM-9:45AM
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  - 3A  3B
- 1:30PM-2:45PM
  - 4A  4B
- 2:45PM-4:00PM
  - 5A  5B  5C
- 4:15PM-5:30PM
  - 6A  6B  6C

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To qualify for EARLY BIRD RATES, registration and payment must be received at The Help Group by September 30th.

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The Help Group is committed to making Summit 2013 accessible to all individuals. If you anticipate needing assistance while at the conference, please contact events@thehelpgroup.org

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

Social Workers & Therapists
The Help Group is an accredited provider for continuing education credits for MFTs, LPCs, 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) Friday = 8 CE hours  Saturday = 5 CE hours

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

Behavior Analyst Practitioners
The Help Group is an approved provider of Type 2 Continuing Education units by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board for 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

Certificates of Attendance
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
CONFERENCE LOCATION

Skirball Cultural Center
2701 N. Sepulveda Boulevard
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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.
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.